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From the Editor's Desk:

I am pleased to report that Fred and Leila Kayal will be hosting another great Christmas party this year. Bring a desert, and a "Chinese" gift, if you wish to participate in this unusual gift exchange. The party begins 6:30 pm, at Fred and Leila's, 9 Ohenyaheah Place, in Danbury. Please let Fred know how many people you are bringing so they can plan, accordingly. Do not miss this event. It is a wonderful fellowship activity.

Yours in Rotary Service, Ralph

Tary's Rotary Minute:

While the Great Danbury Fair was still a part of the landscape, our club had a booth stocked with kids toys, and other assorted items. What was left over we sold at our luncheon at cost. We apparently sold out. I'm not sure how well we did, but it probably was not a highly profitable fund



raiser, since we did not repeat it the following year.

Area Make-ups

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Mon.	12:15 pm,	Norwalk, Norwalk Inn
Mon.	6:15 pm,	Newtown, Newtown Country Club
Tues.	12:00 pm,	Westport, Branson Hall at Christ and Holy
		Trinity Church
Wed.	12:15 pm,	Danbury, Ethan Allen Inn, Danbury
Wed	6:15 pm	Ridgefield Dinner Club, Stonehenge Rest.,
		35 Stonehenge Rd (off of Rt 7) Ridgefield
Fri	7:30 am	Westport Sunrise, The Westport Inn
Fri.	12:15 pm,	Wilton, Marly's Bistro

Upcoming Speakers-

- 11/22 Sharon Gialo, on Photo Archiving and Organization. Note: The Lions will joing us for their annual Thanksviving fellowship event.
- 11/29 Off Site Meeting at Anne's Place. We will meet at 12:15 pm, at 80 Saw Mill Road, in Danbury.
- 12/6 Our Annual Raffle. Please have your tickets and cash in a week before the raffle, and SELL, SELL, SELL.



Michael Sauvageau, owner of Noteworthy **Chocolates in Bethel, Sells Laser Inscribed** Chocolates, and they are Delicious:





The talk was impressive, and the product outstanding. So, what is so special about Noteworthy chocolates? It turns out, a whole lot is special. Michael came up with a product no one before had thought about—laser inscribed chocolates, which can serve as greeting cards, Christmas cards, and even thank you notes to

friends and colleagues. One of their first clients was the Danbury



High School, class of 1951, which had engraved chocolates made for their 65th reunion.

The gift box is unique, complete with a small bar of blank chocolate if you want to save the message—and it can be shipped nationwide in a container with a built



in ice packet.

Four sizes are available. from certificates to medallion size. They

are great for businesses, and weddings.

A pleasant surprise were chocolate medallion patties, with the Rotary logo, handed out to the entire club, a sweet ending to the presentation.

The company is a 213 Greenwood Ave, in Bethel, and Michael can be contacted at 203-456-6894 for any orders

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Keeper of the Cards, Bob Vetter holds the Winning Ticket again, but (alas) Pulls a Losing Card:

As we noted last week, holding the deck apparently does not increase one's chance of bringing home the big bucks—but does it increase one's chances of holding the winning ticket? Hmmm. Still, a win is a win no matter how small. Better luck next time, card keeper. We're all pulling for you, but not so much.



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Sad Note:

Mike Malone of the Westerners has died. Contact John Murphy or Ray Kish regarding donations to the ball club that can be made in his name.

Bob Vetter is selling poinsettias for the Women's Club again this year. They are reasonable and beautiful. Check out what is available by contacting Bob.

Compliments are appreciated:





Sometimes the identity of the food is not apparent:





Pres. Frank with SOTM

Our **Student of the Month** hails from Abbott Tech, and she is a remarkable young woman. Guidance Counselor Fran Chappa introduced us to Samantha LaBarbara, indicating that she has a 4.3 GPA, seems to have joined and participated in nearly every organization on

campus, is active in sports, is in the National Honor Society, is a Sr. Ambassador, and will be attending one of the state colleges in the fall. In addition to Fran Chappa, her father, mother, and twin sister accompanied her to the meeting—and got to sample some of our primary speaker's fine chocolate.

