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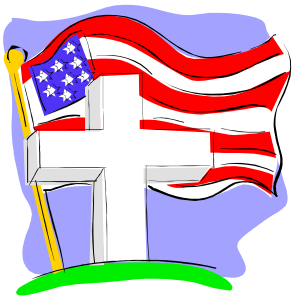


Memorial Day
May 28
Never Forget!

Duck Race

The date is Monday, May 28, for our 18th Annual River Duck Race. This is one of our largest fund raisers, so we need every member's support, by attendance and participation, and for "placing as many adoptions" as possible! Each member has received a supply of Adoption Certificates, so go to work arranging the adoptions! We're counting on each member to place at least 20 ducks! If you have not received your certificates yet, see Bonnie. Every child, and grandchild should have at least one duck with his or her name, in the river! Jim Kick and Ralph Williams are the co-chairmen for the project. We have great prizes, and the weather will be great!

Club Web Site
www.NMRotary.org

Shredding Day– Saturday May 5

Once again, we will have our Annual Document Shredding Day, Saturday May 5– Lore's Plaza– 10AM to 2PM (rain date is Sunday– same hours). Spread the word-. This is a very popular fund-raising event! can. If you need copies, of our flier, see Art Klein or Charlie Junz.

Rotary Foundation Bus Persons

May 1– Gretchen/ Carl
May 8– Peter Daubner/ Mansoor
May 15– Frank Wargo
May 22– Nancy
May 29– TBA

May 13

Upcoming Meetings & Events

May 1– Bill Deusing– Connecticut Chapter of Northeast Organic Farming Assoc. (NOFA)/ Food Donation Day
May 5 (Saturday)- Annual Document/ Records Shredding Day- See flyer page 6.
May 6-9, 2012– Rotary International Convention– Bangkok, Thailand.
May 8– Dave Elmore—Rotary– an Historical Perspective.
May 15– John Baker– Connecticut Beekeepers Association/ Student of the Month– April and May.
May 18, 19, 20, 2012– District Conference– Plymouth, MA
May 22- Academic SHOWDOWN– Team Waramaug vs. Team Rotary– THE BATTLE OF THE BRAINS!
May 28 (Monday)- 18th Annual River Duck Race
May 29- A visit from our Mexican GSE Team
August 22 (Wednesday)- Annual Golf Tournament at Fairview Farm

May Birthdays

May 4– Art Klein
May 19– Rob Belden
May 29– Ivan Shiffman

May Anniversaries

May 8– Peter and Pauline Lang
May 15– Tom and Mary Larkin
May 20– Peter and Elaine Daubner
May 25– Scott and Becky Mulhare
May 25– Ralph and Priscilla Williams
May 27– Oscar and Judi Rasmussen
May 27– Andrea and Jim Wilson
May 31– Lou and Kay Abella

Armed Forces Day
May 19

Programs

Our own Carly Klein was our speaker April 17, about the Martial Arts Program, Tang Soo Do. It takes two husky men to hold the boards, which she so easily breaks into two! She is presently a "Black Belt"!

Per Larson was our guest April 24. He spoke to us about developing a program in New Milford to help Seniors to stay in their homes. He spoke about Co-op Care, bolstering Chore Service, and how it also improves medical care benefits.

Rotary Park

The daffodils are finished, the tulips are blooming brightly, and plans are underway for more colorful plantings, for the summer. A cleanup was rained out, and will be rescheduled.

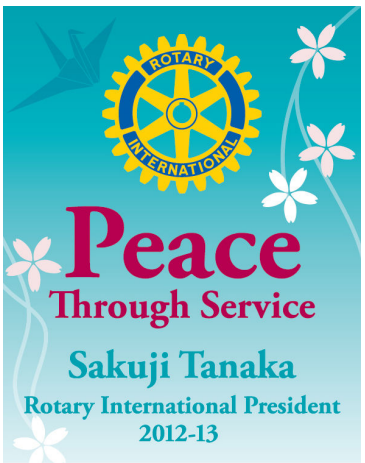
April 3, Kathleen Nelson, from the Mad Gardeners Invasive Species group, spoke to us about invasive plants, especially the mile-a-minute (Persicaria perfoliata) vine. She told us how to recognize it, and what is being done in an effort to eliminate or control the vine.

April 10, Dr. Kirstel Pilchard, from NM Hospital, spoke to us about Surgical Safety.

EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR

Rotary Foundation

We have only received a few more donations, since last month. As you have heard, the Rotary Foundation has made its goal to match the Bill Gates 200 million dollar grant to eradicate polio! In addition, India has completed a concentrated drive , and is about to be declared polio free! Our year ends June 30th, so join us in meeting our challenge: Every Member–Every Year. Remember, you can divide the $50 and include it with your quarterly dues.



Our 2012-2013 Rotary International Logo

Special Presentation!

District Governor, Sue Klock, visited us April 3, and presented President-Elect Katy with a check for $ 408, representing a District Grant for our Dictionary Program.

Tuesday May 8 is National Teachers Day

Raffle Prizes

We still welcome any more donations of raffle prizes for our lunch meetings. Thanks, again, to Katy for several donations of wine. 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 Terry or Charlie know.

Golf Tournament

Our 29th annual Golf tournament will be Wednesday, August 22, at Fairview Farm. In order to be able to make our budgeted donations, and other non-budgeted donations, this fund raiser must be a success! We need at least 100 golfers, so put together a foursome, and let Katy, Rob , or Charlie Junz know . We also need sponsors. We will be assigning potential sponsor names at our meetings, soon. Remember, this is a club project, not an effort by a few members!

Community Service Awards Recipients

Our annual honorees have been :
1995– Guy Samuelson, Mark Blanchette, Donald Woods Jr., and James Caldwell
1996– William Zehrung ll, Helen Marx
1997– George C. Fitch
1998– Sherrie McAuliffe, Biddie and John Roger, and Arthur Palmer
1999– Helen D. Strid, Merrill Golden
2000– David E. Bierce Jr., Roberta Buddle
2001– Glenn Miller, Libby Porter
2002– Donna Hespe, Norbert Lillis, and Lyn Miller
2003– W. Joseph Hine, Patricia and Laurence Tripp
2004– Jim Williams, Bonnie and Michael Shepherd
2005– Patty and Charles Bates, Donald and Nan Tutson
2006– Helen Lennstrom and Roland Miller
2007– Susan and Tom Fisher, and Monty Robson
2008– Joann Lillis and Herman Izzard
2009– Peter Orenski and Steve Kolitz
2010– Mary Daniels and Lillian Slater
2011– Paul Vorhees
2012– Mary Hibbard Roberts and Christian R. Prause

2011-2012 Officers

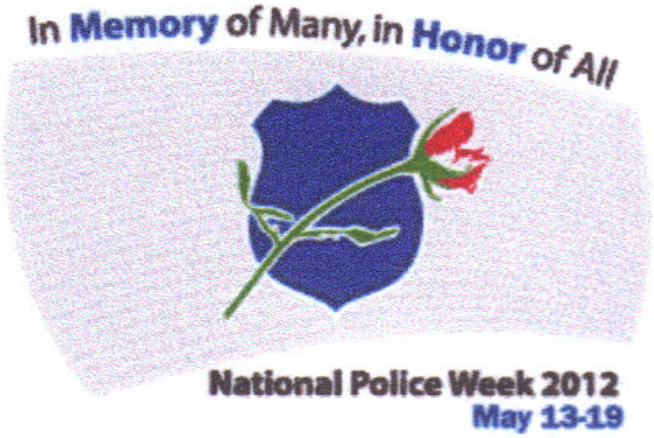
President– Terry Profita
President Elect– Katy Francis
Secretary– Tom McSherry
Treasurer– Charlie Junz
Sgt. at Arms– Sharon Ward

Board

Ann Fisher
Ivan Shiffman
Ralph Williams
George Petermann
Darren Piper

National Police Week 2012
May 13-19

In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15th falls, as National Police Week, meaning that National Police Week 2012 will be Sunday, May 13th through Saturday, May 19th.



Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week was created in 1961, signed into law by John F. Kennedy in 1962, and has been recognized on May 15 of every year since then, so it's been around for a while. It might sound new to you, though, because it's not a national or public holiday where offices, schools, or governments get time off. In 2002, President George W. Bush signed a proclamation that Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week pay tribute to the local, State, and Federal law enforcement officers who serve and protect us with courage and dedication.

Rotary Foundation Dinner

Priscilla, Frank, Irene and Rob represented us at the Rotary Foundation dinner, at the Chef Josef, Agawam, Massachusetts, March 29.

Special Guests

April 24, five officers from our Interactive Club, Tara Larkin, Nicole Callisen, Kristina Wagner, Patricia Madrio, and Gabby Passarelli, visited us. They told us about their programs, activities and fund raisers. The club is large, and very active!

Local Rotary Clubs for make-up meetings

Litchfield-Morris-Thursday 12:00 Noon at the Forman School
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 First Congregational Church
Brookfield (Now Housatonic Rotary Club)– Monday 6:15 PM at Pasta Garden**.**
E-Club– www.rotary7890.org