

# Milford Rotary Chat February 9, 2023



## [Meeting Minutes: 2/2/23](#)

Don got us started with the pledge.  
Dave covered us with the prayer.  
Espo (yes he was there) did the 4-way-test.

### **Guests:**

Guest and speaker was Scott Erickson who is the animal control officer for Milford and Orange.

### **Do Good:**

Don went out to visit his sister in California and while out there he did a little business. Carrie said the Oyster Fest donated \$750.00 to us.  
Tad convinced his daughter that she should join Edward Jones. Now he wants to convince her to move from Arizona to Connecticut.  
Tom Maier's chant for us was "FLY EAGLES FLY". He took Dan German to a game.  
Dave is happy for the Frank Perry fundraiser. Frank should be there. He is starting to get out but he is not working right now. It is good he is getting some aid.  
Frosty is happy to see Dr. Esposito with us today. He is a busy man. Happy also to see Frank is getting out. He went to the Stonebridge fund raiser. It was a wine tasting featuring Bosnian wine. He and Nancy had a good time. They saw BJ and Jeff there. The club should benefit about \$1000.  
Dave was happy to be here. He was reading minutes from a Rotary meeting from 1937. They had Frosty listed as the president.  
Lorna is happy with how the Frank fund raiser is going. So far they sold about 100 tickets. There will be raffles, door prizes and food.  
Don told us about the Cornerstone project. Rev. Evalyn Wakhusama is speaking about the Nambale Magnet School in Kenya. The event is Feb 3rd 7-9 at The First United Church of Christ. This is the school we supported and helped to be built a couple of years back.

## Speaker:

Scott Erickson from the Milford Animal Control

Scott said they are there to help support the law. If there is a situation where animals are involved and they are complicating the situation, he is called in to control the animals so the rest of the situation can be dealt with. An example is a person has a heart attack and his dog is there preventing emergency personnel from getting to the patient, He is called in to control the animal so care can be given to the heart attack victim. He may have to find a home for the animal if the owner passes. Mostly he deals with dogs and cats. There have been some exotics but not often. They don't have any guns just a snare pole, so he is not equipped to deal with large wild game i.e., bears, mountain lions, etc. They have functioned as a food bank in the past for Milford residents. You can donate food at the center. Someone asked about feral cats and he said the problem is still there but it has calmed down some. The kennel can hold about 28 dogs and 20 cats but right now there are 4 dogs and 3 cats. Max fee for an animal is \$155.00 to cover cost of care. Possibly they spayed the female and give shots. They are not a Vet office and you can't go there for shots or other animal care. They don't euthanize animals unless they are hopelessly injured or sick.

Dave Esposito gave us an update of his wrestling world and how the team is doing.

## Announcements:

There is a board meeting at Mike Granata's house this Thursday the 16th. Food at 5:30 and meeting starts at 6:00.

The Lobster Bake first meeting is this Wednesday the 15th at 6:00 at the United Way office (I think).

Feb 22nd is the next organizational meeting for the 100 year anniversary celebration. It will be at Win's office behind the Milford Bank at 6:00.

*Greg Schmitt*

Board Meeting the second Thursday, 5:30 PM social, 6 PM meeting – every month unless noted otherwise

### Who's Who for the 2022-2023 Rotary Year

| Officers:                      | Sergeant-At-Arms: Frank Perry                           | 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Board of Dir: | 2nd Year Board of Dir: |
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| President – Don Wetmore        | Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms: Mike Granata                | Gary Johnson                       | Dave Adams             |
| President-Elect – Tad Smith    | Treasurer: Tracy O'Brien                                | Darcy Lapp-Rabinowitz              | Jill McGoldrick        |
| Vice President – Phil Ucci III | Asst Treasurer: Youssef Boutros                         | Bill Parry                         | Sam Bergami            |
| Secretary - Lorna Sura         | Carrie Reed (Immediate Past President)                  | Frank Perry                        | BJ Frazier             |
| Club Historian- Ken Hawkins    | Beth-El meal leaders- Shaileen Landsberg and Lorna Sura |                                    |                        |

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*Love may not make the world go round, but I must admit that it makes the ride worthwhile.*

*-Sean Connery*