



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

Last Week's Program:

We were the lucky beneficiaries of some wonderful talent when Harmon Steiner was introduced by Rob Rovezzi and shared with us a knowledgeable discussion and entertaining performance.

Mr. Steiner, graduated from The Hartt School, University of Hartford, with Bachelors and Masters in Music, with an emphasis in Suzuki Pedagogy. He loves teaching cello and performing whenever possible. This season he has performed with the Hartford Symphony and the Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra. He teaches at The Hartt School Community Division and has a small group of dedicated students in Litchfield County. For 15 years, he was the director of the Hartt Suzuki Institute.

The subject matter, given the fact that the world just celebrated the 338th birthday of Johan Sebastian Bach, was the cello in the context of Bach's music.

He started off with Bach's Cello suite No. 1 in G Major, Prelude... and proceeded thereafter to dissect that piece and others to explain how by using even just the one instrument, Bach was able to write music which was able to simultaneously convey the theme, melody, and harmony.

Then, we enjoyed the pièce de resistance of the presentation... a duet performed by both Harmon and our own resident virtuoso, Robert Rovezzi which was impressive and fun. Robert by his years of practice and study has become quite accomplished himself!

It was an incredible program and those that missed it truly did themselves a disservice. Included below is a link to a Youtube video of Yo-Yo Ma performing the same piece. YouTube Link:

<https://youtu.be/1prweT95Mo0>

We thank Harmon for the time he was able to spend with us and we thank Robert for bringing him to us!



This Week's Program:

Susan Suhanovsky will be introducing Felicia Ortner, a volunteer at The Humane Organization Representing Suffering Equines (H.O.R.S.E.) of Connecticut Inc.

Felicia is involved with small fundraising efforts for the farm and explains that HORSE is a non-profit, 501(c)3 organization dedicated to the rescue and rehabilitation of abused and neglected horses. Over the past 42 years, H.O.R.S.E. has saved more than 750 lives. In addition to direct intervention, H.O.R.S.E. also maintains an ongoing commitment to educating the public regarding horse care.



As a Rotarian, it's easier to be involved than ever. We are an inclusive club and we're well positioned now for members to join in the meeting either by their direct attendance or by Zooming in. Feel free to participate either way... and know that not participating won't fulfill your requirement to attend at least 60% of the meetings of the Rotary Club of the Torrington and Winsted Areas. Being busy is not an excuse to not attend ... Being busy has been an attribute of active, involved, impactful Rotarians from the Northwest corner for more than 100 years.

Members have the option of attending the meeting in person or via Zoom:

Zoom Login:

Time: Tuesday April 15, 2022 12:10 PM

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

Meeting ID: 894 2482 8923

Passcode: 702744 text

Scheduled Committee Meetings:

- Board meeting, Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 8am via Zoom. Board members will receive an email with the contact info.

Pet Parade:

OVERALL TIMELINE: 85TH ANNUAL PET PARADE...MAY 20, 2023

POSTER BOARD TO SCHOOLS	WEEK OF MARCH 7-8
SCHOOL SPRING VACATIION	APRIL 7- APRIL 14
POSTER DEADLINE DUE DATE	FRIDAY, APRIL 21
PICK UP POSTERS @ SCHOOLS	MONDAY APRIL 24- WEDNESDAY APRIL 26
PARADE ENTRY FORMS TO SCHOOLS	MONDAY APRIL 24- WEDNESDAY APRIL 26
JUDGING ALL SCHOOL POSTERS	THURSDAY APRIL 27 @ TORRINGOTN LIBRARY 5PM
NOTIFY ALL SCHOOL WINNERS	FRIDAY, APRIL 28
DISTRIBUTE POSTERS IN COMMUNITY	FRIDAY APRIL 28- WEDNESDAY MAY 3
JUDGING FOR OVERALL WINNER	TUESDAY MAY 2 @TORRINGTON LIBRARY 5PM
NOTIFY SCHOOLS OF OVERALL WINNER	WEDNESDAY, MAY 3
85 TH ANNUAL ROTARY PET PARADE	SATURDAY, MAY 20 WINSTED @ 2PM

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Golf Tournament:

Didcha get your Golf Points in yet?

Golf Chairman Greg Tonon at the last meeting handed out Golf Packets to all members, the contents of which CLEARLY DELINIATED each of our responsibilities for supporting our Golf Tournament by earning points towards our requirement individually of 8.

The contents of that Golf Packet are attached to this email. Please familiarize yourself with ALL of the attachments and take action sooner rather than later as far as securing your points. Notable is that one of the attachments is a spreadsheet which lists the sponsors which were secured for last year's event.

There is really no reason to let this go on longer than necessary AND securing Golf Tournament sponsorships early will place the club in a good position to fund our charitable giving for the next year. Don't Procrastinate!



For Your Edification:

A lesson in class and restraint:



Astronaut Neil Armstrong, Commander of NASA's Apollo 11 lunar landing mission, inside the Lunar Module the 'Eagle' on the surface of the Moon during the mission, 20th July 1969. (Photo by Space Frontiers/Getty Images)

In October of 2005, a social studies teacher at an Ohio high school wrote to Neil Armstrong with some questions. This was thirty-six years after Armstrong had become the first human to step onto the Moon, his incredible achievement filmed and beamed, live, into the homes of hundreds of millions of people around the world. Alas, despite the broadcast, a surprising number of conspiracy theorists—Mr Whitman included—have for many years **debated the Moon landing**, positing that the footage was in fact filmed in a studio much closer to home, and that the crew of *Apollo 11* failed to get close to the lunar surface. A number of these sceptics wrote to the *Apollo* astronauts, but rarely did they receive a response. Mr Whitman, however, was lucky.

Mr. Whitman,

Your letter expressing doubts based on the skeptics and conspiracy theorists mystifies me.

They would have you believe that the United States Government perpetrated a gigantic fraud on its citizenry. That the 400,000 Americans who worked on an *unclassified* program are all complicit in the deception, and none broke ranks and admitted their deceit.

If you believe that, why would you contact me, clearly one of those 400,000 liars?

I trust that you, as a teacher, are an educated person. You will know how to contact knowledgeable people who could not have been party to the scam.

The skeptics claims that the Apollo flights did not go to the moon. You could contact the experts from other countries who tracked the flights on radar (Jodrell Bank in England or even the Russian Academicians).

You should contact the Astronomers at Lick Observatory who bounced their laser beam off the Lunar Ranging Reflector minutes after I installed it. Or, if you don't find them persuasive, you could contact the astronomers at the Pic du Midi observatory in France. They can tell you about all the other astronomers in other countries who are still making measurements from these same mirrors—and you can contact them.

Or you could get on the net and find the researchers in university laboratories around the world who are studying the lunar samples returned on Apollo, some of which have never been found on earth.

But you shouldn't be asking me, because I am clearly suspect and not believable.

Neil Armstrong

Birthdays:

Rovezzi, Robert.....14 April

Zarella, Steve21 April

Libby, Gerald30 April

Club Anniversaries:

Coyle, Cathy.....04/06/0419 here.....8 New Britain =27 years

Emery, Christina04/17/18.....5 years

DiCara, Deirdre04/23/13.....10current + 27 prior= 37 years

Gonzalez, Maria04/27/21.....2 years

Upcoming guest speaker responsibilities:

Rovezzi, Robert.....Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Suhanovsky, SusanTuesday, April 18, 2023

Paul Harris Awards. Evening meeting: TCCTuesday, April 25, 2023

Pet Parade Poster judging at Torrington Public LibraryTuesday, May 2, 2023

Steck, JimTuesday, May 9, 2023

OPEN.....Tuesday, May 16, 2023

Sullivan, Kevin.....Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Sullivan, TeresaTuesday, May 30, 2023

Tillotson, Ellen L.Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Tonon, Gregori.....Tuesday, June 13, 2023

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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