

Milford Rotary Chat March 21, 2024



Meeting Minutes: 3/14/24
Kimberly Diner
12:15PM



Welcome:

Greg got us started with the Pledge.
Matt handled the Prayer.
Needless to say, Paul plowed through the 4-Way-Test.

Guests:

There were no visiting Rotarians or Guests.

Do Good:

Don W told us that Armond Katafeo's wife has passed away. He also went to the PETS (President Elect Training Seminar) meeting with Phil last week. He will be going to California with his favorite (and only) sister.
Tad was in France for 2 weeks with his 2 daughters. The people were very nice but the food was terrible. They saw the Normandy landing sites, huge craters, gun sites and all. It was amazing.
Phil said he was having the board meeting at his house later that night. He enjoyed PETS. He found out there are many clubs celebrating their 100 year anniversary. He said compared to other clubs, we are doing very well.
Ray said they had a successful Beth El last weekend where they served 55 dinners. 2 other Rotarians showed up, Dan and Jill. Great job guys.

Proposed New Member:

Jorge Santiago

Speaker:

Don gave a district info message. There are about 60 clubs in district 7980 (our district). It is a 4 year process to go through to get to be district governor (it is very sobering). There is a lot of training. PETS stands for President Elect Training Seminar. Stephanie Urchick who is the President Elect for Rotary International was at the last PETS meeting. Her message was the importance of networking through Rotary. 4/20 is the District Assembly at Trumbull Marriot. They are having the 4-Way-Test competition finalists. 5/3-5/4 is the Multi-District Assembly.
Phil said it was interesting to see how other clubs work and they come in all shapes and sizes. His goal is to push for club growth. For new members, the first 2 years determine if the member stays and is active or do they drop out. He would like to see a mentorship program to help new members become active.

Announcements:

3/19 is the next Lobster Bake meeting. They want section leaders to attend.

4/3 is the next 100 Year Anniversary Gala meeting at Win's office at 6:00PM

4/18 Boys and Girls Club Gala at Red Line Restoration in Bridgeport. Dan and Don are getting a table together

4/21 Next Shred Event at Spectrum setup at 8:15 Event is 9-12

4/27 - 100th Anniversary Gala – Grassy Hill Country Club – 6-10PM. This is not a fund raiser. We just want to cover costs and have a great night. Call Carrie or Win for your tickets. Call Carrie to place a business card ad in the brochure. Cheri is organizing a silent auction, looking for gift baskets or a bottle of wine/liquor.

6/9 – 5K Run in the Park at Eisenhower Park in the morning – start training!

6/27 is the installation for the next Group of Rotary Officers at Grassy Hill. Event will have a cash bar and dinner tickets are \$60 each.

7/27 – Milford Rotary's Annual Lobster Bake plus the days around it. We could use volunteers, please start asking. This year we may offer Lobster Rolls. We need more sponsors and more guests.

Greg Schmitt



The Milford Rotary Club of Milford, Connecticut is proud to announce the date of our 100th Anniversary Gala. It will be held on April 27th 2024 at the Grassy Hill Country Club from 6 to 10PM. Tickets are available [Click Below!](#)

[*Purchase Tickets*](#)

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)

Your Rotary Chat Team: Scribes: Greg Schmitt & Win Smith, Jr Setting/Editing/Circulation: Tom Margius

Milford Rotary, PO Box 381, Milford, CT www.milfordrotary.org

When all at once I saw a crowd, A host, of golden daffodils, Beside the lake, beneath the trees, Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

-William Wordsworth