

Milford Rotary Chat February 29, 2024



Meeting Minutes: 2/22/23 Kimberly

Welcome:

Tad was multi-tasking. He was President, Sargent-At-Arms and said The Pledge.
The 4 way test was read and
Dan did a nice job with the prayer.

Guests:

No visiting Rotarians. Our guest and speaker for the day was Susan Thomas.

Do Good:

Dan was here fresh off a trip to Florida for 2 1/2 weeks. He went to a Trump reception. He said the place was beautiful and amazing. He is a big Trump fan and was even able to get pretty close to him.

Phil is going to a PETS (Presidents Elect Training Seminar) meeting in Boston in 2 weeks.

Tad won't be here for 2 weeks. He is going to France.

Dave E said Foran High School Wrestling (Dave is the Coach) is ending for the season and they came in third in the State. He said they have been first, second or third for the past 10 years and that has never been done before.

Carrie said she has been working on the invites for the Gala with Paul and Jenn. Check your e-mails for the invites.

Tad thanked Carrie for all her hard work.

Lise sent a text that she thought Win was going to breath fire and grow horns during his rant about having a band at the Rotary Gala. Sorry I missed it. Consensus was Win needs to start drinking.

Speaker

Susan Thomas who is the assistant director of the Milford library for the last 2 years and before that she was the Children's librarian for 20 years. Their goal is to inspire learning and growth. They have something for everyone and there is free access. The digital library is open 24/7. They have over 120,000 books on the shelves and all kinds of media. They have ebooks also but these are limited and they are cost prohibitive. They also have 3 agents that are trained in passports. There are private rooms which can be booked for meetings. Friends of Milford Library funds 100% of activities. It is a 501 C3 organization and 100% volunteer

run. Their budget is a little over 1 million dollars. The children's library is the busiest part of the library. They have a 15 person staff and it was stated they have the most friendly and helpful staff in the city.

Announcements:

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW Carrie Reed and Lise Robinson’s Video Interview on Channel 8 News with Ann Nyberg on February 21st regarding Milford Rotary’s 100 years of service and the 100th Anniversary GALA!](#)

2/29 is the fifth Thursday at Orange Alehouse at 6:00. Pool tables, darts etc.

3/7 our lunch will be at Platt Tech on Orange Ave at noon (Not at the Kimberly) Meal is still \$20. Please Check in, we need a head count.

3/13 is the next 100 year anniversary meeting at Win's office at 6:00.

3/19 is the next Lobster bake meeting. Should be at United Way at 5:00. Need all committee heads please.

4/21 Next Shred Event from 9-12 (setup at 8:15) at Spectrum. We need sponsors. Business card ads are \$75 and full sponsor is \$250.

4/27 - 100th Anniversary Gala – Grassy Hill Country Club – 6-10PM. There will be a program with business card ads for \$75. The event will be \$110/ ticket and the meal will be surf and turf. Carrie is taking reservations.

6/9 – 5K Run in the Park at Eisenhower Park in the morning.

6/27 is the installation for the next Group of Rotary Officers at Grassy Hill

7/27 – Milford Rotary’s Annual Lobster Bake – all hands on deck for Wed through Sunday

Next board meeting is 3/14 at Phil U house. Food at 5:30 and meeting at 6:00.

Cheri is doing a silent auction at the Gala. Please bring a bottle of booze for the wheelbarrow or maybe make a gift basket.

Greg Schmitt

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

Who’s Who for the July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024 Rotary Year

Officers:	Sergeant-At-Arms: Carrie Reed	1 st Year Board of Dir:	2nd Year Board of Dir:
President – Tad Smith	Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms: Mike Granata	BJ Frazier	Gary Johnson
President-Elect – Phil Ucci III	Treasurer: Adam Kasowitz	Mike Granata	Dracy Lapp-Rabinowitz
Vice President – Lorna Sura	Asst Treasurer: Tracy O’Brien	Jill McGoldrick	Bill Parry
Secretary – Bill Parry	Don Wetmore (Immediate Past President)		Frank Perry
Club Historian- Ken Hawkins	Beth-El meal leaders- Shaileen Landsberg and Lorna Sura		Don Wetmore (IPP)

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Sometimes your only transportation is a leap of faith.

-Margaret Shepard