

The Spoke

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From the Editor's Desk:

The Spoke Photo Caption Contest is a gift that keeps on giving. Check out page 3, and have a chuckle or two. We'll have to do it again. I could start a weekly column with a picture that needed captions, but I don't know how many would respond. I'll give it a try in a few weeks. In the meantime, enjoy the captions we received.

Ralph

Tary's Rotary Minute:



In 1964, the Rotary Club of Danbury began a search to find a new place for our luncheon. We settled on the Eldorado restaurant because it had the best parking. The fee was set at \$1.50, which would be the equivalent of \$8.50 now—quite a bargain even in today's dollars. Of course the pandemic has reduced the cost of the luncheon to zero, there is no expense for gas, and parking isn't required. However, we are still meeting on Zoom, so catch us virtually each Wednesday, at Noon, via the net. The Zoom meeting number 621257872. I'll see you all there. Attire is totally casual, masks are not required, just check your background and lighting, and voice-only is acceptable.

Tary

The Four Way Test
Rotary



1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Our Meeting was Virtual Again.

The following individuals attended our virtual luncheon today:

Barry Rickert, Jeff Kass, Marvin Paige, Frank Scahill, Kristen Keil and daughter, Perry Salvagne, Jim Gargan, Tary Tarlton. Peter Maier, Ralph Welsh and Bob Vetter. Mark Havira was voice, only.



Not all were well this past month we just found out. Perry Salvagne and his wife picked up the virus, but are now both feeling fine. Unfortunately he picked the bug up after giving his son a hug while here in CT, then passed it on to his wife after going to South Carolina. No one else has been sick. Mark added a bit of discomfort telling us about 2 cases of the bubonic plague out west.

We're moving ahead with the virtual raffle, but there are a lot of things that will need to be done.

Everyone stay well, and keep in touch.

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Allison is shown giving Covid-19 masks to Donna Gleissner of Blue Sky Behavior Health.

Food for Thought:

-Mountain climbers claim that they climb a mountain simply because it is there. Apparently that's the primary determiner of how most people choose a mate.

-If you really love the taste of a hot dog, don't fill the bun with mustard and ketchup.

-Golf essentially involves taking a stick, hitting a little ball with it until it falls into a hole, then repeating this action. What makes golf compelling is the variety of clubs you can use, the uniqueness of individual golf courses--and most of all those tall glasses of cold beer after completing a round.



-Having a child who has graduated from college gives you the right to brag. Remember, those bragging rights were really expensive.

-Since I paper trained my dog, he has read the New York Times every day.

-No animal should jump up on the dining room furniture unless it is absolutely certain that he can hold his own in the conversation. *Fran Lebowitz*



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Periodically, critters show up in the yard that we've never seen before. They include an Indigo Bunting, rare in Connecticut, an odd little bright green bug that landed on our deck, who then

quickly flew away, and a predatory lady bug stalking an unusual red eyed caterpillar. With the pandemic, I'm looking through the windows a lot more. After "Birder" Caryl Lucchesi was sent a photo of the little blue bunting, she commented, "What a beautiful bird! You must have been stunned to see him at the feeder and I appreciate your sharing the photo."



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More Great Photo Captions, and a Correction--

Wayne won 1st and that was right, but Frank was 2nd with photo of Marvin, & Chris 3rd, with Carole's curly hair. Oops!

The captions to this photo were all really good. They were:

- Who says you are the boss? *Chris Curtis*
- I am the boss! *Barry Rickert*
- No. *Delia Espinal*
- Do I know you? *Bonnie Kish*
- I remember an oil fire back in '98. *Frank Scahill*. This would have probably won 1st place had Frank written that the oil fire was in 1898. Still it was worth a few chuckles with Ed being an oil guy and Barry being a fire marshal.

The caption to this photo, by *Allison Fulton*, barely missed the cut: "I heard Magic Mike III is coming out soon." For the uninformed, Magic Mike is a story about male strippers. Other responses:

- You ate the garbanzo beans, Allison. *Frank Scahill*
- Who? *Delia Espinal*
- Can I get a word in? *Bonnie Kish*
- Bankers Anonymous? *Barry Rickert*
- I think I just found a worm. *Chris Curtis*
- This time I am VP for life! *Wayne Curtis*

We also loved the captions for this one of John and Caryl Lucchesi::

- I am the queen of clubs, not spades. *Frank Scahill*
- How come you lost? *Caryl Lucchesi* Yes John. Caryl is our queen. *Bonnie Kish*
- Supposed to pull the queen of hearts. *Allison Fulton*

Some of our best captions were in response to this photo of Mark and Tary:

- I was the 1980 arm wrestling champion of Rotary. *Frank Scahill*
- I hold my rifle this way and can't wait to pull the trigger! *Wayne Curtis*
- Are "U" serious. *Barry Rickert*
- No way! *Delia Espinal*
- It's not a punching bag. *Chris Curtis*
- Mark telling Tary how he beat up a wild animal in his yard. *Allison Fulton*.
- Doesn't Mark know I can't take another fish story? *Bonnie Kish*

The photo of Allison off in thought garnered the following captions:

- When will I ever learn to say no! *Wayne Curtis*
- Wonderland. *Delia Espinal* *Doesn't Mark know I can't take another fish story?* *Bonnie Kish*
- You make me feel like dancing. *Chris Curtis*
- Back to the future. *Barry Rickert*
- I wish I was running again. *Frank Scahill*

Delia's smug pose created the following captions:

- What have I gotten myself into? *Wayne Curtis*
- For God sakes, pay me attention! *Chris Curtis*
- Hmm. *Delia Espinal*. Can someone help me get the epoxy off my lips. *Bonnie Kish*
- I did not do that. *Frank Scahill*
- Life is beautiful. *Barry Rickert*
- Don't say that in Rotary. *Delia Espinal*. But our favorite was:
-I am Miss Smarty Pants! *Chris Curtis* (this was 4th place)

