



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

Last Week's Program:

John Capobianco, Senior VP, Hartford Healthcare, NW Region was with us and graciously was willing to give us an impromptu talk on the da Vinci robotic surgery device.

It was a very intriguing introduction to an evolving aspect of patient care. The use of this surgical device by surgeons provides for better outcomes in that this approach is less invasive, less fatiguing for the doctor to use and ultimately provides for better outcomes.

This video explains the system better than I ever could. <https://youtu.be/HHKEHTr7o3Y>

And here's the robot, surgically repairing a grape: <https://youtu.be/0XdC1HUp-rU>

We thank John for gamely jumping up and speaking about the upcoming implementation of this system at the Hartford Healthcare, Charlotte Hungerford site.

This Week's Program:

The Pet Parade is just about upon us. Co-Chairs Sarah Langlois and Larry Cassella send along the attached documents:

"Pet Parade- Parade Order-Final"

"Pet Parade-Parade Day Instructions"

They'll have the floor this week and will be addressing any last minute concerns or questions.

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 May 13, 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:

- We have the names of TWO prospective members that have been considered by the board and are now able to be published to the club. This process is strictly governed by the bylaws and therefore we are making notice of their names effective today. (One of these folks is obviously very well known to us!) Please communicate any concerns to membership chair Cynthia Oneglia at coneglia@hotmail.com

Debbie Bender

Lou Helt

- 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>
- Deirdra DiCara extends an invitation to club member's to FISH's 5th Annual "A Tasteful Event" for the evening of May 17, 5-7:30pm at the Five Points Art Center (the old UCONN campus) 855 University Dr., Torrington.

**We're Back...
50 Years and Resilient.
Join Us!**



5th Annual

Tasteful
Event

Wednesday | May 17, 2023 | 5-7:30 pm
Five Points Art Center | 855 University Drive, Torrington, CT



**Celebrating with food, wine and the spirit of giving,
with a silent auction and entertainment.**

TICKETS: \$30

Purchase online at: www.fishnwct.org or by calling 860.482.7300

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FISH provides the most basic of human needs - food, shelter and hope.

- On Thursday of last week, several Rotarians were at FISH for a thank you to the crew of the "Divine Renovation" show which filmed in Torrington all week. Most of the Rotarians were not too star struck, but then Cynthia asked Mr. Estrada if he brought his old tight pants from his CHiPs uniform and it was all downhill from there.





Pet Parade:

The Parade is next Saturday!!!! The early forecast is for good weather and the excitement is building. Please plan on being part of this important Rotary event!

Golf Tournament:

Attached, you'll note the Golf spreadsheet current as of Thursday 5/11. Only the funds collected thus far are shown, but it's possible that there have been some submissions that have only arrived that have not been counted.

The takeaway should be that we're behind where we should be!

Please, get out there and secure your golf sponsorships and get your golf points in! Back in the day, Molly S. Oddo used to regularly earn 80 or so points. That's certainly a goal to shoot for!

For Your Edification:

Here's a song dedicated to our former Dear Leader... who in his CNN town hall last week seemed unsure as to who he thinks should prevail in Ukraine:

https://youtu.be/nS5_EQgbuLc



Birthdays:

Healey, Jason.....14 May
Marchand, Bill.....17 May
Sullivan, Teresa.....24 May
Ramsey, Frank.....31 May

Club Anniversaries:

Sollitto, Frank.....05/01/67.....56 years
Geddes, Jeff.....05/04/22.....1 year
Libby, Jerry.....05/08/79.....44 year
Marchand, Bill.....05/11.....45 years
Power, Pat.....05/17/16.....7 presently +39 previously = 46 years
Fusco, Jeanne.....05/17/16.....7 years
Tonon, Greg.....05/30/17.....6 years

Upcoming guest speaker responsibilities:

OPEN.....Tuesday, May 23, 2023
Sullivan, TeresaTuesday, May 30, 2023
Tillotson, Ellen L.Tuesday, June 6, 2023
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, Gladly 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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