

# The Spoke

## Rotary Club of Danbury

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District 7980

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### From the Editor's Desk:

#### A Family Gift that Could Break the Bank--

Thinking about Tim and Jen Seibert's son John's affection for Disneyworld and Indiana Jones, I came across an obit of a man who died leaving 53 grandchildren and 98 great grandchildren. Now what if this man had decided to take all of them (including both parents) to Disneyworld as a Christmas gift, and further



Decided to buy a day pass *John's Grungy Indiana Jones Gloves* for each to all four theme parks. I calculated the bill, and it would come out to be \$39,780, and that doesn't include transportation, meals and lodging. Paying for a picnic in the park would clearly be cheaper. I would opt for a whale watch tour on a large cattle boat. In any case, all parties would need name tags, of course.

Yours in Rotary Service, Ralph

### Tary's Rotary Minute:



During the Christmas Holidays, the specter of an increase in DUIs occurs. Holiday cheer can end in holiday disaster. In 1983, responding to the need to decrease drinking and driving, Ridgefield High School with some help from Ridgefield Rotary, formed " Safe Ride." The program operated on Friday and



Saturday, from 10:00 PM to 3:00 AM and provided a safe ride home for those clearly in need of a sober driver. This was a free and confidential service, and probably resulted in fewer DUIs and alcohol related accidents during that time period.

Yours in Rotary Service, Tary

#### Speakers-

1/16/19 Lindy Cyr, Habitat for Humanity  
1/23/19 Speaker needed; suggestions accepted

#### Area Make-ups-

Mon. 12:15 pm, Norwalk, Norwalk Inn  
Mon. 6:15 pm, Newtown, Newtown Country Club  
Tues. 12:00 pm, Wpt, Branson Hall at Christ and Holy Trinity Church  
Wed. 12:15 pm, Danbury, Ethan Allen Inn, Danbury  
Wed 6:15 pm Ridgefield Dinner Club, Bernard's, 20 West Lane, Ridgefield  
Fri 7:30 am Westport Sunrise, The Westport Inn  
Fri. 12:15 pm, Wilton, Marly's Bistro

# Happy New Year!



No meeting today; It is "digest the Christmas meal" day.

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