

10/14/21 Meeting Minutes:

Got the meeting started with Phil Ucci doing the pledge, Ray Carissimi provided the prayer and Curran Bishop managed the 4 way test.

**Guests:** Dave Kimble who has been a missionary for years which included time in Boston, Egypt and now he is back in the States.

**Do Good:** Sad fine started by Carrie, Our speaker for the meeting was a last minute reschedule.

Happy fines: Yousef was happy to be here- and not the last one in. Bob reminded use of the board meeting at his house, food at 5:30, meeting at 6:00. Phil gave \$10 for polio plus and announced the wine trail event downtown to support United Way. Dave wanted to support Polio Plus and wanted everyone to know of the open enrollment for Medicare from now until Dec 7. If you need help, call him. Frosty will be routing for Yale this weekend over UConn (sorry Frosty). Carrie is hoping the club can raise \$250 for Polio Plus and that the Bill Gates organization will triple it. She will be at JFK at 5:00 AM for a workshop out in San Diego. Win missed the last 2 meetings. He wanted us to know the Red Sox beat the Yankees. He heard his family members paid their wager. He was pretty confident Alex Corrara can out cheat Houston. Lorna needs help this past weekend at Beth El from 9-1. They are serving Chili. Dan went to his first Red Sox game at Fenway and his girlfriend ran in the marathon. She came in at 3:43, great time! Bob donated \$50 to polio Plus, very generous. Don said our speaker got back up in his schedule. He was from IRIS, but we did send them the check for \$6000.

Announcements: Board meeting next month is at Jill's at 25 High St.

World Polio Day just came, we are looking to gather donations to support Rotary's efforts. 10/30 is the trick or trot event, see Carrie if you want to participate. The fourth Thursday of the month is a breakfast meeting. That is the 28th at 8:00. Any members with outstanding dues, please get them in to Tracy.

Our guest became a last-minute speaker. Dave Kimble is a missionary with special experience in Christian/Muslim relations. He grew up in Manchester-by-the-Sea. After college, god spoke to him and he felt a calling to go over seas. Went to Ministry school, then to Egypt then Jordan where he met his wife (who was from Trumbull CT). They adopted 2 children, one is autistic. This brought them back to the States and Milford. He is here to serve the church and work with refugees. He talked about different forms of persecution he has seen in the Middle East. Hard forms; forced from house or get killed; kidnap young girls or soft forms ie, not get top jobs or being held down so don't get opportunities. Numerous questions and a thought provoking discussion followed. One question was how do we make things better? You need to get to know each other and build relationships. Curran talked about things from a religious point of view vs political. Yousif said you need to differentiate between the Muslim people and the Islamic fundamentalists.

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Upcoming Milford (and other) Rotary Club Events:

10/24 World Polio Day 10/30/21 Trick-Or-Trot, Rotarians needed for our team

## Beth El Meals Schedule

Leaders: Shaileen Landsberg and Lorna Sura

## <u>2021</u>

## Contact Shaileen for details

Let Shaileen know if you are helping: shaileenh@gmail.com or 203-258-0841. And WEAR A HAT! per Milford Heath Dept.

## Who's Who for the 2021-2022 Rotary Year

Officers:	Sergeant-At-Arms: Bill Parry	1 <sup>st</sup> Year Board of	2nd Year Board of	
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President – Carrie Reed	Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms: Curran Bishop	Lorna Sura	Lise Robinson	
President-Elect – Don Wetmore	Treasurer: Tracy O'Brien	Ray Carissimi	Mike Granata	
Vice President – Tad Smith	Asst Treasurer: Ray Carissimi	Jill McGoldrick	BJ Frazier	
Secretary – Phil Ucci III	Gary Opin (Immediate Past Prez)	Sam Bergami III	Chris Cody	

Your Rotary Chat Team: Scribe: Win Smith Jr. Circulation: ~Raymond V.L. Carissimi~ Board Meeting the second Thursday, 5:30 PM social, 6 PM meeting -- every month unless noted otherwise Milford Rotary, PO Box 381, Milford, CT 06460 <u>http://www.milfordrotary.org</u>

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Member	Birthday		
Hazelton, Lisa (LISA)	05 October		
Smith, Thaddeus (TAD)	11 October		
Sandillo, Mark (MARIA)	14 October		
Powell, Elle (ELLE)	23 October		
Smith, Winthrop S III (WINTHROP)	23 October		

*Did you know*: Singapore, Rwanda, and Uruguay are similar in that they are small nations with an exceptionally higher standard of living than their neighbors. All enjoy a highly free-market economy which has led to significant foreign investment over the years. Singapore and Rwanda are more authoritarian, where freedom of speech and the laws are very restrictive.

"If you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain." - Dolly Parton, entertainer