

The Spoke

Rotary Club of Danbury

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District 7980

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From the Editor's Desk:

The next significant district event will be the Changing of the Guard, held at Anthony's Ocean View in New Haven, at 6 pm on June 27th. I hope we can pull together a car pool for this very important event.

Yours in Rotary Service, Ralph

Tary's Rotary Minute:

In 1965 the Rotary Club of Danbury and the Danbury Garden club agreed to collaborate in a tree planting venture. They decided to plant a number of cherry trees that would eventually bloom along the roads of Rogers Park. It was initiated as a part of an overall city plan to beautify the City of Danbury.



Newtown Rotary Has a Golf "Classic" at Tashua Knolls Golf Club in Trumbull, 5/15/17:

Anyone like to get together a foursome to support Newtown's Annual Golf Fundraiser? If you have any questions, contact Joe Hemingway at 203-270-7060.

Speakers:

5/17/17 Chris Klauck, Hat City Cycle Fest
5/24/17/ Dinner at Chuck's
6/7/17 Scholarship Luncheon
6/14/17 Open
6/21/17 Frank Scahill, our new Rotary website
6/28/17 **Passing of the Gavel Dinner, Ridgewood CC, 6:30 pm.**

Amber Alert

6/4/17 Brookfield Fire Dept, 11-3 pm.
6/11/17 69 Stony Hill Road, Bethel, 10-2 pm
7/28/17 New Milford Village Fair Days, 10- 4 pm
7/29/17 New Milford Village Fair Days, 10-4 pm
10/15/17 Haddam/Erlington Back Pack Program, 11-3 pm

Catherine Rose of the Connecticut Alliance of Foster and Adoptive Families Explained the Many Facets of her Agency in Helping Kids:

CAFAP is a non-profit committed to strengthening foster, adoptive and relative caregiver families. It works closely with the child welfare services, and other professionals in the community to provide support, training and advocacy to nurture child safety, contributing to their well being and stability. They assist in open adoption of DCF children, provide information of support groups and resources for children in the community, have a children's Hope Fund helping families to fulfill their hopes and dreams, and back legislative efforts to help foster and adoptive children.



In addition to the above, the CAFAP provides Licensing Training Classes for caregivers, and conducts CPR classes. Three yearly conferences provide information and also have a training component.

The CAFAP has been helping families since 1995 and is seeking financial support. They can be contacted by calling 860-258-3400. They are located in Rocky Hill.

The CAFAP represents another wonderful resource available to those in the community. We salute their resolve.



Our speaker picks the winning raffle ticket—

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And the Winner, then Loser of the Weekly Draw was Editor Ralph:



The pot is now over \$100 and well worth the \$5 chance. But alas, I could not find that elusive winner. Oh well, I won enough for two more chances in the next two meetings. That's something worthwhile.

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Football will be Back Soon, but It leaves a Myriad of Questions Unanswered:

- Is a wide receiver the chubbiest man on the field?
- If I lend the ref a coin for the coin toss, can I be sure I'll get my quarterback?
- When a game goes into overtime, do the players get paid time and a half?
- Since a game goes 4 quarters, isn't that the equivalent of going one dollar?
- Are the hash marks painted with real hash?
- Shouldn't a football be made the shape of a foot?
- Since a touchdown is worth 6 points, shouldn't a touchback subtract 6 points?
- Are refs called zebras only because of their shirts, or are they no brighter than a real zebra?



Visitors for Lunch:
(Left) Tony Vournazos, and (right) Alan Sopir visited the club today. We hope to see these

fine gentlemen in weeks ahead, and hope they like what they see and will consider joining the Rotary Club of Danbury in the future



Fellowship is one of the keystones of our club, and that cheery warm feeling can be seen in the upper photo. In addition, we enthusiastically embrace our speakers, who take valuable time out of their daily activities to speak to our club (lower pic).

