

The Spoke

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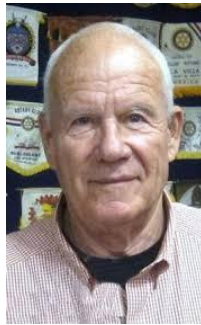
From the Editor's Desk:

Unfortunately our trip to Roger's Park to see the Westerners was postponed, but the District Gavel Dinner did proceed as planned. Tary and Bob will be providing a verbal report of the event at the next meeting. I missed the event—the first time in years. It is always a very special occasion. Our next president is still fairly close to us in physical distance, so I assume we will be seeing him more often than a DG more remote. We hope so. We will all look forward to meeting Jack Solomon, and hearing his message for the upcoming Rotary year.

Yours in Rotary Service, Ralph

Tary's Rotary Minute:

Rotary Members: The success of Rotary does not depend on the numbers of members we take into our club or on their business, professional or social status. Rotary's success depends on the kind of members we add. Above all, our club must be composed of men and women of goodwill who are willing to embrace our motto SERVICE ABOVE SELF. The top person in his field may glorify Rotary, but the right person serves it.



Yours in Rotary Service, Tary

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

Amber Alerts:

7/27 and 28 Vilage Fair Days, N, Milford, CT
10/5 9 am-1 pm Home Depot, Danbury

Rotary Club of Danbury Officers 2019-20

President-	Allison Fulton
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Sergeant at Arms-	Edward Walsh
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Dr. Mark Havira	Tim Seibert
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Jack Solomon Becomes our New District Governor: Larry Gardner Brings his Wife into the Paul Harris Fellowship--



Jack Solomon of the East Hampton Rotary Club has now accepted the gavel, making him the next District Governor of Rotary District 7980. We wish him the best, and hope to give him our total support. We hear the event was festive, Larry Gardner gave his wife Sharon a

Paul Harris Fellowship, and the setting was magnificent. Hail to our new chief, Jack!



Larry prepares for his departure. We wish him well.

A Prominent July Birthday--Princess Diana: Born July 1, 1961: Died August 31, 1997--

August 31, 1997 Jane and I were in a plane heading for London when the pilot came on the intercom and told us of the death of Diana, Prince of Wales. The following week was surreal, as the flowers and tributes piled up head high around Harrods and Buckingham Palace. We watched



the funeral with thousands of grieving Londoners on several jumbo-tron screens set up in Central Park before leaving town. Di's favorite quote of mine is truly in the spirit of Rotary: "Carry out a random act of kindness with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you." We rarely find ourselves in the middle of historical events, but this was surely one of them.

Photo is of a beautiful chalk drawing by a sidewalk artist I photographed in London's Covent Garden in September of 1997.