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MEETINGS: FRIDAY, 7:00 AM, HEARTH 'N KETTLE, SO. YARMOUTH

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The Main Event



Matt Fitzsimmons

Attorney Fitzsimmons' estate and probate practice centers on trust and estate planning and administration, and guardianship and conservatorship law. Bridging with his litigation experience, Attorney Fitzsimmons concentrates on representing nursing home residents in appeals of denials of MassHealth benefits, and in defending estates from claims made by MassHealth for benefits paid.

He helps people think about the future, from who gets what to who should be in charge. He helps build family trees or friends trees to really decide who gets what. They also look at power of attorney and health proxies so if something happens now there is someone to help.

By creating a trust, it privatizes the will information and items don't fall to probate. Trusteeship is instantaneous.

Insurance is also key to protect yourself. Long care insurance in the event you need long care help in the future. Also, it is important to check your auto insurance. It is important to have underinsured and uninsured insurance in the event you get in an accident and they fall short. Homestead insurance ensures that if you pay your mortgage a lien can't take away your home.

For more information see Matt or any of the other great attorneys we have as members in our club.



Zara Norris
DYHS Rising Star

Zara grew up in Florida and it was hard to get used to the small town feel coming from a large city.

After joining the Gay Straight Alliance club, she was able to find her voice. She realized that by taking hard classes and making hard decisions gained a voice.

She had a back injury and felt unheard. They expected her to push through pain and being under 18 did not want to put her through any type of medication. This has caused



This weeks rising star from Cape Cod Tech will be Sophia Riker. She will be introduced by Principal Billy Terranova.

The Rotary Foundation:

Any time of the year is always a great time to make a contribution to the Rotary Foundation. You can designate the Annual Fund, Polio Plus where your contribution will be matched by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation 2 to 1, or you can choose any of the seven areas of Focus to designate your contribution to. For more information or how to donate to the Rotary Foundation, please feel free to speak with Steve Albright who chairs the Rotary Foundation Committee for our cub.

Announcements

December Birthdays
12/30 Jim Quirk

December Anniversaries
12/5 Mary & Dave Botting—32 yrs.
12/17 Abby & Bob McInnis—70 yrs.
12/19 Karen & Howie Onik—38 yrs.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Currently we will be doing Meal on Wheels the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday of Every Month

December 17—Chantal Rice & Ken Livingston
December 31—Joe Potzka & Tom Deltz
January 7—Bill Boyd & Frank Mastromauro
January 21—Sally Bowles & Steve Crum
Substitutes Steve Albright or Frank Mastromauro
Meet at the Yarmouth Senior Ctr.
528 Forest Rd., South Yarmouth, MA
9:30 AM

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

Tomas Tolentino - Rising Star, Town Meeting approval of ME Small feasibility study
Curley Carey - Alabama being whooped, John Herr and his legacy
Matt Fitzsimmons - St. David's food Pantry helping pack food
Jim Seymour - John Herr donations to Cape Veterans Outreach, Rising Star, Matt
Carol Woodbury - Zara, Matt, John Herr
Jill Albright- Zara, Matt, John Herr, into new home on Monday
Dick Corsini - Zara, John Herr, was in Normandy on Veterans Day
Joe Potzka - 3 weeks in Indonesia, Rising Star, John Herr
Barry Clayman - for the person who died in the tragic sewer accident
Brian B. Smith- Rising Star Zara, DY,
Barbara Adams - John Herr such an amazing kind man
Mark Amores- trip to Indonesia many years ago



FRONT DESK

Dec. 5—Janet Soja & Chantal Rice
Dec. 12—Andi Taylor & Wendy Brown
Dec. 19—Ken Shytanian & Roby Whitehouse
Dec. 26—Merry Christmas

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

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Dec. 5—Annual Meeting
December 12 - Holiday Auction (Begins at 6:30 am)
December 19—DY Chorus
December 26—Merry Christmas (No Meeting)
January 2—Happy New Years (No Meeting)

GUEST POLICY

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

GREETER

December 5—Dave Akin
Dec. 12—Jill Albright
Dec. 19—Barbara Adams
Dec. 26—Merry Christmas
Jan. 2—No Meeting

SCHEDULES

The schedules through for Front Desk and Meals on Wheels have been updated through the end of the year.

They can be found on the home page on the Yarmouth Rotary Website. All you need to do is click on the link on the left side of the home page.

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

December
Disease Prevention & Treatment
Tomas Tolentino

January
Vocational Service
Vacant

HOLIDAY AUCTION

December 12, 2025

Breakfast Buffet \$20 starts at 6:00 am

Auction begins at 6:30 am

If you have any items for the auction, please contact Chantal Rice or

Elizabeth McInnis

Cash, Checks and Credit Cards are welcome forms of payment.



District Rotary Foundation Chair Steve Albright and Sgt. At Arms Bill Boyd presented foundation awards to Immediate Past President Jim Seymour for the clubs giving in the Rotary year 2024-25. Bill Boyd had the honor of receiving the awards at the recent held Foundation Luncheon on November 15. Awards that the club received were the Polio Plus Award (A minimum of \$1,500 to Polio Plus), 100% giving with a club average of \$100 per member and the 100% giving with an individual minimum giving of at least \$25 per member. Congratulations to Jim and to the club for their continuing giving to the Rotary Foundation and to the Polio plus campaign. We are so close to eradicating Polio from the face of the earth. Keep up the great work.



Support Crutches 4 Africa



Enable disabled in developing countries to have hope, dignity, health and access

Keep aluminum out of our landfills

Crutches 4 Africa - Collection of items for the Crutches 4 Africa is an ongoing project,

Joe Potzka has taken over the leadership of this program.

If you, your relatives, friends or neighbors have any mobility devices please collect them and turn them in at the Yarmouth Transfer Station. You can also reach out to Lou if you need them picked up. Watch for people throwing them out when you visit the transfer station yourself. I saw someone discarding 3 great canes and was able to rescue them before they went into the dumpster.

Thank you to Roby for allowing us to use a storage container at the Yarmouth Waste Facility.

GOOD WORKS EMAIL ADDRESS: The Good Works Committee has a new email address. All

correspondences and applications for assistance can be sent to the new email address. In addition applications for assistance can be found on the home page of our website. The new email address is:

rotaryclubyarmouth26580@gmail.com

Life is like a camera—Focus on what's important; Capture the good times; Develop from the negatives; and if things don't work out; Take another shot

Mon.	7:00 AM	Barnstable Sunrise	YMCA Rt. 132, Hyannis, MA
Tues.	7:30 AM	Nauset /Orleans	Gibson Sotheby's Realty 6 MA 6A, Orleans, MA 02653
	5:30 PM	Falmouth	Check their Website for Meeting Place as it varies
Wed	12:10 PM PM	Martha's Vineyard	Portuguese—American Club 137 Vineyard Ave, Oaks Bluff
	11:45 AM	Nantucket	2nd & 4th Weds. Fairgrounds Restaurant, 27 Fairgrounds Rd. Nantucket, MA
	6:15PM	Chatham	400 East, 1421 Orleans-Harwich Rd. Harwich, Ma 02645
Thur.	7:00 AM	Bourne-Sandwich	Upper Cape Regional Technical High School
	7:00 AM	Harwich-Dennis	Grumpy's, 1408 Rt. 6A, Dennis, MA 02660
	8:00 AM	Osterville/Mashpee	Cap Cod Coffee Roasters 53 Market Street, Mashpee Commons, Mashpee, MA 02649
	12:00	Hyannis	Alberto's Restaurant 360 Main St. Hyannis, MA

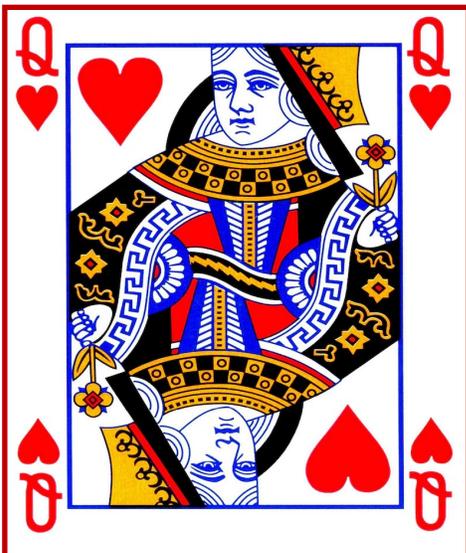
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ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

December

Jan Tkaczyk 32 yrs
Pat Armstrong 25 yrs
Dave Botting 16 yrs
Charlie LoBue 15 yrs
Brian Braginton Smith 12 yrs
Ken Sheytanian 9 yrs

Thank you for your years of Service Above Self and all that you do for our Club, our Community and the world.



Another great game of Queen of Hearts is in progress.

The Jackpot now stands at:
 \$222.00 plus this weeks Pot \$\$\$
 You need to buy a ticket to win!!!

1 for \$1.00

6 for \$5.00

How many weeks will it take this time to find the Queen of Hearts?

You have to BUY A TICKET OR SIX to win.



Newsletter Fall 2025

Cape Cod Brite Lights is now five years into our purpose of Helping Cape and Island Residents. We started with weekend nutrition for thirty elementary school children. This has grown to over 60 students who are provided with healthy options for weekend nutrition.

Our next outreach was to provide hygiene for high school students. This grew to include both the Dennis Yarmouth High School and Cape Tech High School and again grew to include two of the elementary schools.

A need for shoes for graduating seniors was identified and we were able to assist. This fall, the need for building blocks, whiteboard markers, glue sticks and binders was identified and again, Cape Cod Brite Lights was able to help. Also identified was a need for Kleenex and disinfection wipes, something teachers had been purchasing with their own funds. Cape Cod Brite Lights was again able to help out.

Additionally, we continue to support the Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce and the Yarmouth Police Department with gift cards to local grocery stores. These help those in need who could just use a little boost.

With the holiday season fast approaching, Cape Cod Brite Lights will be assisting the Yarmouth Rotary Club in providing holiday meals for both Thanksgiving and Christmas to families identified by the schools as needing help.

All this would not be possible without the generous support of our donors. With our all-volunteer workers, 100% of your donation goes to help others. We thank you for your continued support as Cape Cod Brite Lights continues to search for ways to help our fellow Cape Codder's.

Thank you

The Board of Directors, Cape Cod Brite Lights, Inc

<https://www.capecodbritelightsinc.com>

Cape Cod Brite Lights Inc .PO Box 286, West Yarmouth MA 02673

To Donate, Click on the QR Code



Crutches For Africa

A Continuous Project by Yarmouth Rotary Club

Crutches for Africa is not a new project to our Rotary Club. We as a club have done collections for this great service and International project twice before. The first time we collected over 700 mobility devices and the second time we collected over 400 mobility devices. We are now hoping to set this up as an ongoing project. Joe Potzka along with members of the International Committee are heading this project up, but we would like all Yarmouth Rotarians to help out. Search for any of the desired items in your home, your extended families homes and your neighbors homes. Round up all of the devices and drop them off at the transfer station where we have a storage trailer to store them. They can be dropped off at the gate house just before you drop off your trash and recyclables. If you need help please give Lou Presiosi a call or send him a text to arrange pickup of your items. All of the items collected will be shipped to Africa to help disabled individuals gain mobility that they never have had.



Items that we are looking to collect include: Leg Braces; Crutches; Forearm Crutches; Walkers; Wheelchairs; Prosthetic Limbs; Baby Joggers and Strollers and Bike Trailers. No Commodes or any other type of Personal Hygiene Equipment.

(Also No Electric Wheelchairs)



Leg Braces



Crutches



Forearm Crutches



Walkers



Wheelchairs



Prosthetic Limbs



Baby Joggers & Strollers



Bike Trailers

2025-2026 OFFICERS

President	Paul Chatelain	Public Image	Karina Polk
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Vocational Service	Chantal Rice	Sergeant –At-Arms	Bill Boyd
Club Administration	Brian Braginton Smith		

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Barbara Adams +2	Bill Glass +3	Joe Potzka
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Dave Akin	Dr. Bruce Gordon +4	Shirley Putman
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Robert Boucher	Barbara LeFleur	Ken Sheytanian +4
Bill Boyd+1	Fern Lemay	Janet Soja +2
Sally Bowles +2	Kevin Lennon +3	Dick St. George
Brian Braginton Smith	John Leon, Jr.	Kathy St. George
Jack Braginton Smith	Jim & Pat Leighton	Esther Stochetti
Rick Cannon	Mary Lenihan	Jefferson Sherman Storm
Gerald "Curley" Carey +1	John Lewist	Jerry Sullivan
Giuseppe Carnevali	Bob Lindquist	Jim Sullivan
Jacqueline Carnevali	Charles LoBue	Paul Tardif
Peter Carnes +1	John Lynch	Art Taylor
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Bob Churchill	Jerry Manning	Jan Tkaczyk
Barry Clayman (Major Donor)	Tom Martin	Bernice Todres
Gail Clayman (Major Donor)	Frank Mastromauro	Dr. Tom Tomasik
Carol Clossen	Ken McGuire	Mike Tulman
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Finbarr Corr	Linda McKnight +1	Ron Umbro
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Richard Covell	Dave Miller	Mary Vilbon
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Dylan DeSilva	Margaret Morgan	James Walker Sr.
Bob Dubois	Phil Morris	Marlyn Walker
Mike Duffy	G. Anthony Morrison	Erik Wallin
Kenneth Eubanks	Peter Murray	Connie Weare
Marianne Eubanks +1	Bernie Nugent	Norme Weare +3
Leslie Fedge	Bud Nugent	Fran Webb +1
Jim Footer	Judi Olkkola	Bob Wells +2
Dale Fornoff	Howard Onik	Roby Whitehouse +1
Paul Funk	Marilyn Padalino	Carol Woodbury
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Nancy Gardner	Rick Plumb	
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Gerald Carey	2020-21
John Gilligan	2021-22
Roby Whitehouse	2022-23
Jill Albright	2023-24
James Seymour	2024-25

*Deceased

THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?"





SHINE A LIGHT ON A CHILD'S FUTURE

Cape Cod Brite Lights, Inc. supports Cape and Islands residents in times of need. You can make a real difference in a child's life with a small monthly contribution.

With \$240/year or \$20/month, you can fill a child's backpack for an entire school year.



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