



THE ROTARY ANCHOR



The Weekly Newsletter of
THE ROTARY CLUB OF NEW LONDON

District 7980 Club 6741

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PO Box 654, New London, CT 06320

CLUB NEWS JANUARY 16, 2025

Upcoming Events for Rotary Club of New London

1/30 Chinese New Year Dinner

"Breaking Bread and Building Bridges" with the Ledyard Rotary Club
Oriental Bar + Grill, 867 Norwich-New London Turnpike Uncasville, CT
6:30 pm Cost is \$25.00 payable to the restaurant that evening.
Thank you to Mark and Juner Patnode for organizing the upcoming peace committee event for the Rotary Club of New London and the Ledyard Rotary Club. Juner will be ordering a sampling of food for everyone in advance and discussing it as it relates to Chinese Culture.
RSVP by 1/22 to Valerie at westv8804@gmail.com

2/26 Haitian Dinner + Cultural Awareness event

to benefit the Haitian Health Foundation
Favorites Bistro Bar, 171 Bank Street New London, CT

3/4 Germany, US & CT: Partners for Peace Luncheon

with guest speaker Dr. Kreibich
The Lighthouse Inn, 6 Guthrie Place, New London, CT @ Noon

4/25 Peace in Nature Event on Arbor Day

5/3 Opus for Peace at the Hygenic, a Juried art show opening event

Hygenic Art, 79 Bank Street, New London, CT 6pm to 9pm

5/17 New London Rotary Club Epic Day of Service

Rotary Assembly, Meeting, Training, Conference, Convention Dates & Links

(Register on dacdb for many events):

January 18, 2025: 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m., District Leadership Training Assembly

<https://www.dacdb.com/Calendar/Event.cfm?EventID=77797945&CalClubID=6741&R=0.017779497098421082>

March 4, 2025: 12:00-1:30 p.m., New London Rotary Club Peace Event,

Lighthouse Inn

Follow this link to purchase your ticket (\$23.18 total), which includes a delicious buffet lunch! <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nl-rotary-peace-event-germany-us-ct-partners-for-peace-dr-kreibich-tickets-1129859443009?aff=eivtefrnd&utm-campaign=social%2Cemail&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-source=strongmail&utm-term=>

May 30, 31 June 1: Magical Mystery Tour Rotary District Conference

Southbridge, MA

<https://www.dacdb.com/Calendar/Event.cfm?EventID=77792474&CalClubID=6741&R=0.20222391992683875>

June 21-25 2025: Rotary International Convention, Calgary

<https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/>

Peace Calendar: <https://opus-for-peace-community.rotary7980.org/events>

TODAY'S PROGRAM

No Program

Weekly Meeting 12:00 Noon

at THE LIGHTHOUSE INN
6 West Guthrie Place, New London

Jan 23 Jerry Fischer

Jan 30 Chinese New Year

For those unable to attend in person, please join us for our weekly Rotary meeting via Zoom.

Go to [ZOOM.COM](https://zoom.com) and click "JOIN A MEETING" and enter the info below.

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GREETER

Jan 16 Kris Magnussen

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Jan 16 Kris Magnussen

SONG LEADER

Jan 16 Kris Magnussen

BIRTHDAYS

Jan 16 Carmelo Foti

Jan 16 Barry Neistat

Jan 19 Isabelle Singer

ANNIVERSARIES

Jan 16 Keith & Emily Turner

Club Officers, 2024-2025

President	Carmelo Foti
President-Elect	Mary Lenzini
Vice President	Mark Spinnato
Secretary	Andy Russell
Treasurer	Alan Lyon
Sergeant-at-Arms	John Estelle
Immediate Past President	Valerie West

Board of Directors

2025	Lee Cole-Chu, Pam McNulty Hennessey, Todd Gipstein
2026	Andrew Gilday, Mirna Martinez, Tracee Reiser
2027	Gigi Gonzalez-Cottrell, Gail MacDonald, Kristin Magnussen

Club Committees

Rotary Youth Service	
Todd Gipstein, <i>Director</i>	
Student Of The Year	Christine Hammond/ Barry Neistat
High School Awards	Barry Neistat
Rotary Membership	
Mary Lenzini, <i>Director</i>	
Fellowship/RAH	Val West
Classification	Andy Russell
Information	Kris Magnussen
Sunshine	Brian Cole
Diversity/Membership Dev.	Jerry Fischer

Rotary Community Service
Gail MacDonald, *Director*

Camp Rotary	Tracee Reiser
Centennial Playground	Rick Gipstein
Holiday Book Drive	Anna Lathrop
Community Meal	Anna Lathrop
Service Person/ Veteran's Day Program	Mary Lenzini
Little Free Libraries	Julia Kushigian Secor
Yale Harvard Regatta	Lee Cole-Chu
Thanksgiving Turkey Fund	Pam McNulty-Hennessey

Rotary International Service
Julia Kushigian Secor, *Director*

Peace Building	Val West
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Rotary Club Service
Lee Cole-Chu, *Director*

Audit	
Awards	
Paul Harris	Val West
Carl Wies	Anna Lathrop
Tom Wetmore	Julia Kushigian Secor
Phil Turner	Mary Lenzini
Nominating	Ed Cramer
Anchor	Gail MacDonald/Todd Gipstein
Music	Chris Neilan
Program	Mark Spinnato
Fundraising Committee	Mary Lenzini
Golf	Kate Lee/Alex Marku
Brewfest	Keith Turner/Victoria Mueller
By-Laws	Lee Cole-Chu
Picnic	Val West/Ted Rossi
Anchor Ad Sales	
Installation Committee	Victoria Mueller
Public Relations	Gail MacDonald/ Sophia Gipstein Scirrico
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