



New London Rotary Club

District 7980 Club 6741 Chartered April 11, 1917

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AM Meeting: Thursdays at 7AM—Muddy Waters, New London Lunch Meeting: Thursdays at 12:15 PM—Holiday Inn, New London

Meeting: Thursday, June 20, 2013

Program:

June 20 Recent Trip To Israel Jerry Fischer

June 27 Member Biography Joanne Cain

Reporter:

June 20 Lorraine Allen June 27 Mark Patnode

Invocation:

June 20 Ann Connolly June 27 TBD

Greeter:

June 20 Julia Kushigian Secor

June 27 Bill Schmidt

Song Leader:

June 20 Rod White June 27 Joanne Cain

Birthdays:

June 24 Reid Burdick June 26 Jose Ulloa

Anniversaries:

June 20 Chuck Primus & Romana June 21 Rick Gipstein & Myra Green June 24 Linda Mariani & Dave Neusner

June 26 Alan Messier & Debbie

WELCOME VICTORIA MUELLER

Victoria was born in Port Jefferson, NY and lived in Louisiana, Ohio, and Brooklyn, NY before settling in Southeastern Connecticut. A high honors graduate of Waterford High school in 2001, she went on to study at UConn, gradu-



ating in 2005 with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. Victoria spent 7 years as a Special Events and Wedding Coordinator at Gourmet Galley Catering before embarking on a legal career. In 2012, she received her Juris Doctorate from the UConn School of Law and currently handles real estate matters and commercial litigation at Messier, Massad & Burdick, LLC.

Victoria is not new to Rotary. In 2010, she founded the New London Rotaract Club, which is still going strong today. In addition to her involvement in Rotary, Victoria serves on the Board of Directors at the Children's Museum of SECT and at Hygienic Art, Inc.

In 2009, Victoria married her high school sweetheart, Tim. They reside in Uncasville with their kitty, Bella, and their black lab, Levi.

Harvard-Yale Regatta

Program: 06/06/13

Our annual Harvard-Yale crew race program gave us a rare opportunity to spend lunch with the Honorable Lee Cole-Chu, who once again managed to coordinate a wonderful program.

As in years past, we hosted the meeting in collaboration with the Kiwanis and Lions Clubs. The club enjoyed singing fight songs from Yale and Harvard and then heard from several speakers who gave us an overview of the current Harvard and Yale seasons. The Har-

vard- Yale regatta is the oldest collegiate sport in America, dating back to 1852. This year was the 148th regatta.

First we heard from Steve Gladstone, Yale's Men's Varsity Heavyweight Coach. He explained the teams season and that he was looking forward to the race. Steven admitted that although Harvard was favored, Yale was ready for a fight.

Harvard's Assistant Coach Bill Manning then spoke for the Harvard crew. Bill noted that Harvard had another very good season and that they were not taking their advantage in the regatta for

granted. Harvard won the Eastern Sprints championships last month and finished second to Washington at the International Rowing Association national championships May 31. He noted that his crews know that Yale is going to fight hard to win the races.

The keynote speaker was Dr. Andrew Larkin, from Northampton, Massachusetts. Dr. Larkin graduated from Harvard in 1968 and was a member of the USA (Harvard) 1968 Men's Olympic eight-oared crew. He mesmerized the club with his stories detailing the importance of crew throughout his life.

The program concluded with Mayor Finizio and members of the Kiwanis and Lions clubs

drawing the lane assignments for the 4 crew races. That weekend, as in recent years, Harvard swept all the races including the 4-mile upstream race. Harvard is 94-54 in the event and has won 13 of the last 14 matchups.



Yale Coach Steve Gladstone



Keynote Speaker Dr. Andrew Larkin

Student of the Year

Science and Technology Magnet High School Isaiah Gomez



It is always great to

see the Honorable

Lee Cole-Chu!

Harvard Asst. Coach

Bill Manning

Isaiah is the epitome of the magnet school motto "Failure is Not an Option." A 12th grader at the school, he has not allowed life's challenges to slow down the achievement of his goals. He possesses a strong determination and, through hard work, is focused on getting where he wants to go in life.

Isaiah exhibits quiet leadership, strong academic performance, and is committed to community involvement—which is apparent in the fact that the number of community service hours he has completed far exceed the number that are required. Isaiah is a member of the National Honor Society, and has been a member of the basketball team, which has been a passion of his since he was a freshman. Isaiah plans for his future include attending a four year, State university with a major in communications.

Congratulations Isaiah!