

# The FAIRFIELD ROTARY CLUB'S DRUMMER

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## SERVICE Above Self

### Fairfield Rotary Foundation Officers 2009-2010

**PRESIDENT** Walter Leask  
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**TREASURER** Richard Huber  
**SECRETARY** Tim Russell

**TRUSTEES:** Harry French, Renato Gasparian, Paul Barnes, Doug Williams, Peter Penczer,

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:** Janet Barillari, Gene Richter, Roy Cant, Ernie Karkut, Norma Peterson

### Fairfield Rotary Officers 2010-2011

**President:** Chris Johnson  
**President Elect – First VP:** Paul Greatsinger  
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**VP Club Service:** Sheryl Shaughnessey & Susan Stearn  
**Assistant:** Peter Penczer  
**VP International Service:** Peter Penczer  
**VP RI Foundation:** Doug Williams  
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**VP Community Service:** Mike Boyd & Steve Elworthy  
**Assistant:** Jim Hughes  
**Drummer Coordinator:** Art Grob  
**Secretary:** Janet Barillari  
**Treasurer:** Bob Rigilano  
**Assistant:** Ben Williamson & Patty Felner-Bragano  
**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Norma Peterson  
**Immediate Past President:** Peter Penczer and Renato Gasparian  
**District Grant Coordinators:** Penny Stevens  
**Song Leader**

### MAKE UP MEETINGS IN THE LOCAL AREA

Town	Day	Place	Time
Bridgeport Sunrise	Thursday	Krazy Joe's Cafe	7:45 AM
Bridgeport	Tuesday	Holiday Inn @ 1070 Main Street	12:15 PM
Black Rock-BPT	Tuesday	Black Rock Public Library, FFLD Ave	6:00 PM
Darien	Thursday	Darien Public Library	12:15 PM
Devon	Wednesday	Stonebridge Restaurant	7:45 AM
Milford	Thursday	Aldario's Restaurant	12:15 PM
Monroe	Thursday	Whitney Farms Golf Club	7:30 AM
Shelton/Derby	Thursday	Connie's Restaurant	12:15 PM
Stamford	Tuesday	Holiday Inn Select	12:15 PM
Stratford	Tuesday	Oronoque Country Club	12:15 PM
Trumbull	Friday	Trumbull Public Library	7:30 AM
Westport	Tuesday	Inn at Longshore	12:15 PM
Westport Sunrise	Friday	Bobby Q's Barbeque	7:30 AM
Wilton	Friday	Portofino Restaurant	12:15 PM

Check the District web-site for additional Rotary meetings in Connecticut. Check the R.I. website for meetings throughout the world.

Visit Your Club's Website at: <http://www.fairfieldrotary.org>

Visit the Rotary District 7980 Website at: <http://www.rotary7980.org>

Visit the Rotary International Website at: <http://www.rotary.org>

Visit the Rotary Database Website: [www.dacdb.com](http://www.dacdb.com)



Schedule of Events			
Event	Date	Time	Location
R.S.V.P. TO PAT MATTESON ABOUT PICNIC: 203 - 218-0091	ASAP!		
Summer Picnic at Peter and Lynne Penczer's	8/15/10	2- 5 pm	Penczer Home
<i>NO Rotary Meeting 08/16/10 due to Summer Picnic @ Peter &amp; Lynne Penczer's on 8/15</i>	08/16/10		
Rotary Meeting: Louis Elneus-Haiti update	08/23/10	12:15 PM	GAC
Rotary Meeting: American Cancer Society	08/30/10	12:15 PM	GAC
<i>NO Meeting 09/06/10 due to LABOR DAY HOLIDAY</i>	09/06/10		
<i>NO Rotary Meeting 09/13/10 due to ROTARY CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT ON THURSDAY 09/16/10 @ FAIRCHILD WHEELER GC</i>	09/13/10		
Rotary Meeting: Alan Hurst of Rotary District	09/20/10	12:15 PM	GAC
Rotary Meeting: District Governor Julianne Reppenhagen	09/27/10	12:15 PM	GAC
Fairfield Rotary Club SUMMER PICNIC	8/15/10 (Rain Date 8/29/10)	2:00 PM	Peter & Lynne Penczer's House 657 Merwins Lane, Fairfield
Rotary Club Golf Tournament	Thurs Sept 16	All day	Fairchild Wheeler GC

**Attendance Reminder:**

1. PLEASE BE SURE YOU SIGN IN AT EACH MEETING.
2. PLEASE BE SURE TO GIVE CLUB SECRETARY, Art Gob, ALL MAKE-UPS SO THEY CAN BE INCLUDED IN THE ATTENDANCE REPORTS. THESE INCLUDE:
  - VISITING OTHER CLUBS (near and far)
  - ADDITIONAL ROTARY MEETINGS (e.g. any committee or BOD meetings)
  - OTHER ACTIVITIES RELATING TO OUR CLUB (e.g. Read Aloud, cooking at Prospect House or at the Operation Hope Tag Sale, giving rides for Follies, helping out at our Golf Tourney, to name just a few)

**GET YOUR MAKE-UP INFORMATION TO ART GROB BY THE END OF EACH MONTH.**

**[aogrob@sbcglobal.net](mailto:aogrob@sbcglobal.net)**

**You are also encouraged to invite your spouse, partners, or family members to attend Rotary functions, including regular luncheon meetings.**

**REMINDER TO MEMBERS:**

**There is a requirement that all Rotary members achieve at least 50% attendance in order to maintain membership. This does, of course, include make-up meetings and events so there are always many opportunities to meet the attendance requirements.**

**PLEASE BE SURE TO RECORD ALL MAKE-UPS INCLUDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS, ROTARY EVENTS, ETC. SO THAT YOUR ATTENDANCE MEETS THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS. IN ADDITION, PLEASE ATTEND ALL LUNCHEON MEETINGS THAT YOU CAN.**

<b>Door Duty</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>Drummer Duty</b>	<b>Door Duty</b>
08/16/10	No Meeting	SEE YOU @ SUMMER PICNIC 8/15 @ PETE & LYNNE PENCZER'S HOME
08/23/10	Jim Hughes	TBA
08/30/10	Jim Hughes	TBA
09/06/10	No meeting	No meeting Happy Labor Day Weekend
09/13/10	No meeting	See you at Rotary Golf Outing/Lobster Bake on Thursday 9/16 @ Fairchild Wheeler Golf Course

**If you have door duty, please show up by 12 Noon or sooner to help set-up.**

## Opening

The meeting was called to order by our **President-Elect Paul Greatsinger**

**Paul Greatsinger** led us in the pledge.

**Phoebe Leask** led us in song.

**Patti Felner-Bragano** delivered a thoughtful meditation.

**Reminder** that donations in Jay Hallenbeck's memory can be made to the **college fund** for his sons in care of Marjory Tracy, Trustee, 105 Technology Drive, Suite 1A, Trumbull, CT 06611.

### **INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK:**

“I think we have to appreciate that we’re alive for only a limited period of time, and we’ll spend most of our lives working. That being the case, I believe one of the most important priorities is to do whatever we do as well as we can. We should take pride in that.” Victor Kermit Kiam, 1926-2001 American Corporate Executive

**NEW FEATURE: NAME THAT MOVIE QUOTE:** (Find the answer at end of the Drummer).

**“You make me want to be a better man.”**

**NEW WEEKLY FEATURE: IMPORTANT FOOD ITEMS NEEDED BY OPERATION HOPE:** Please donate some of the following food items by bringing same to our meeting or dropping off same @ the Operation Hope Food Pantry: (NB, if you are a volunteer at Operation Hope Food Pantry, be sure to ask the staff what foods they are lacking and we will try to update our list each week.

- 1. deodorant;**
- 2. toothpaste;**
- 3. shampoo;**
- 4. conditioner;**
- 5. diapers #3;**
- 6. jelly/jam;**
- 7. crackers;**
- 8. peaches/pears**
- 9. flavored rice;**
- 10. juice;**

## Guests

### Guests today included:

Christina Franzese, Latoya Sullivan and Jennifer Cooley of Goodwill who were the program speakers

### Visiting Rotarians

**John Armistad** of Scarborough England

## Announcements

**Membership Dues notices** were emailed by our Treasurer, **Janet Barillari** to all members; Please respond ASAP & advise **Janet B.** your method of payment or if wish to set up a payment plan.

SUMMER PICNIC will be SUNDAY AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> @ 2:00 PM (Raindate 8/29) @ Peter & Lynne Penzer's home @ 657 Merwin's Lane, Fairfield. This event is open to you and your family. Pete & Lynne have graciously offered to host the Summer Picnic. Pete has arranged again with the YMCA to have 2 life guards on duty in the pool area. PLEASE NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN THE POOL AREA. **SEE YOUR EVITE OR CONTACT PAT MATTESON FOR MORE INFORMATION - 203 - 218-0091**

**Past Pres. Bill Lewellyn** reminded us of our summer fun fund-raising event:

### Fairfield Rotary Club Golf Tournament & Lobster Bake

Thursday September 16, 2010

Fairchild Wheeler Black Golf Course

Cost: \$150 for golfers includes lunch, golf, lobster dinner and open bar!!

\$50 for those coming to Lobster Bake alone

**We are seeking sponsors and raffle prizes & players of course for the event !!**

REMINDER: CLUB LOBSTER BAKE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWS THE GOLF EVENT at 6:45 pm– Cost is \$50 for Lobster Bake if you are not playing golf and includes open bar.

Contact Bill Llewellyn for more information: 203-330-0628 or  
bill@universalprinting4u.com

**Sergeant at Arms Ben Williamson** has made a call-to-arms for each and every member to actively participate in our weekly raffle by donating a raffle prize, or by soliciting one from our local businesses. Too few people have done much to provide raffle prizes in the last year and it's time for all members to donate a raffle prize.

Rotary Club Board meeting this Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. at Gene Richter's office. All are invited.

Burroughs Community Center is again collecting back packs and school supplies. Contact Chad Stewart if have donations.

### New Membership

**President Chris Johnson** & our Club Membership Co-Chairs **Sheryl Shaughnessey** & **Susan Stearn** would like to raise the club's membership this year so please feel free to invite folks whom you believe would make great Rotarians....

### Student Guests

NONE

### Just Because

**Dennis Oligino** happy that grandchild almost on the way.  
**David Schmidt** in honor of his friend and mentor, Wayne Smith, who recently passed away  
**Pete Penczer** thanked **Guy Hatfield** for his contribution to the fund for the medical project in India headed by George LongstrethB  
**Bill Llewellyn** for another AED donation by the club.  
**John Lee** in appreciation for old Drummer **Walt Dunn** gave him  
**Tim Russell** for old ad **Walt Dunn** gave him and for how house prices use to be  
**Dave Huntington** for his birthday  
**Mac Leask** in recognition of the \$35,000 grant that the Norwalk Rotary received for a literacy project in South Norwalk, and led by **Phoebe Leask**  
**Mike Pida** encouraging members to attend the summer picnic  
**Gary Kealey** for his new grandson  
And others

### Program

The program was about Goodwill and was presented by Latoya Sullivan and Jennifer Cooley. First Latoya described the GoodGuides Youth Mentoring program. The program targets people ages 12 -17 who face risk factors such as school failure, family violence, homelessness or other challenges. Each teen is paired with a caring adult mentor to support and guide the youth to resources to help with career plans and

educational goals. Mentors will have an orientation and training session and then volunteer 4-6 hours per month with a one year commitment. Jennifer then explained the new Goodwill Career Center opening at Ocean Terrace in Bridgeport.

## Raffle

PLEASE TRY TO SOLICIT & DELIVER SOME GREAT RAFFLE PRIZES TO OUR CLUB FOR FUTURE DRAWINGS...IF YOU HAVE EVER WON THE RAFFLE BEFORE, PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A DONATION FOR NEXT WEEK'S RAFFLE AS WE ARE IN DIRE NEED OF FINE ITEMS.

This week's raffle was a gift certificate to Health in a Hurry and was won by John Beckmann.

All recited the 4-way test.

FYI: This week's movie quote was made by Melvin Udall (played by Jack Nicholas) in Director, James L. Brooks' (1997): *AS GOOD AS IT GETS*.