



## The Rotary Club of the Torrington and Winsted Areas

### Tuesday's Today!

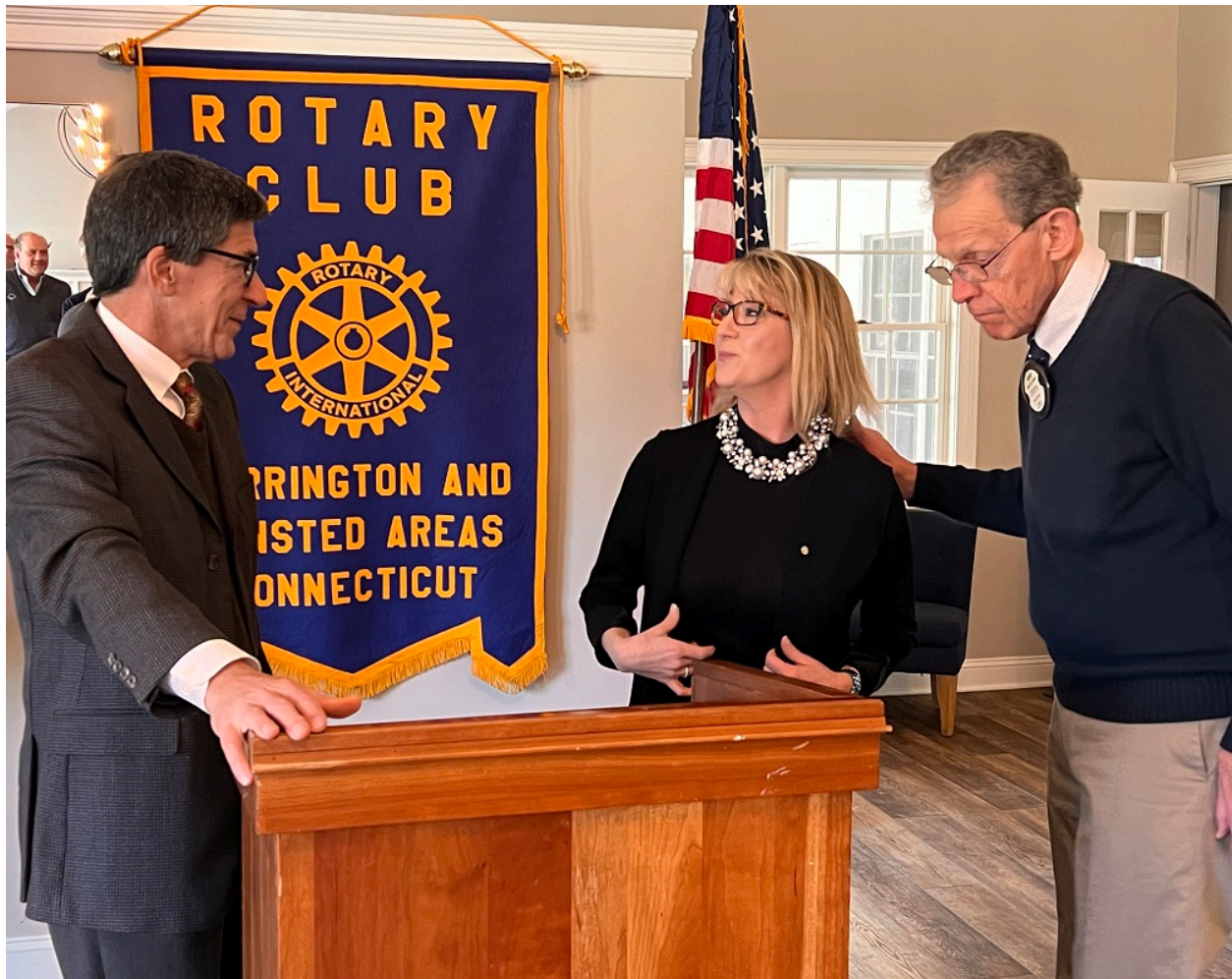
#### Last Week's Program:

Tom Bascetta was introduced by Tim Cook. Tom is employed by Hartford healthcare working as an operations manager for the LIFE STAR program. He gave us a great background explanation as to his personal path working in healthcare, starting out as a respiratory therapist at Charlotte Hungerford hospital and gradually, as he gathered more experience and more expertise, he was ultimately hired to be on the LIFE STAR team. He explained thereafter however he wanted to take on more leadership roles and derived a great deal of satisfaction from working to improve the whole healthcare delivery system as opposed to his rather specialized work flying on the helicopters. As a consequence he has moved into management and explains that he really enjoys his work. His days are filled with managing staffing challenges, handling logistics, scheduling crew rotations and other crucial aspects of supporting the mission of LIFE STAR.

Members had a lot of questions and we were entertained by Tom and his enthusiastic and humorous speaking style. We thank him for having been with us and further explaining the LIFE STAR program and we thank Tim for securing him as a speaker.



We also were lucky last week to have increased our number. We welcomed our newest member, Karen Thomas into the club. President Guy inducted her and her sponsor, John Lavieri, bestowed her pin upon her. Be sure to share your congratulations with her when you next see her!



## This Week's Program:

Donna Bielefield will be introducing Andrew Lyon. Andrew is the Director of the Prevention Department at McCall Behavioral Health Network and will be talking about the following points.

- What is prevention and why is it so critical in the realm of behavioral health.
- What McCall Behavioral Health Network is doing in the prevention sphere.
- How people can get involved in promoting prevention services and initiatives.

We have been the lucky beneficiaries of a series of speakers representing McCall in the different aspects of their mission. This information, as it concerns prevention, will be new information and in light of the increasingly well-established connection between behavioral health and addiction, the more we can learn in this regard the more we will be positioned to help others in our community. Be sure not to miss this important talk!





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 Tuesday February 14, 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, March 9, 2023, at 8am via Zoom. Board members will receive an email with the contact info.

## Torrington/Winsted Rotary News and Reminders:

### 1. This from RI:

You can help promote peace in the world by encouraging peace and development leaders in your community to apply for the Rotary Peace Fellowship.

Each year, Rotary awards fully funded fellowships for peacebuilders from diverse backgrounds to study at one of our peace centers located at premier universities around the world. This year, we'll select 50 peace fellows to study in our master's degree programs and 40 fellows to earn a professional development certificate.

Rotary Peace Fellows use their training to amplify their work at the local, regional, or global level. Clubs and districts can partner with them on peacebuilding initiatives before, during, and after their fellowships.

But we need your help finding candidates. Rotary and Rotaract members can get involved by:

- Taking the All About the Rotary Peace Fellowship course to learn about the qualification criteria, eligibility restrictions, the application process, and more
- Forwarding the fellowship announcement to your contacts and including it in club and district communications
- Using our referral form to tell us about potential candidates so we can contact them
- Sharing a PowerPoint presentation about the fellowships with your club members and community
- Following the Rotary Peace Centers Facebook page and sharing our posts

Candidates have until 15 May to submit applications to The Rotary Foundation.

Thanks to generous support from donors and the dedicated participation of Rotary members, the peace fellowship program has more than 1,600 alumni working to make positive change in more than 140 countries. Please follow this link for more information with live links and a link to apply:

<https://msgfocus.rotary.org/q/1trvcOQfKVCZTL4UAiFxOV9c/wv>



2. The rotary Club of West Hartford is having their 11<sup>th</sup> annual “The Vines of March” wine tasting and auction. Happening Saturday March 4, 2023, from 7pm – 10:30pm. Please see the attached notice for more information.

## Golf Tournament:

1. The Rotary Golf Committee is desperately looking for additional committee members. We are asking any Rotary members with the ability to please volunteer. We have needs in all areas, but we will be trying to do more social media and email marketing for the event as well as creating back up rolls for the individuals who are currently in charge of specific duties. We are trying to both push the tournament forward as well as set up succession planning. Anyone who has the ability to assist, please reach out to Greg Tonon at [tonon@nwcommunitybank.com](mailto:tonon@nwcommunitybank.com) or (203)768-8172
2. We need a few volunteers (no more than 10) and a pick up truck if available to move the Golf Tournament items in storage at Brooker Memorial to Northwest Community Bank in Winsted. We should be able to bang it out one morning or evening, depending on the availability. If anyone is interested in assisting, please reach out to me and we can determine the best day and time. Thank you- Greg Tonon [tonon@nwcommunitybank.com](mailto:tonon@nwcommunitybank.com)

## For Your Edification:

DAVID BRANCACCIO: There's a little sweet moment, I've got to say, in a very intense book-- your latest-- in which you're heading out the door and your wife says what are you doing? I think you say-- I'm getting-- I'm going to buy an envelope.

KURT VONNEGUT: Yeah.

DAVID BRANCACCIO: What happens then?

KURT VONNEGUT: Oh, she says well, you're not a poor man. You know, why don't you go online and buy a hundred envelopes and put them in the closet? And so I pretend not to hear her. And go out to get an envelope because I'm going to have a hell of a good time in the process of buying one envelope.

I meet a lot of people. And, see some great looking babes. And a fire engine goes by. And I give them the thumbs up. And, and ask a woman what kind of dog that is. And, and I don't know. The moral of the story is, is we're here on Earth to fart around.

And, of course, the computers will do us out of that. And, what the computer people don't realize, or they don't care, is we're dancing animals. You know, we love to move around. And, [evidently] we're not supposed to dance at all anymore.

Source: NOW on PBS, David Brancaccio interviews Kurt Vonnegut discussing his then newly published Book: 'A Man Without a Country'



## Birthdays:

Coyle, Cathy.....03 February

McCormick, Brian.....14 February

## Club Anniversaries:

Steck, Jim.....02/22/11.....12 years

Zarella, Steve .....02/25/14.....9 years

Pagano, Matt.....02/25/97.....26 years

Paradise, Pete.....02/28/17.....6 + 25 = 31 years

## Upcoming guest speaker responsibilities:

Pagano, Matt.....Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Ponte, Tony.....Tuesday, February 28, 2023

Power, Patrick.....Tuesday, March 7, 2023

GOLF KICKOFF .....Tuesday, March 14, 2023

Ramsey, Frank D. ....Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Rougeot, Paul.....Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Rovezzi, Guy.....Tuesday, April 4, 2023

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

Ryan, JoAnn.....Tuesday, April 18, 2023

Ryan, William P. ....Tuesday, April 25, 2023

Smith, Jeff .....Tuesday, May 2, 2023

Steck, Jim .....Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Suhanovsky, Susan.....Tuesday, May 16, 2023

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

Sullivan, Teresa .....Tuesday, 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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