



**ROTARY:
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DIFFERENCE**

Milford Rotary Chat For November 30, 2017 Meeting

**Fifth Thursday Social and
Prospective Member Event**
Thursday, 11/30 @ 5:30 – 7:30
Details Below!

HOSTS – at the door

Nov 23: NO MEETING – Happy Thanksgiving!

Nov 30: Jeff Mishley, Rich Meisenheimer

Dec 7: Carol McInnis, Tom Margius

Dec 14: Paul Mangels, Gary Johnson

Dec 21: Shaileen Landsberg, Adam Kasowitz

Upcoming Milford Rotary Chapter Meetings:

Nov 30 Rotary Foundation Speaker, Baxter Walsh

Dec 7 Club Assembly Election of officers for 2018-2019 year, update by officers on current year to date. Please come. We need a quorum.

Dec 14 Doolittle

Dec 21 Music from Tom Margius and holiday songs

Dec 28 Just “hanging” with your friends Cyrus will undoubtedly keep us entertained

Milford Rotary Chapter Events:

Nov. 30 5:30- 7:30 5th Thursday Social, Spouses and Prospective Member Event A great way to socialize and get a make-up! Crush Sports Cafe, 1015 Bpt Ave, near Milford Hospital. Unlimited apps and one drink ticket \$21 pp.

12/5: Norm Parcels Dinner with our own Shaileen Landsberg being honored for her much-appreciated Beth El volunteer work and sunny outlook. Oronoque Country Club in Stratford. Please get your reservations in *SOON* at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/norman-e-parcels-luncheon-tickets-36232160367>

12/7: Toys for Tots Collections Milford Firemen will be in to collect for Toys for Tots, Unwrapped gifts or cash or both.

12/15: Board Meeting/Holiday Party at Gina’s home

11/16 Milford Rotary Chapter Meeting:

Visitors: Kevin Dillon, the Executive Director of the Connecticut Airport Authority, at Bradley International Airport, today’s speaker.

Other Announcements and Happy/Sad Fines: Prayer: John DaRin, Pledge – Paul Edwards and 4 Way Test- Sara Happy Fine for Don Wetmore providing an array of interesting speakers.

Peggy Rogers is now at Masonicare in Wallingford. Right off the Merit Parkway. Wooster wing, Room 410. Please take a trip to visit Peggy. She really loves the company. If you have any questions, give Frank Perry a shout, fjmaperry@att.net, to find out if there are any other changes or the best time to visit.

Paul Mangels’ son had his first “big boy” crisis after getting married. A weekend of conflicting wedding schedules – which to attend? The best friend’s or the sister-in-law’s?

Tom Margius provided some Turkey Day jokes from his 88-year-old patient but Cyrus made him pay a fine because they weren’t as good as Dan’s jokes.

“What happens when you cross a turkey with a banjo? You get a turkey that plucks its own feathers.”

“What happens when you cross an octopus with a turkey? You get a lot of drumsticks”

Peggy is doing well and loves having visitors. A happy fine that she still has her sass.



Speaker: Kevin Dillon, "Current State of Air Travel in Connecticut" – one of our most interesting speakers. In addition to running Bradley Airport (and overseeing all CT general aviation airports) Kevin has several goals: Encourage airlines to establish routes in Bradley. Reestablish transnational and international passenger service and transnational and international cargo service. And increase passengers per year from 6 million to 10 million.

Plus, with enough regional passengers going to London to fill 3 runs per day, they are working with airlines to add direct flights to London.

Case in point: Aer Lingus now has direct service from Bradley to Dublin with connections to 26 European cities. When returning, passengers can go through US Customs in Dublin, saving time. Norwegian Air has direct service to Edinburgh and recently ran a \$350 road trip airfare so that you could have gotten your fill of haggis and bagpipes.

So, how does Bradley stack up against LaGuardia and Boston's Logan Airports?

Bradley has 2,600 acres; LaGuardia has 650 acres (that is not a typo) and Bradley is the same size as Logan. Bradley has access to another 350 acres to help develop commercial enterprises that will utilize the airport.

Bradley has 3 runways over 7,000 ft. long; LaGuardia has 2 (not a typo, either) – the length needed.

Bradley is by far the cheapest airport in the NE/NY area for airlines to fly out of. \$9.25/passenger airport fees vs \$14 (Boston) and \$20 (NY) charged to the airlines.

The terminal is adding passenger services including a Two Roads Brewer, a first class lounge open to *anyone* willing to plunk down \$45 – includes unlimited food and other amenities.

As Amazon expands its air shipping business the goal is for Bradley to be one of their primary airline locations, given their humongous warehouse nearby in Bloomfield.

They are working to create a regional transit hub across the street from the terminal with a light rail line connecting to the Windsor Lock train station plus buses to western MA and VT.

Oh, and this (former government) agency was set up as a separate non-federal and quite proactive business-seeking profit-driven agency under the Malloy administration. Rocky, the Rotarian Raptor was rightly impressed with some good news about CT business. (And also, thankful he's a raptor and not a turkey.)

[Beth El Meals– Upcoming Dates:](#)

Dec 6 dinner **Let Shaileen know** if you are helping: shaileenh@gmail.com or 203-258-0841
Dec 16 lunch **Arrival times: Wednesdays:** 4:30pm arrival; leave 6:30pm
Weekends: Cooks- 9am, Servers -10:30 am. Cleanup is always completed by 1:30 pm. High school age teens are welcome to come help.

[Area Rotary Chapters' Events:](#)

Thanksgiving Day Orange Rotary's Turkey Trot

11/30, 3-7 PM at Notre Dame High School, Harvest Pack: West Haven Rotary is assembling 2,000 food packages to go to India. Please come help and invite your family to help, too!