

# T-G-I-F-I-Y



*"Thank Goodness It's Friday in Yarmouth!"*



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**Sharon Johnson DG.**

## **THE ROTARY CLUB OF YARMOUTH, MASSACHUSETTS**

**SERVING OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD FOR 35 YEARS**

**Box 448, South Yarmouth MA 02664**

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

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## The Main Event

### Joe Potzka - Peace in Rotary

#### Rotary Peace Fellowships

Every year Rotary selects some of the world's brightest and most dedicated professionals to study at seven Peace Centers around the world.

They have over 1400 program-alumni working in over 115 countries and they serve as leaders in government and non-governmental organizations.

Up to 130 students per year receive fully funded fellowships to pursue studies in peace and development. The fellowship pays for tuition, fees, room and board, round trip transportation, as well as all field work experience fees. They finish with items starting at certifications up to master's degrees.

Rotary also works with the Institute for Economics and Peace. They are the leader in the study of peace and conflict, to address the causes of conflict and create conditions that foster peace. The partnership focuses on education and training in Positive Peace.

While negative peace is usually defined as the absence of violence, Positive Peace looks at underlying conditions that lead to more peaceful societies, including good governance, access to needed services, a sound business environment, and respect for human rights.



### Damian Cook – Senior Automotive Tech – Cape Cod Tech Rising Star for February

Damian is the Eastern Region Vice-President Skills USA. Like Rotary, they spend a lot of time doing community service. He also serves as captain of both the lacrosse and football varsity teams.



**RIISING STAR**—This weeks rising star is from Dennis Yarmouth Regional High School. Hannah Willis will be joined by her Guidance Councilor Dale Fornoff and her parents and grandparents.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**WELCOME BACK TO THE SECOND HALF OF THE ROTARY CALENDAR**

*If you haven't been to meeting lately, please come and share the fellowship.  
We miss you.*

**Do Something.**

**If it works, do more of it.**

**If it doesn't, do something else.**

(Franklin D. Roosevelt)

## Support Crutches 4 Africa



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

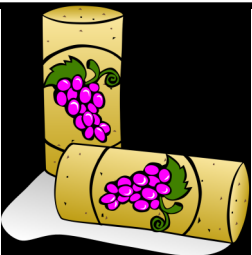
Keep aluminum  
out of our landfills

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

Lou Preziosi 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 or the Boy Scout Office. 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.



**COVID & CORKS**—Wine cork recycling benefits our earth's sustainability. The Rotary Club of Yarmouth keeps on collecting corks and to date we have shipped at least 10 boxes of corks be recycled and then upcycled. Funded by the Widget Company, Cork Club is a sustainability initiative started in 2007. The goal of the Cork Club is to grow wine cork recycling and make donations to causes that protect our oceans and forests. The Cork Club donates to non-profit entities that clean plastic from our oceans, prevent deforestations and teach better ways to live in harmony with our environment. To date Cork Club has donated \$121,800 to these projects. For each natural cork, 2 cents is donated. Synthetic corks are recycled properly. So enjoy your wine and save the corks. All corks can be given to Carol Woodbury who will then ship them to Cork Club. **KEEP THOSE CORKS COMING!!!!**

**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**

**"We all require and want respect, man, woman, black or white.**

**It's our basic human right."**

**Aretha Franklin**

# Announcements

Feb. 14—Carol Woodbury

**Words of Inspiration/Wisdom Schedule**

Feb. 21 – Brian Braginton Smith

Feb. 28 – Mary Lenihan

Mar. 7 – Elizabeth McInnis

Mar.14 – Jim McLoughlin

Mar. 21 – Andi Taylor

Mar. 28 – Carol Woodbury

Apr. 4 – Steve Albright

Apr. 11 – Jill Albright

April 18 – Deacon Dave Akin returns

## MEALS ON WHEELS

February 18—F. Mastromauro & K. Livingston

February 25—Steve & Jill Albright

March 4—Phil Morris & Carol Woodbury

March 11—Dr. Tom Tomasik &

March 18—Steve Crum & Bill Lemoine

March 25—Steve & Jill Albright

April 1—Bill Boyd & Tom Deltz

Substitutes Steve Albright or Frank  
Mastromauro

Meet at the Yarmouth Senior Ctr.

528 Forest Rd., South Yarmouth, MA

9:30 AM

## February Birthday's

Feb. 6 Jan Tkaczyk

Feb. 23 Jim Leighton

Feb. 29 George Davis

## February Anniversaries

Feb. 20 Deborah & Phil Morris

Feb. 24 Cathy & Peter Murray

## FRONT DESK

February 14—Bernie Nugent & Hollie Handrahan

February 21—Wendy Brown & Bud Nugent

February 28—Dave Botting & Tom Deltz

March 7—Jan Martin & Bill Lemoine

March 14—Matt Fitzsimmons & Jill Albright

March 21—Andi Taylor & Roby Whitehouse

March 28—Rufus Jones & George Davis

## Calendar

February 14—Randy Lickey—Duke –UNC Rotary Peace Center

February 21—TBD

February 28—Rufus Jones—THRIVE

**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

February 14—Chuck Carey

February 21—Curley Carey

February 28—Paul Chatelain

March 7—Barry Clayman

March 14—John Cooke

March 21—George Davis

March 28—Steve Crum

## 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.

February

Peace & Conflict Resolution

Rufus Jones & Joe Potzka

March

Water & Sanitation

Roby Whitehouse

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

### February

**George Davis                      16 years**

**Tomas Tolentino                  3 years**

**Bill Boyd                             2 years**

**Thank you for everything you do for our community, Yarmouth Rotary and Rotary International.  
Thank you for your years of Service Above Self and all that you do for our Club and our Community.**

## **2025 HELPING HANDS ACTIVITY SCHEDULED**

### **May 17, 2025—Rotary Day of Service**

**"Friendship was the foundation rock on which Rotary was built and tolerance is the element which holds it together"**

***"Paul Harris"***

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

**Bud Nugent** - 15th annual Xiarhos blood drive

**Jackie Carnivalli** - Very happy to be back, look forward to working with club for new WASH grant.

**Bill Glass** - Rising Star.

**Lou Presiosi**- Dave Botting and his influence in community, Rising star, Joe Potzka.

**Carol Woodbury** - Rising Star.

**Jim Seymour** - Rising Star.



**Food Supplies at the Pantry are very low and the demand for the services of the food pantry have increased significantly. If you can make any type of food donation it would be greatly appreciated.**

### **THESE ITEMS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED AT THE YARMOUTH FOOD PANTRY**

Canned Pasta  
Mac & Cheese  
Peanut Butter  
Jelly  
Cereal

Syrup  
Tuna Fish  
Soup  
Instant Potatoes  
Nutri-Grain Bars

Drop your donations off at the Pantry Mon—Thurs. 10am to 12 noon.  
Mail check donations to Yarmouth Food Pantry, PO Box 982  
West Yarmouth, MA 02673

### **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 club.

Rotary is a global network of 1.4 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Ask a relative, a friend, a neighbor, a business associate or a co-worker to join us so we all can do more in our community and our world.



We have a new Queen of Hearts game going on every week.

The Jackpot now stands at:  
\$396.00 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?

2/7/25

#### CAPE COD BRITE LIGHTS

Cape Cod Brite Lights a501c(3) corporation that was started by our Rotary Club is now in it's third year. Its mission is "to help those in need on Cape Cod. "Our main focus to date has been to provide weekend backpacks of nutritional food for needy elementary students in the DY School System. A backpack of food consists of shelf stable milk (white & chocolate), juice carton, cereal, instant oatmeal, two proteins which could be a can of tuna, chicken, pasta, soup or beef stew, a cup of apple sauce, macaroni and cheese, Nutra grain fruit granola bar, cheese its, fruit snacks, pudding cup and 2 pieces of fruit. In addition, to give each student some activities to do during the holiday break we put a coloring book and crayons in each bag. We started with a total of 25 students but have grown to 45, an increase of over 80%. In addition, with the assistance of Interact we have started to provide the school nurse with feminine products for high school girls. In addition we will be providing students in need with bags of hygiene products during the upcoming school year. The Interact Club has applied for a District Grant to support this project.

#### How you can help:

**First:** Currently we have a board of directors of 11 members. Our bylaws allow us to have a maximum number of 13. If you would like to be a part of our leadership, please contact Steve Albright.

**Second:** We fill the backpacks and bags of food every Wednesday night at 5:30PM at the Yarmouth Food Pantry. If you would like to help one or two nights a month, again please contact Steve Albright. Currently we have enlisted the local Girl Scout Troop to help on the first Wednesday of each month and the DY Interact Club to help on the third Wednesday of each month. We are trying to make it a community organization where anybody can be a part of it.

**Third:** It costs \$300—\$350 yearly to support one child's backpack and although we don't have a total figure on the hygiene project, we know that the items provided are costly. You can make a donation to support these two projects by sending your check to:

**Cape Cod Brite Lights—PO Box 286, West Yarmouth, MA 02673-0286**

Or you can visit our website at [Capecodbritelightsinc.com](http://Capecodbritelightsinc.com) and make a contribution with your credit or debit card. In addition you can now sign up to make monthly donations to Brite Lights. A smaller amount each month makes it much easier. Visit our Website.

**Fourth:** Visit our website and learn more about us. [Capecodbritelightsinc.com](http://Capecodbritelightsinc.com)



## **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. Lou Preziosi 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**



## 2024-2025 OFFICERS

President	Jim Seymour	Public Image	Roby Whitehouse, PP
President Elect	Paul Chatelain	New Generations	Bill Glass
Vice President	Tomas Tolentino	Secretary	Mary Lenihan
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International Service	Joe Potzka	Past President	Jill Albright, PP
Vocational Service	Chantal Rice	Sergeant –At-Arms	Bill Boyd
Club Administration	Brian Braginton Smith		

## PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Barbara Adams +2	Bill Glass +2	Joe Potzka
Charlie Adams +3	Susan Glass	Larry Putman
Dave Akin	Dr. Bruce Gordon +4	Shirley Putman
Jill Albright (Major Donor)	Tom Gregory	Jim Quirk
Steve Albright (Major Donor)	Faith Hallett	Pam Rideout
Dave Angelica	Sharon Hartley	Richard Rideout
Dick Appleton	Ron Hawes	Denise Ring
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Pat Armstrong	John Herr (Major Donor)	Jim Saben
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William Bergstrom	Bob Huckman +1	Brian Salatiello
David Bisbee	Sue Huckman	Dr. Paula Santos
Judi Bisbee	Matthew Johnson +2	Elena Schuck
Blood Donor Center at CC Hospital	Johnny Kelley	Curt Sears
Jim Bogle	Howard Kendall +3	Jim Seymour
Jack Bohlin	Nicholas Kerrigan	Marcia Shannon
Rick Boucher	Kenneth Knell	Dr. David Seinkppf
Robert Boucher	Barbara LeFleur	Ken Sheytanian +4
Bill Boyd	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 Stocchetti
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
Rafi Chaprut	Jack MacLelland +1	Mary Ann Taylor
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
John Cooke + 2	Dorcas McGurrian	Tom Ulrich +2
Hal Cooper	Robert McInnis	Josephine Umbro
Finbarr Corr	Linda McKnight +1	Ron Umbro
Dick Corsini	Lou McKnight	Scott Vandersall
Richard Covell	Dave Miller	Mary Vilbon
Therese D'Abre	John Miller	James Walker Jr. +3
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
Paul Funk	Howard Onik	Roby Whitehouse +1
Sgt. Sean Gannon, YPD	Marilyn Padalino	Carol Woodbury
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Nancy Gardner	Linda Pisacano	
Betey Ghiazza	Rick Plumb	
Ed Ghiazza		

## ROTARY CLUB OF YARMOUTH

### PAST PRESIDENTS

Richard K. Corsini	1989-90
Jerome J. Sullivan	1990-91
Linda McKnight	1991-92
Thomas J. Martin	1992-93
Phil Morris	1993-94
Rick Plumb	1994-95
Pam Rideout	1995-96
Judi Olkkola	1996-97
Esther Stocchetti	1997-98
Rick Cannon	1998-99
Barbara LaFleur	1999-00
Rob Umbro	2000-01
Sally Bowles	2001-02
Jack MacLelland	2002-03
Jan Tkaczyk	2003-04
Rick Boucher	2004-05
Pat Armstrong	2005-06
Dorcas McGurrian	2006-07
Tom Tomasik	2007-08
Marianne Eubanks	2008-09
David Bisbee	2009-10
Jacqueline Adams	2010-11
Mike Riley	2011-12
Susan Provencher	2012-13
Stephen Albright	2013-14
Stephen Albright	2014-15
Tammy Saben	2015-16
Melissa Farrell	2016-17
Matthew Fitzsimmons	2017-18
Kevin Lennon	2018-19
Gerald Carey	2019-20
Gerald Carey	2020-21
John Gilligan	2021-22
Roby Whitehouse	2022-23
Jill Albright	2023-24

## 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?"

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