



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

Last Week's Program:

We met last week at the Torrington Public Library for the final poster judging and although my favorite didn't win, we still decided upon a very nice poster for this years event!



Also... As the date for the parade draws near, the concern over logistics begins: Doug O'Connell is looking for volunteers to assist with set up the day of the Pet Parade (May 20). This should be a rather

short commitment beginning at 9am and ending between 10am and 10:30am. As the actual Parade is an “all hands on deck affair”, assisting with set-up in the morning is not expected to be in lieu of assisting with the actual Parade later that day. Please reach out to Doug at doc@hlf.com if you can be of assistance with set up. Doug would also like to remind Rotarians to hang around in the East End Park till after the Parade ceremonies have concluded in order to assist with “take down”. With everyone’s assistance, the take down process should run less than 30 minutes.

The Pet Parade is an annual club event! It’s “all hands on deck” so be sure to plan your May 20th such that you can participate!

This Week’s Program:

Jim Steck had a speaker all lined up for us, but who just now has cancelled. So... it would seem that this Tuesday would be a good time for our Pet Parade and Golf chairs to give us an update as to the present status of things and if the general membership needs to be mobilized or tasked with any efforts.

See you Tuesday, you dedicated Rotarian you!

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 9, 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, May 11, 2023, at 8am via Zoom. Board members have received an email with the contact info.

Torrington/Winsted Rotary News and Reminders:

- Susan Suhanovsky has departed for her epic 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. She’s a wonderful photographer so I’m sure there will be a lot of pictures. 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>

- In the May edition of the Rotary International magazine, on page 55, you'll find a great little reference to our own Pet Parade! There's a scan of the page attached for your perusal.
- On Thursday last, several of us took a moment to honor and remember Jim and Shirley Draper who through their planning and beneficence have made possible a lot of what we do as a club and as well a significant portion of the annual charitable giving guided by the Northwest Connecticut Community Foundation. Col. Jim and Shirley... we thank you and remember you!



- Many of you may not know this but Doreen Roy and our own Paul Rougeot are both retiring from the Credit Union! Lisa Ferris passes along this invite to the retirement party that the Credit Union has planned for them both and extends a warm invitation to all Rotarians!



Golf Tournament:

There's only two months to go...Don't be like Jack... get your golf points in now!!!



For Your Edification:

Steve Martin and the Steep Canyon Rangers... "Atheists Don't Have No Songs:"

<https://youtu.be/xmwAD7nHqaY>



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:

Steck, JimTuesday, May 9, 2023
OPEN.....Tuesday, May 16, 2023
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
Bielefield, Donna.....Tuesday, July 4, 2023
OPEN.....Tuesday, July 11, 2023
Brisco, Greg.....Tuesday, July 18, 2023
Cassella, Larry.....Tuesday, July 25, 2023
Cerruto, Gladys 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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