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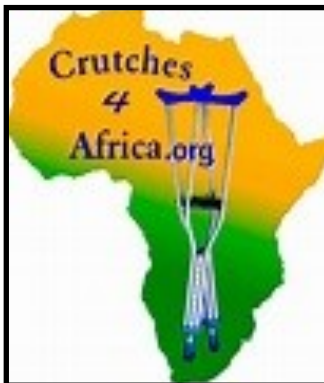
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The Main Event

Spring town cleanup day - Roby Whitehouse announced that on April 14, 2018 will be the annual town cleanup day. Opportunity to meet neighbors and become part of the community in service. Prizes this year for most unique item found and also youth award for children to volunteer. Register on the Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce website because of the consent form and you will be aware if there are any updates or changes due to weather, etc.



International Update Maktha School – Mike Riley presented an update regarding the Maktha School, a project in partnership with the Carnevali Foundation to serve the children of Hyderabad, India. We began in 2011 and now have our first graduates! There are now over 600 children attending the school in 7 classrooms. The sanitation, water, and other projects have immensely helped their educational experience.

\$\$\$\$Happy Bucks\$\$\$\$

- Melissa - new job at CC5, back to attend
- Sue Provencher - 47 years of marriage!
- George Davis
- Jill Albright - bags, Martina made the tennis team, Marines protecting the house
- Matt Johnson - UConn Girls Basketball in the Final Four
- Steve Albright - Leave early buck for Phil, sad bucks for Red Sox giving up runs, and Yankees first win of the season
- Wayne Hohler - picking up service dog for daughter
- Bob Boucher - Dave Akin will be back next week
- Jim Saben - plastic vs. diamonds? Drive-in site discussion, be there! Orioles in first place....for now....
- Ron Thailand - elephants hundreds of vendors sending goods, food, etc. for locals. Making them by hand out of leather scraps. Bought all of them!
- Carole - student got into Harvard, however, he is actually going to MIT and turning down Harvard
- Mike Riley - 4 apology bucks for self-promotion, Dr. Stephen Riley accepted position of director of athletic bands
- Roby - thanks to our speaker, cleanup day - fellowship opportunity

Yarmouth Bags It! Carol Ewing presented on the article passed last year at town meeting to prohibit plastic bags in the town of Yarmouth. Carol began by posing the question, “why prohibit disposable plastic bags?” She then stated that plastic bags cause “unsightly litter on our roads and beaches, pose serious harm to marine life, and is difficult to recycle. Most of the plastic bags end up in the ocean and lakes.” Plastic, as a material, is everywhere and there are 4 to 5 trillion plastic bags made annually around the world. Americans throw out 100 million plastic bags annually. Carol stated that it is estimated that by 2050, there will be more bags of plastic in the oceans than there are fish! Plastic does not break down like other compostable materials. It breaks up into micro plastics, which ends up in drinking water supplies. She stated that 94% of public drinking supplies have found micro plastics in it.

The bylaw in Yarmouth goes into effect on August 30 of this year in the town. There are some exceptions, such as produce bags, newspaper bags, deli/fish counters, and dry cleaners. What can we do to reduce plastic pollution? People should bring their own bags to stores. The easiest solution is for everyone to keep them in cars so they will always be available. Also, for those who are only buying an item or two, say “no bag please”. Another way to reduce plastic use and exposure is not to buy bottled water.

For more information, go to the town website and search “plastic bags” and you will find information. Mary Vilbon noted that reusable lunch bags will be served at lunch on the town cleanup day.

<https://www.yarmouth.ma.us/Search?searchPhrase=plastic%20bags>

DISTRICT 7950
Annual District Conference
May 18—20
Hotel 1620—Plymouth, MA
“Rotary Rocks Plymouth”

International Night This year’s International Night will be held on April 23 at White’s of Westport. This annual event is for those clubs and volunteers who participate in Youth Exchange to celebrate the inbound and outbound students. The club will be purchasing a table. If interested in attending, contact Matt Fitzsimmons or Steve Albright.

-Crutches for Africa - Mike Riley announced that we will be participating in Crutches4Africa program again to be able to provide mobility devices. If you would like to have your business be a drop off location, please let Mike know so we can coordinate the advertising.

TGIFY Writers Needed

If you would like to help with the TGIFY by taking notes each week and helping to write the content, please contact John Cooke. It was noted last week that the Happy Bucks are no longer included in the TGIFY. We can certainly bring back that section, but will need the assistance of club members who are willing to help out. If Interested, please contact John Cooke.

“Sometimes it’s the journey that teaches you a lot about your destination”

Calendar

Apr 6—Stephanie Flynn—Kids Back Pack Program
Apr 12 Grant Training Seminar (Webinar) 6 pm
Apr 13—Jacon Stapleton—Childrens Cove
Apr 14—District Assembly - Whites, Westport 8am—12:30 pm
Apr 20—Dr. Kristen Davies—Child & Family Services
Apr 27—Amy Brigham—Child addition to opiates
May 18—20—District Conference—Hotel 1620 Plymouth MA
May 18—20 RYLA—Sea Camps—Brewster, MA
June 18—Installation of Officers—Cummaquid Golf Club
June 23-27—Rotary International Convention, Toronto, Canada
Sept 20—Golf Tournament—Cummaquid Golf Club 1 pm

Program Committees: Please notify Curly Carey and Steve Albright of your speakers. You are responsible for providing the write up on the speaker for the following week.



2018—2019 Theme

BROWN BAG
April 6
May 4
June 1
July 6
August 3
September 7
October 5
November 2

MEALS ON WHEELS

4/10 Jill & Steve Albright
4/17 Liam Butler & George Davis
4/24 Rafi Chaprut & Charlie Adams
5/1 Fran Webb & Robert Kaull
5/8 Dave Aiken & John Gilligan
Substitutes Steve Albright
Frank Mastromauro

MEET
at the Yarmouth Senior Ctr.
528 Forest Rd., South Yarmouth
9:30 A.M.

FRONT DESK

4/6 Ann Knell & F. Mastromauro
4/13 Jim Saben & Brian Sullivan
4/20 Roby Whitehouse & Jim Bogle
4/27 Bob Boucher & John Gilligan
5/4 Peter Murray & Bernie Nugent
5/11 Steve & Jill Albright

PLEASE be available at 6:30 AM on your scheduled Friday. If you cannot attend, please swap with another committee member.

GUEST POLICY
Prospective members
are the guests of the
Club for their first
meeting.

GREETER

Apr 6 Joe Potzka
Apr 13 Susan Provencher
Apr 20 Jim Quirk
Apr 27 Mike Riley
May 4 Jim Saben
May 11 Bill Savicki
May 18 Elena Schuck
May 25 Curt Sears
June 1 Dean Sherman

April
Maternal and Child Health
Kevin Lennon

May
Youth Service
Dave Akin