



The Rotary Club of the Torrington and Winsted Areas

Tuesday's Today!

Last Week's Program:

Robert Rovezzi introduced us to author Peter Lion who was a very engaging and animated speaker! He gave us a little background about himself and told us the process he went through to write the wonderful account in the "American St. Nick."

It is the "true story of how a handful of American soldiers brought Christmas back to a small war-torn town during the darkest days of World War II." He related many interesting anecdotes about the story and how in the town of Wiltz Luxembourg, the procession of St. Nick through the town is still annually recreated to this day, to include St. Nick actually posing in a WWII vintage jeep.

It's an incredible story, and Peter's retelling of it and his process was equally captivating and timely. Rather than insufficiently paraphrase his presentation, I've included here an excellent hour-long movie which details the story very well and which features Peter. It makes for heartwarming holiday viewing:

[Watch American Saint Nick \(2015\) Full Movie Free Online Streaming | Tubi \(tubitv.com\)](#)

We thank Peter for his presentation and Robert for bringing him to us.

This Week's Program:

Please... one and all. Join us for this week's meeting which will be another opportunity for us to share in some pre-Christmas Rotary fellowship. It's a weekly light spot in an otherwise dark time for our society and world.

Topic: Regular Rotary Tuesday Meeting

Please note: you may be required to enter the passcode below after launching Zoom

Time: Tuesday December 15, 2020 12:10 PM

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89424828923>

Meeting ID: 894 2482 8923

Passcode: 702744

OR, using your phone:

Dial in: 1-646-558-8656

Meeting ID: 894 2482 8923

Passcode: 702744

Scheduled Committee Meetings:

Board meeting, Thursday, January 14, at 8am via Zoom. Board members will receive an email with the contact info.

Torrington/Winsted Rotary News and Reminders:

- Sadly, especially at this time of year, we have to report that our fellow Rotarian Steve Zarella has lost his dad. We extend our sincere sympathies to Steve and his family. Please see the following link for Mr. Zarella's arrangements: <https://www.chaseparkwaymemorial.com/obituary/joseph-zarella>

If you wish to extend your sentiments directly to Steve his contact info is: zarrella@nwcommunitybank.com and the phone there is: 860-379-7561.

- Also sadly, we must report the passing of a former Torrington Rotarian who will be remembered by many. Paul Pagano was a long-time member and will be missed! He passed in Providence RI where he had been living. No further details are available at press time but will be forwarded on as soon as possible.
- On Wednesday night, some of us enjoyed the annual Rotary Holiday party! There were cocktails, funny holiday hats, and typical Rotary camaraderie and fellowship.



- Our delivery of food to both FISH and the Community Soup Kitchen continues. Thank you to those members who have willingly helped with deliveries. If you see any dates below on which you might make a delivery, please let Matt know at mnpdc@outlook.com
- Pete Paradise, you're up this week!

Date	Organization	Contact	Packaging Type	Rotarian for Pick-Up (12:00pm)
December 22	Community Soup Kitchen	Lisa Hageman 860.480.1510	40 to freeze	Pete Paradise
December 29	FISH	Deirdre DiCara 860.482.7300	20 Individual/20 To Freeze	Pete Paradise
January 5	Community Soup Kitchen	Lisa Hageman 860.480.1510	40 to freeze	Christina Emery

Birthdays:

Coutant Skinner, Maria.....16 December

Rougeot, Paul.....31 December

Steck, Jim.....29 December

Club Anniversaries:

Cerruto, Glady.....12/22/87.....33 years
DiCarlo, Brenda.....12/20/16.....6 years
Finch, Frank.....12/17/62.....58 years
Gueniat, Jess.....12/04/18.....2 years
Healey, Jason.....12/04/19.....1 year
Menard, Michael.....12/05/17.....3 years
Todd, Gordon.....12/22/81.....39 years

Upcoming guest speaker responsibilities:

Owen Quinn.....December 22, 2020
Frank Ramsey.....December 29,2020
Paul Rougeot.....January 5, 2021
Guy Rovezzi.....January 12, 2021
Pat Power.....January 19, 2021
JoAnn Ryan.....January 26, 2021
Ryan, Bill.....Tuesday, February 2, 2021
Open.....Tuesday, February 9, 2021
Serio, Tony.....Tuesday, February 16, 2021
Smith, Jeff.....Tuesday, February 23, 2021
Steck, Jim.....Tuesday, March 2, 2021
Suhanovsky, Susan.....Tuesday, March 9, 2021

If your presenter will require the projector and the screen to be set up, please let Matt know ASAP. Also, please let your presenter know that if there's any concerns about the functionality of their presentation, an option is for them to email any presentation they may have to Matt ahead of time who can install their presentation on his laptop to minimize potential complications.

It is your responsibility to introduce your speaker.

Please inform the speaker of the following guidelines of The Rotary Club of the Torrington & Winsted Areas:

- They will have at most ½ hour to do their presentation. Including time for questions.
- It is not the policy of the Club to donate funds raised from the Sergeant-at-Arms presentation to the organization represented by the speaker on the day of the presentation.
- Further, an invitation to make a presentation to The Rotary Club of the Torrington & Winsted Areas does not suggest that the Club endorses the presenter's views - political or otherwise.
- The Rotary Club of the Torrington & Winsted Areas does not provide an honorarium or reimburse a speaker in any way and a presentation to the Club should not be made with an expectation of financial support.

Torrington/Winsted Rotary Links:

Website: <http://twrotary.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TWRotary/>

Rotary Web-Photo Albums: [Web Photo Albums](#)

“Be more kind than necessary, for everyone you will meet today is fighting some sort of battle.”

-K. Purcell

Respectfully submitted, your temporary scribe,

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