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Eleven Rotarians met in the Rolling Hills CC boardroom on a chilly but sunny afternoon with President Christene Freedman presiding.

Guests/Visitors

David Freedman (Newtown club); Megan Morris (prospective member); Phil Sharlach (Westport Sunrise club and prospective member, see below); Bob Greene (Norwalk club); and Christine Paine (Milford club and today's speaker).

Announcements:

1. Membership Proposal: In accordance with Club bylaws, the following prospective member is hereby proposed for membership in the Rotary Club of Wilton:

- a. Name: Phil Sharlach
- b. Residence: Wilton
- c. Current Rotary affiliation: Rotary Club of Westport - Sunrise
- d. Classification: Retired

If anyone wishes to comment on or oppose this membership proposal, please do so within the next seven (7) days to the Club secretary. If no comments are received by 19 October, then Phil's membership will be confirmed.

2. Chamber of Commerce Hallowe'en Hustle 5K: Sunday morning, 28 October. The Club will man a water station at the finish line.

3. Westport Rotary Oktoberfest: Tuesday, 23 October, 5:30 PM, Westport-Weston YMCA Rotary Pavilion; Wilton Rotarians and families are invited. If interested in attending, either let Christene know or email Leslie Wolf at Leslie2of8@gmail.com

4. Red Sox – Yankees Rivalry is over for the Season (sorry Bud)! Red Sox fans now have their sights set on making the World Series by beating the Houston Astros in the American League Championship Series (currently tied 1-1!).

5. Wilton to Host Candidate Forum Tuesday, 16 October, from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Middlebrook School auditorium: GOOD Morning Wilton is teaming up with the Wilton League of Women Voters (LWV) and the Wilton Library to co-sponsor a CT State Legislative Candidate Forum for the State Senate District 26, and the State House Districts 125 and 143. The forum will bring together on one stage the candidates in each of the races for those districts: candidates for Senate District 26–Toni Boucher (R) and Will Haskell (D); candidates for House District 125–Tom O’Dea (R) and Ross Tartell (D); and candidates for House District 143–Gail Lavielle (R) and Stephanie Thomas (D). All six candidates have confirmed they will attend and participate in the forum.

6. News from RI: Leading Indian hotelier named Rotary International president
Evanston, IL – Oct. 1. Sushil Kumar Gupta, chair and managing director of Asian Hotels (West) Ltd. and owner of Hyatt Regency Mumbai and JW Marriott Hotel New Delhi Aerocity, will begin his one-year term as president of Rotary International on 1 July 2020. Gupta, a Rotarian for 41 years, is a member of the Rotary Club of Delhi Midwest. As head of Rotary’s global network of 35,000 clubs, Gupta aims to increase the organization’s humanitarian impact and club member diversity.

Today’s Program:

Our guest speaker was Christine Paine, Director of Development at the Caroline House in Bridgeport. The Caroline House was founded by the Atlantic-Midwest Province of School Sisters of Notre Dame in November 1995. Its mission is to “help underprivileged women and children in Bridgeport reach their full potential though education in the English language and life skills.” Christine, a member of the Milford Rotary Club, is a full-time staff member responsible for community outreach and fundraising. The House provides a number of programs and services for mothers and their children, including a pre-school, English as a second language instruction, citizenship classes, after-school, tutoring, summer enrichment, and support services. For more information, visit <http://www.thecarolinehouse.org/>

NEXT MEETING – Friday, 19 October, 1215, at Rolling Hills CC