



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

Last Week's Program:

Was an update on the US manned space program. It was perhaps too much information as sometimes my enthusiasm makes it difficult to limit the amount of info I think I can present in the time allotted but it was well received.

If you choose, attached for your perusal is the Powerpoint presentation from last week.

This Week's Program:

Tony Ponte had planned on introducing Torrington's mayor so she could provide us with information as to "tons of updates and new initiatives that she is excited to share with us" but alas, on Friday he received the following: "Hello, I have just learned that I will be one of the first witnesses called to testify at the Yankee Pedlar Inn trial on the 28th. ☹️ I didn't want to leave you stranded for a guest speaker and asked our city planner, Jeremy Leifert, to fill in for me. He will discuss the Sustainable CT initiative, our recent "bronze" award and other city projects that he is working on. . ."

So... although Mayor Carbone won't be with us, she's working hard to resolve the Pedlar situation which is obviously important to the town and we'll still be getting a great presentation! Be sure to join us for Jeremy Leifert's 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 February 28, 2022 12:10 PM

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

Meeting ID: 894 2482 8923

Passcode: 702744

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:

From the Proud Grandparent files, we're sharing this week the great news that Pete Paradise's granddaughter Nordic skiing athlete Findley Dezzani of Columbia Falls Montana qualified for the Junior Nationals in Fairbanks Alaska in March. See the press here:

<https://whitefishpilot.com/news/2023/feb/22/two-nordic-athletes-qualify-junior-nationals-alask/>

Please send along any news and updates as it concerns your extended families so that such info can be shared in this space each week!

Pet Parade:

Pet Parade co-chair Larry Cassells sends along the following info regarding the committee and poster material distribution:

- Poster material distribution is starting on the 7th-8th of March. Thanks to Peter, Brian, Bill Harding, Bill Ryan, Jenn, Cathy, Greg Brisco, Karen Thomas, John for handling this!
- There is a Pet Parade Committee Meeting on Wednesday, March 1 at 4:30pm at the Howd, Lavieri, Finch office in Winsted.

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

For Your Edification:

“P. S. To confirm still more your piety and gratitude to Divine Providence, reflect upon the situation which it has given to the *elbow*. You see in animals, who are intended to drink the waters that flow upon the earth, that if they have long legs, they have also a long neck, so that they can get at their drink without kneeling down. But man, who was destined to drink wine, is framed in a manner that he may raise the glass to his mouth. If the elbow had been placed nearer the hand, the part in advance would have been too short to bring the glass up to the mouth; and if it had been nearer the shoulder, that part would have been so long that when it attempted to carry the wine to the mouth it would have overshot the mark, and gone beyond the head; thus, either way, we should have been in the case of Tantalus. But from the actual situation of the elbow, we are enabled to drink at our ease, the glass going directly to the mouth. Let us, then, with glass in hand, adore this benevolent wisdom; — let us adore and drink!”

Benjamin Franklin

Letter to the Abbé André Morellet

July 1779

An elbow doing its job:



Birthdays:

Michalowski, Gerald07 March
Ives-Groebel, Jennifer.....08 March
DiCara, Deirdre17 March
Langlois, Sarah.....17 March
Suharovsky, Susan.....17 March
O'Connell, Douglas.....19 March
Brisco, Greg.....28 March

Club Anniversaries:

Paradise, Pete.....02/28/17.....6 recent+ 25 previous = 31 years
Suharovsky, Susan03/04/14.....9
Oneglia, Cynthia.....03/04/97.....26
Coutant Skinner, Maria.....03/04/14.....9 years
Ryan, JoAnn.....03/14/00.....23 years
Quinn, Owen.....03/24/15...8 recent + 22 previous = 30 years

Upcoming guest speaker responsibilities:

Power, Patrick.....Tuesday, March 7, 2023
GOLF KICKOFFTuesday, March 14, 2023
Ramsey, Frank D.Tuesday, March 21, 2023
Paul Harris Award Presentation.....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, JeffTuesday, May 2, 2023
Steck, JimTuesday, May 9, 2023
Suhanovsky, Susan.....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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