

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

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## The Main Event

**Cape Cod Tech Rising Star** - This month's Cape Tech rising star was Danielle Shanahan. Her guidance counselor described her as a go getter that the administrators and teachers rely on to get things done. She is instrumental in launching new programs and is a cornerstone of the school. Her focus is on early-childhood education focus. Her aspirations after high school are similar to that of Rotary, where community service and citizenship are important aspects. Her foster brother is the one who inspired her to want to work with kids. Addressing the club, Danielle said, "I want to help other kids who have been neglected or abused in any way I can." She intends to go to Cape Cod Community College and transfer to one of the state universities. She is also thinking about doing community service on a large scale, perhaps with the Peace Corps. She will do well wherever she goes!



**Guest Speaker - Don Cox - Cape Cod Military Support Foundation, Inc.** – This week's guest speaker was Don Cox from the Cape Cod Military Support Foundation. The organization began to serve as a conduit between military on the base and local civilian agencies to provide aid, assistance, and comfort to the men, women, and families stationed at Joint Base Cape Cod. The organization has five points of support: Chaplain's Fund, Children's Fund, Education Fund, Military Awards Banquet, and the Family Fund. The Chaplain's Fund is devoted to supporting military and their families in times of need, providing gas cards, financial and medical support when needed. Don mentioned that most of the budget cuts and government sequestration have not been on weapons and defense funding, but rather, in pay and especially co-payment for medical expenses. The Children's Fund is to help children feel special as part of the military family. Programs include an annual Easter egg hunt, Operation Backpack for school supplies, and Operation Santa. The fund provides tickets to local events as well. The Education Fund provides scholarships to family members and supports military personnel in continuing education in preparation for the transition to civilian life. The Military Awards Banquet honors soldiers who go above and beyond their normal duties and is a way to recognize a job well done in front of peers. The Family Fund is the main fund which supports the other funds and allows the organization to share donations with other military units in the state.

Don also mentioned that they have formed the Massachusetts Military Support Foundation to expand coverage to the other 6 bases in the commonwealth. The Cape Cod Military Foundation was the pilot program, and due to the need in other areas, has now expanded.

There are 3 major fundraising events throughout the year. The Pot of Gold will be held on March 11 this year and normally \$40,000 to \$80,000 is raised, which will sustain all children's programs throughout the year. In the summer, they hold a golf tournament at the Ridge Club. Bobby Orr helps to pair a celebrity with a military officer to each foursome. There are usually 25 groups, which raises \$100,000 for the Chaplain's Fund. Annual Awards Ceremony in November is also a source of revenue, with auction items and ad program sponsorships.

For more information on the Cape Cod Military Support Foundation or to donate, visit [www.capecodmilitaryfoundation.org](http://www.capecodmilitaryfoundation.org).

**Fellowship at Captain Parkers** – The fellowship dinner on Wednesday, January 31 at Captain Parkers Pub was a success and well attended with 45 people who enjoyed fellowship and great food. Gerry Manning addresses the group and thanked everyone for their support. Kevin Lennon thanks Gerry for his 25 years of supporting the Children's Christmas Party and we look forward to our continued partnership. For Rotarians who couldn't make it, please visit Captain Parkers this winter to support Gerry and especially his staff.



**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.

"Be the change that you wish to see in the world"  
Mahatma Gandhi

## CALENDAR

Feb 9 - Chris Morin—Independence House  
Feb 10—Prepets & President Training—Whites of Westport 8am—12:30 am  
Feb 13—Grants Training Seminar (Webinar) 6pm  
Mar 8—10—PETS (For Kevin L. Sheraton Framingham MA  
Mar 31 RLI—Amica , Lincoln RI (Open to all members)  
Apr 12 Grant Training Seminar (Webinar) 6 pm  
Apr 14—District Assembly - Whites, Westport 8am—12:30 pm  
Sept 20—Golf Tournament—Cummaquid Golf Club 1 pm

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



## BROWN BAG

March 2  
April 6  
May 4  
June 1  
July 6  
August 3  
September 7

**MEALS ON WHEELS**  
2/13 Rafi Chaprut & Dr. Tom T.  
2/20 Dr. Bruce & John Gilligan  
2/27 Chantel H Rice & Mike Riley  
3/6 Joe Potzka & Ken Sheytanian  
3/13 Scott Vandersall & Ken Livingston  
3/20 Ann Knell & Carol Woodbury  
3/27 F. Mastromauro & Matt Johnson

Substitutes Steve Albright  
Frank Mastromauro

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

## FRONT DESK

2/9 Roby Whitehouse & Jim Bogle  
2/16 Bob Boucher & F. Mastromauro  
2/23 Peter Murray & Bernie Nugent  
3/2 John Gilligan & Bill Lemoine

**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**  
Feb 9 Tom Martin  
Feb 16 Allison McEacheron  
Feb 23 Frank Mastromauro  
Mar 2 Dorcas McGurrian  
Mar 9 Phil Morris  
Mar 16 Peter Murray  
Mar 23 Bernie Nugent  
Mar 30 Bud Nugent  
Apr 6 Joe Potzka

February  
Peace & Conflict Resolution  
Janice Matheson

March  
Water & Sanitation  
Ken Jenks