



New Milford Rotary Club  
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(That's Rotarian Spelled Backwards)



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## January Birthdays

Jan 5 - Tom Mott  
Jan. 12 - Gail Abbott  
Jan. 13 - Jim Hauser  
Jan. 18 - Melissa Hladek-Alfordr  
Jan. 19 - Ann Fisher



## Upcoming Meetings

### All via ZOOM

Jan 5th - Reflections on 2020 and Looking forward to 2021 – Pres Katherine

Jan 12<sup>th</sup> – Sustainable CT, Julie Bailey & Stephen Gass

January 19<sup>th</sup> – tentative Mayor Update on the State of the Town

## Rotary International theme for January

### VOCATIONAL SERVICES

Vocational Service Month During this period, clubs highlight the importance of the business and professional life of each Rotarian. Special activities promote the vocational avenue of service.

Vocational Service is the essence of Rotary and serves as the foundation from which we serve our communities around the world. Vocational Service calls on us to empower others by using our unique skills and expertise to address community needs and help others acquire or refine skills and advance their professional opportunities.

**Rotary Foundation gets 4 Stars**

When giving to a charity it is nice to know that your money will be going to what you intended. For the 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive year the Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating ( 4 stars ) from Charity Navigator an independent evaluator of charities in the United States. The Rotary Foundation executes its mission in a financially efficient way. So when you are giving, think New Milford Rotary Club Foundation to tribute to for our local projects. That is also tax deductible .

**Shelter Box**

Shelter Box was founded in 2000 by Rotarians in the United Kingdom to provide emergency shelter and essential supplies to help communities in a time of disaster. Shelter Box awarded Rotary International with its first Global Humanitarian Service Award. Shelter Box teaming up with Rotary International has helped over 1.6 million people in 100 countries. More recently the partnership has delivered life saving shelters and aid to families protecting them from the coronavirus.

**Food Insecurity**

No matter how much we do food insecurity seems to be an ongoing fact of life here in New Milford. As Rotarians we have to be those shining points of light that will always give when asked.

**New Milford Rotary Club Website**

Check out our New Milford Rotary Club website. There are great pictures of our members delivering masks to different volunteer fire departments and the Children's Center.

**New Year**

Well 2020 is behind us and now it is time for positive thinking in the new year. If you listen to the cynics and the doubters it will crush you. Instead of being disappointed about where you are think optimistically about where you are going. Focus on learning, loving, growing and service. Let's all make a resolution to live 2021 with the three E's ... Energy, Enthusiasm and Empathy.

**GETTING TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW ROTARIAN - Peter Lang**

Where were you born ? Winterthur, Switzerland

Who introduced to to Rotary ? Boober Janssen

Your favorite sport team ? NONE worked when all games were on

Your favorite desert ? Anything with chocolate

Your dream vacation ? Drive to Alaska

If I won a million dollars, I'd .....worst day of my life, too many friends to share with

Where do you hope to be 5 years from now ? Same place I am now and healthy

Do you have any hobbies ? Taking care of house, garden, chop wood, swim

How did you get your current job ? I'm Retired, I volunteer