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Fourteen Rotarians gathered to feast on a delicate pasta bathed in a succulent Bolognese sauce, spread good cheer and be informed by speaker Cynthia Roy on the work of the Regional Hospice and Palliative Care.

**Announcements:**

- The Club Board met on January 19. Bud reports "everything is good." The club's first half grants were awarded. Among the grants awarded were grants to the high school debate team, an orphanage in Guatemala and a matching grant with the Norwalk Rotary Club. The club continues to seek out new potential fundraisers. Please contact Bud with any proposals. The next board meeting will be February 16.
- The District's Presidents Elect Gathering took place in early January. Our President Elect, Christene, continues to excel.
- Paul B. had the winning raffle ticket but drew one of the thirty-one wrong cards. Who can blame him?

**Upcoming Events:**

4/1/17 — District 7980 Training Assembly

4/28-30/17 — Rotary District Conference

5/14/17 – Paul B's Birthday

6/10-14/17 — RI Convention, Atlanta

**Program: Cynthia Roy, President, Regional Hospice and Palliative Care.**

Wilton native, Cynthia Roy, Regional Hospice and Palliative Care President and CEO, described how the non-profit has developed over the past 30 years. With growing appreciation of the services available through hospice care, Regional Hospice now operates a 36,000 square foot facility in Danbury. The facility provides flexible end of life care with private rooms for patients and families. The Regional Hospice operates 24/7 serving primarily residents of Fairfield, Litchfield and New Haven counties. Patients from other areas are also welcome. Palliative care is offered for those who chose to remain in-home. Currently, the center provides in-home support for 225 patients. Bereavement and support services are also offered. The Regional Hospice has many volunteer and giving opportunities.

***NEXT MEETING – Friday, January 27, 2017 – 12:15 at Marly's***