

ROTARY ANCHOR



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity
2011/2012 Rotary Theme

New London Rotary Club
District 7980 Club 6741
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Meeting Thursday December 15, 2011

AM Group 7am Thursday Muddy Waters



"America's Tall Ship" USCG Barque *Eagle*

Dec 15 Holiday Literacy Program

Dec 22 Town & Gown - Mirjan Despalatovic Conn College

Reporters:	Dec 15	Todd Gipstein
	Dec 22	Julia Kushigian-Secor
Greeter:	Dec 15	Joanne Cain
	Dec 22	John Bysko
Invocation:	Dec 15	Millie Devine
	Dec 22	MaryLou Underwood
Song Leader	Dec 15	Joanne Cain
	Dec 22	Maggie Blundon
Birthdays	None	
Anniversaries	Dec 17	Alan Mayer & Gail
	Dec 20	John Bysko & Jane

Student of the Year Winthrop School Adoni Johnson

Adoni is an energetic, well-rounded student, who performs at the highest level for his teachers. As a member of the Student Council, he is well liked by his peers and respectful to adults. Adoni always offers a quick wave and warm smile for everyone whom he comes into contact with. Adoni is also a skilled gymnast and a member of the New London Youth Cheerleading Squad and Cheer USA. Adoni possesses the positive attitude and skill that makes him a model representative of New London Public Schools.



RAH Dinner Out at Chaplin's

Rotary After Hours and Fellowship with a Six Course Wine Dinner. It doesn't get much better than that.



Rotary Program from November 10, 2011

Reporter: Meridith Diette

As has become a beloved tradition, the New London Rotary Club observed Veterans' Day with a formal program dedicated to all the men and women who have served or are serving in the armed forces. Lt. Col. Steve Percy, USMCR (Ret) introduced R. Adm. Tom Wetmore, USCG (Ret), who gave the invocation. At the conclusion of the invocation Sr. Chief USCG (Ret) Gregory Martin played a moving rendition of Taps in tribute to all the men and women who have given their lives for our country.

The presentation of colors by the New London High School JNROTC and the signing of the National Anthem led by the USCGA "Idlers" then followed. Next, the "Idlers", an all-male collegiate a cappella ensemble specializing in the performance of sea shanties and patriotic music, treated the club and guests in singing the Armed Forces medley to honor members and veterans of the five branches of military service, followed by all singing "God Bless America".



The club then joined Denny Hicks and the Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Connecticut in awarding Petty Officer Brian Babb the "service Person of the Month" honor. Petty Officer Babb received the award not only for his dedication to the Navy but for his outstanding community service volunteering nearly 30 hours a week as a fire fighter and EMT.

The Colors were retired and Capt. Pete Connair, USNR (Ret) gave the Benediction, being thankful for the gifts of life and freedom, and honoring the fallen heroes and all who have served or are serving.

Lt. Col. Percy thanked his committee members for all of their hard work to make the program a success.

These included Capt. Pete Connair, USNR (Ret), R. Adm. Dave Goebel, USN (Ret), Sr. Chief USCG (Ret) Gregory Martin, Cmdr. Kenneth Megan, USCG, Dr. Robert Newton, Gerry Tom (Program Founder), Cmdr. Ted Ward, USN (Ret) and R. Adm. Thomas T. Wetmore (USCG (Ret)).

