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Happy Easter

Military Coupon Program

We are still collecting coupons to be sent to our military personnel and their families. The coupons may be for food, clothing or other items, for which families can receive discounts. Please clip and give them to Nancy. Be sure that they have an expiration date to reach the families in due time.



Rotary Foundation

We only have 3 months to reach our goal, of "Every member, Every Year". Look at your lunch badge, and see if you have a sticker. If not, please make your donation of \$50, as soon as possible.



April 22

Rotary International Theme 2009-2010

April – Rotary Magazine Month- The Rotarian

We will be meeting
at the **MAXX**
April 20.

Community Service Awards

We presented our annual Community Service Awards March 16, to two worthy volunteers, Mary Daniels and Lillian Slater, hard working warriors who deserved recognition for their efforts. See page 4 for pictures. The honorees were invited to lunch, and received their well deserved awards, and proclamations from the Town of New Milford, and The State of Connecticut.



Duck Race



Our 16th Annual River Duck Race will be memorial Day, Monday May 31. This is our second largest fund raiser, and we need the support of **every member!** If we are to meet our donation goals, for scholarships, and several donations requests that we have tabled, every member must "place" at least 25 ducks for "adoption", and every member must set the date aside. We need everyone to assist at the race site. It's a big job, but it's over in just a few hours, and the results should be very rewarding! Kurt will have the "adoption Certificates", posters, and sign up sheets shortly.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

April 6– Brian Fasci– Boy Scouts/ Food Donation Day
April 13– Dr. Arthur Klein– Natural Health Care
April 20– Probate Judge Marty Landgrebe
April 27– Student of the Month/ Exchange Student Vicki Brunetto (Brazil)
April 30– May 2– District Conference– Saratoga Springs, NY
May 1 (Saturday)- Annual Paper Shredding Day .
May 4– Tara Alemany– Social Networking– What does it have to do with us?
May 31 (Memorial Day– Monday)- 16th Annual River Duck Race

April Birthdays

April 13– Cathy Setterlin
April 14– Jim Clark
April 14– Kathy Gold
April 16– Bill Quinnell
April 19– Barbara Voutas
April 20– Rotary founder– Paul Harris (1868)
April 23– Diane Dlugokencky
April 24– Mike Gold

April Anniversaries

April 10– Josephine and Carl Dill
April 11– Charlie and Janet Junz
April 12– Gretchen and Glenn O'Shea Reynolds
April 23– Rob and Irene Belden

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Bus Persons

April 6– Charlie Reppenhagen/
Barbara
April 13– Tinker/ Peter Evengelisti
April 27– Walter Whitney/ Katherine Webster-O'Keefe
May 4– Lou Abella/ Mary Burcaw

March Student of the Month



Rob and Mathematics teacher, Davis Shaffer, welcome and congratulate Eric Ho, our March Student of the Month. His parents, Connie Siu and Kam Keung, also were our guests, March 23. Eric is a national Merit Scholarship finalist, College Board AP Scholar, with distinction, CAPT advance level performance in all four sub tests, Harvard Book Award, Rensselaer Medal Award, and various academic excellence awards. He is a member of Team Waramaug, the Math team, pit/orchestra first violin, year-book proof editor, NAMES program, Spanish Honor Society, National Honor Society, JV Cross Country, indoor/ outdoor track, Debate Team, Martial Arts Club, and Ct. Northern Regional violin. He volunteers at Literacy on the Green, is a volunteer mentor at Hill and Plain Elementary School, and Math tutor at NMHS, has performed at martial arts studio's demo at Relay for Life. He has a black belt in Tang Sod Do Association, and gold medalist in regional competition. He is a US Soccer Federation certified grade and soccer referee. He plans a career as a bio medical scientist.

Raffle Prizes

Thanks to Eileen Kessler for the wine! We still welcome any more donations of raffle prizes for our lunch meetings. If you have anything to donate, a bottle of liquid refreshment, a nice item that you may have a duplicate of, and not need, please let President Oscar or Charlie know. Thank you!

Local Rotary Clubs for make-up meetings

Litchfield-Morris-Thursday 12:00 Noon at the Litchfield Inn

Danbury- Wednesday 12:15 P.M. at the Ethan Allen Inn

Newtown- Monday 6:15 P.M. at The Inn in Newtown

Washington- Tuesday 12:15 P.M. at St. John's Episcopal Church **E-Club**- www.rotary7890.org

Programs



March 9, Denise Duggan was our guest. She presented an interesting program about NMHS Community Outreach program.



Dr. Manoj Abraham spoke to us March 23, and showed slides of his trip to Santa Marta, Columbia, on behalf of Healing the Children. He participated in many operations on children, mostly cleft palates.

Health- Good Wishes

Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with Danny Straub, who completed his treatment at Yale- New Haven Hospital, and is now home. A card would be nice to show him our continued care and love.

President Oscar has had a throat operation, and will undergo further treatment. Our thoughts and prayers are with him for a speedy recovery and "return to action".

Programs



State Senator Andrew Roraback visited us March 2, to give us an update from Hartford. He spoke about the budget process, difficulties associated with budget passage, difficult spending reductions, the Budget reserve Fund, and revenue projections.

Special Presentation



Cathy presents Victoria, our Exchange Student from Brazil, with a needle-felted shot put ball, which she created. The award was to celebrate her going to the SWC games, with NMHS Wave indoor track team. She had to throw the shot put 25 feet, to qualify, and she threw 26 feet 8.5 inches!

Service Above Self

Have you ever wondered how our many projects actually get done? We usually do get good turnouts at our fund raisers, but most members do not know about the "behind the scenes" work. We will try to tell you about our hard working "behind the scenes" workers, in future issues.



Student of the Month



We have been celebrating the Student of the Month, almost as long as we have been in existence, but what happens and how? Many hours of quiet dedication are expended by a few, to make the program a dignified, meaningful event. We honor 11 students a year, one for each department at the high school. The teachers of each department make the recommendation, and send the info to Rob. He coordinates the dates and arrangements, and gives the info to Bonnie, Charlie Reppenhagen and Charlie Junz. Bonnie obtains and registers the \$200 bond that we present, and Charlie Reppenhagen makes up the beautiful framed certificate. Rob makes the presentation with dignity and some humor. We take pictures, Katy sends them to the 2 local newspapers, and we send the honorees 2 copies of the pictures, and a copy of the Nairator, in which the presentation appears. Peter takes the honoree's picture to the High school, and displays it in its place of honor, in the main hall, where it remains for the month, until the next Student is displayed. A lot takes place, quietly, and we thank these dedicated members for their efforts!

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Congratulations!

Tom McSherry, whose daughter, Allison became engaged to Garret Roy!

Former long time member, and former minister for the United Methodist Church, Don Rackliff who is now a member of the Bristol club, and was presented the Bart Barnes Rotarian of the Year Award, by the club!

Community Service Awards



Mary Daniels



Lillian Slater

We selected two very hard working community servants, who were honored at our lunch meeting, March 16.

Mary Daniels, an 82 year old youngster, has volunteered for 11 years at NM Children's Library. She puts out the floor mats, helps prepare craft projects, takes attendance, and many other tasks. She has run a Sunday school program, helps to put together the church newsletter, worked at NM Hospital pharmacy, and was a local hospice worker.

Lillian Slater, a 92 year old youngster, has volunteered at the NM Thrift Mart for over 25 years, where she is known as the "Shoe Lady". She has also volunteered at the Red Cross for over 25 years, where she registers donors.



President Elect Sharon presents Mary with a plaque from our club, and Mayor Pat Murphy presents her with proclamations from New Milford Town, and The State of Connecticut (on behalf of State Rep. Clark Chapin). She was also presented with a check for \$100 to her selected charity, the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation.



Lillian displays her plaque from our club, and Mayor Murphy presents her with the proclamations from New Milford Town and the State of Connecticut. The \$100 donation of her choice was to the American Red Cross.

Shredding day- Saturday May 1

Save the day and spread the word! Art Klein is organizing our annual "Shred Day", Saturday May 1, at Lore's Plaza. This a great fundraiser and a great opportunity for you and your friends and business associates to get rid of those cartons of documents and other papers, which have been collecting dust and other foreign substances, in you attic! (see flyer page 6).



We were very pleased to have friends of Mary and Lillian join us to honor the recipients, and enjoy lunch with us.



President Elect Sharon congratulates our worthy recipients.

Club Web Site
www.NMRotary.org

Special Donation



March 30, we were honored and pleased to have our good friend, Carly Klein, visit us. She came to tell us more about her read-a-thon to benefit Pennies for Peace. She spearheaded the humanitarian project in recognition of becoming a Bat Mitzvah, in April. The program is sponsored by the Central Asia Institute, and founded by Greg Mortenson, author of "Three Cups of Tea: One man's Mission to Promote Peace, One School at a Time." The organization promotes building schools in remote regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan, and encourages children, especially girls, to pursue an education. She also came to collect the pledges from our members, who helped sponsor her read-a-thon. She raised over \$1,000 from her efforts! Great job, Carly!

2010-2011 Rotary International Theme



Programs



Dr. LucciAnn Lavin, from the Institute of American Indians Studies, in Washington, Ct., visited us March 30. She presented an interesting slide program about the Institute, explaining the programs, and telling us about the many events and programs of the organization. For more info, www.birdstone.org.



"To wear the Rotary pin is an honor. What does the Rotary pin convey to the wearer?"

You can rely on me.

I am dependable.

I am reliable.

I give more than I take.

I am available.





ROTARY

Document Shredding Day



AN ANNUAL EARTH DAY EVENT

THE NEW MILFORD ROTARY CLUB

in conjunction with

Secure EcoShred

will again be shredding your boxes of old papers, bills, receipts, bank statements, medical records, checks, tax forms, etc.

Secure EcoShred's massive mobile shredder will be here to tear your boxes of papers to shreds... *while you watch!*

Last year 14,000 pounds of paper was collected and recycled saving 145 trees!

- ✓ Time to clean out your home and business!
- ✓ Drive up...and it's shredded. It's that easy!
- ✓ No need to remove staples or paper-clips.
- ✓ The shredded paper will then be recycled.
- ✓ Keeps waste out of the land fill.
- ✓ It's better for the environment.
- ✓ Saves you hours on your tiny shredder!
- ✓ Take action against identity theft and fraud.
- ✓ Don't miss it — Clear the clutter!
- ✓ Bring 50+ boxes and you are invited to lunch at the Rotary Club to be recognized!

BRING YOUR BOXES

 OF PAPERS!

Saturday May 1, 2010

*Rain date:
 Sunday May 2*

10:00am to 2:00pm

Location:

Lore's Plaza

Parking Lot

Danbury Road - Rt. 7

Same plaza as Goodwill

\$5.00 per box

~copy paper size~

No Limit

(Larger boxes extra)

**No
 appointment
 necessary!**

For information or if you
 have large quantities, call:
860 350-2225

All money collected will be used by the New Milford Rotary Club for Senior Citizens, student scholarships, environmental and many other local area projects.

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