



The Rotary Club of the Torrington and Winsted Areas Tuesday's Today!

Last Week's Program:

Deirdre introduced Peg Shimer - Site Administrator of the Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden in Bethlehem, CT.

For the past 4 years, Peg Shimer has served as the Site Administrator of the Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden in Bethlehem, CT. The Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden is an historic house museum which tells the story of service to the community by the occupants for over the past 230 years. Each (non-pandemic) year, the site sees 5,000 visitors who are eager to hear the remarkable stories of the house's residents. It is also one of nine historic homes operated by CT Landmarks.

Peg spent a considerable amount of her talk telling us about Caroline Ferriday and how this singular woman championed a group of Polish women who in World War II, while held in Ravensbruck Concentration Camp were the subject of medical experimentation by the Nazis. She lobbied to have the women brought to the states for medical evaluations and treatment and in 1958 succeeded. Here's a video of Caroline Ferriday's fight to bring the "Rabbits of Ravensbruck" to America:

<https://vimeo.com/227314413>

Peg also told us a bit about the house itself and how it was the home of multiple generations of a unique family. It was an engaging and interesting talk and we thank Peg for visiting with us and Deirdre for bringing her to us.

More info regarding the House, and the Bellamy and Ferriday families can be found here:

<https://ctlandmarks.org/properties/bellamy-ferriday-house-garden/>

This Week's Program:

Our club wide membership initiative continues. This week Membership committee chair Jessica Gueniat will moderate a discussion wherein we brainstorm potential new members that we can target. Also on the agenda is the question of if we as a club adopt a new type of membership... the Corporate membership. This type of membership already exists at the Rotary International level and an explanation as to the specifics of it is attached to this email as a pdf.

Those who can't be there in person can log on via Zoom:

Time: Tuesday September 21, 2021 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, October 14, at 8am via Zoom. Board members will receive an email with the contact info.

Torrington/Winsted Rotary News and Reminders:

Here's a reminder about a fundraiser for the Torrington Historical Society that is happening Today!

The Torrington Historical Society

CAR SHOW

Sunday, September 19th, 2021

Rain or Shine

10am - 3pm

Antique and classic autos • special interest vehicles

Car Show Chairman: Glenn Royals



Location and host:
Action Wildlife
RT 4, Goshen, CT



Admission:
\$10 per show vehicle (includes occupants)
\$5 per person, general admission (children under 6 free)

Free admission to Action Wildlife's outdoor zoo and indoor museum!
Plaques for first 150 show vehicles - Door prizes - Awards for best vehicles
Food and beverages available on site
All proceeds benefit the Torrington Historical Society

Our own fellow Rotarian, Maria Gonzales is being honored by the Connecticut Rivers Council of the Boy Scouts of America at their Annual Vale La Pena Awards Breakfast on Friday October 15 at the Country Club of Waterbury where she will have bestowed upon her the Vale La Pena Service Award. It might be nice if some of her fellow Rotarians would be present to help her celebrate this honor. Please see the attached flyer for information regarding the event.

Birthdays:

Rosenstein, Ron.....07 September

Cook, Tim.....9 September

Ryan, JoAnn.....19 September

Serio, Tony.....24 September

Club Anniversaries:

Cook, Tim.....09/01/04.....17 years

Mattiello, Brian.....09/21/10.....11 years

Hall, Lee.....09/30/14.....7 years

Upcoming guest speaker responsibilities:

Jessica Gueniat.....September 21, 2021

Ives-Groebel, Jennifer.....September 28, 2021

Coyle, Cathy.....October 5, 2021

Muschell, Vic.....October 12, 2021

Muschell, Vic..... October 19, 2021

Logan, John R..... October 26, 2021

Open.....November 2, 2021

Magistrali, Michael.....November 9, 2021

Mattiello, Brian..... November 16, 2021

McCormick, Brian.....November 23, 2021

Menard, Michael.....November 30, 2021

Michalowski, Gerald.....December 7, 2021

Muschell, Victor.....December 14, 2021

Myers, Rita..... December 21, 2021

O'Connell, Douglas.....December 28, 2021

If you've scrolled down this far, you're one of my favorite people! Please remember to watch this space weekly so that you can appropriately plan for when it's your time to provide the club with a program/speaker. All of us working together in this regard makes for more interesting meetings and a better, more informed club!

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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