



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

Last Week's Program:

We were pleased to welcome into the club our newest member, Debbie Bender. Debbie is the Senior Philanthropy Officer at the Hartford Healthcare's Charlotte Hungerford Hospital and is very pleased to join us. She was sponsored by Cynthia Oneglia who proudly affixed Debbie's Rotary pin upon her lapel.

Welcome Debbie the next time you see her!



This Week's Program:

We'll have with us this week our own Reverends, Ellen Tillotson and her husband Bill Cavanaugh who will be sharing with us their recent experiences as novice Backyard Beekeepers. Ellens adds, "We'll have a pound of last year's honey to raffle off for a good cause! Hope that sweetens the deal..."



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 June 6, 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, June 8, 2023, at 8am via Zoom. Board members will receive an email with the contact info.

Torrington/Winsted Rotary News and Reminders:

- The prospective member below has been considered by the board and is now able to be published to the club. This process is strictly governed by the bylaws and therefore we are making notice of his name. Please communicate any concerns to membership chair Cynthia Oneglia at coneglia@hotmail.com

Dustin Bingham

- Susan Suhanovsky is making considerable progress in her hike across northern Spain on the Camino de Santiago. She'll be keeping a blog as she makes her way which she wishes to share with you here: <https://smsmarine.blog/> Navigate to that page and then click on the green "Join me in my pilgrimage" button for the most recent updates. There's already a bunch of incredible pictures detailing some of the sights that she's seen! Make sure you bookmark that link in your browser and follow her progress. For more information on the Camino de Santiago, see this link: <https://caminoways.com/camino-de-santiago>
- Donna Bielefield sends along the attached notification from the McCall Behavioral Health Network regarding Mental Health First Aid training. This event is happening on June 13, 8am to 4pm. Gain the skills to assist someone experiencing a mental health or substance use-related crisis.

Learn how to respond with the Mental Health First Aid Action Plan (ALGEE):

Assess for risk of suicide or harm.

Listen non-judgmentally.

Give reassurance and information.

Encourage appropriate professional help.

Encourage self-help and other support strategies.

Sign-up info is included on the attached.

Golf Tournament:

This notice from the Golf Committee is a big deal...

The Golf Committee shares this (attached) spreadsheet that shows sponsors pledges and payment received as of 5/30 and the Rotarian who is getting the points for the sponsorships.

Please see the most recent sponsor spreadsheet updated as of May 30th attached.

LET'S GET GOING! WE CAN DO IT!

For Your Edification:



View of Helen G. James posed inside the main cargo door of a Douglas C-47 Skytrain. Credit: National Air and Space Museum Archives, NASM 9A14833-059B.

In the 1950s, Helen James, a U.S. Air Force servicemember who had received positive performance reviews and achieved the rank of Airman Second Class, came under scrutiny as part of the "Lavender Scare," the campaign to remove all lesbian and gay people from government employment in the 1950s.

She was arrested and discharged as "undesirable" with no severance pay or other benefits. While James eventually moved to California, earned an advanced degree in physical therapy from Stanford

University, and had a successful career, her less than honorable discharge status weighed heavily on her. So James, at age 90, sued the Air Force to have her discharge upgraded to honorable.

And that's when National Air and Space Museum archivist Patti Williams first heard James's story. In this blog, Williams tells her story and discusses how we collected James's photos and documents into the Museum's Archives.

READ THE BLOG – LINK

https://airandspace.si.edu/stories/editorial/helen-james-equality?utm_medium=email&utm_source=WhatsUp&utm_campaign=blog

Birthdays:

Cassella, Larry04 June

Tillotson, Ellen.....11 June

Ponte, Tony.....13 June

Tonon, Greg.....15 June

Club Anniversaries:

Christian, Tom..... 06/01/76.....47 years

Lavieri, John.....06/01/69.....54 years

Brisco, Greg.....06/10/03.....20 here + 5 in PA = 25 years

Magistrali, Mike.....06/10/86.....37 years

McCormick, Brian.....06/18/85.....38 years

Muschell, Vic.....06/24/97.....26 years

Ramsey, Frank.....06/26/0716 now + 7 previous = 23 years

Harding, Bill.....06/30/83.....40 years

Upcoming guest speaker responsibilities:

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

Guy Rovezzi.....Tuesday, June 20, 2023

OPEN.....Tuesday, June 27, 2023

INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY.....Tuesday, July 4, 2023

Donna Bielefield.....Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Brisco, Greg.....Tuesday, July 18, 2023

Cassella, Larry.....Tuesday, July 25, 2023

Cerruto, Glady Y.Tuesday, August 1, 2023
Oneglia, Cynthia.....Tuesday, August 8, 2023
Coutant Skinner, Maria.....Tuesday, August 15, 2023
Coyle, Cathy.....Tuesday, August 22, 2023
DiCara, Deirdre.....Tuesday, August 29, 2023
DiCarlo, Brenda.....Tuesday, September 5, 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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