



ASNT CONNECTICUT YANKEE SECTION



JOINT MEETING WITH AWS

Speaker: Timothy Kinnaman

Subject: Welder Certification

Place: Groton Elks, Lodge, 700 Shennecossett Road Groton, CT. 06340

Time: Open (5:30 -6:30 pm), Dinner (6:30 -7:30 pm), Program (7:30-8:30 pm)

Dinner: **Choice of Entrée:** Pizza, salad, dessert
Beverages: Coffee, Tea and CASH BAR

Price: \$25 per Person, please register by **January 10th, 2025**

Timothy Kinnaman is the owner and operator of T.C. Kinnaman Welding Solutions, working as an independent AWS CWI/CWE, ASNT Level II VT/PE, QC Level III, welding technologist / specialist, consultant, inspector, and educator. He is the current AWS District One Director and a member of the ASNT Narragansett Bay Section.

Mr. Kinnaman's welding experience dates to the summer of 1974. Industries involved in over the past 50 years have been in the shipbuilding / marine, (NAVSEA, ABS, CG), electric power generation, (ASME / NBIC), structural steel fabrication, (AWS / AISC), oil and gas, (API), commercial transportation, (US DOT), general fabrication work / custom repair and fabrication, (Farm Code), and welding education, (industry and college level).

In the welding industry, there has been a general misunderstanding, and some confusion over the years, as to what it means to be a "Certified" welder. This presentation will attempt to clarify and hopefully eliminate some of this confusion and controversy surrounding this subject. Based on national welding codes and standards, historical evidence, and a better understanding of the words themselves, the final analysis should hopefully provide some factual clarification and justification concerning this subject.

This presentation was given at one of the Weld-Ed conference sessions in 2023 at the FabTech convention. Dr. Richard Polanin, AWS past president, AWS National Education Committee chair and weld-ed conference facilitator asked Mr. Kinnaman to give a presentation on the difference between welder "Certification" and "Qualification".

Please join us in learning this difference and enjoy a meeting with your friends and associates.

Please register by the due date. The Pizza and Salad needs to be ordered ahead of time.

For any additional information you may contact

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