

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



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



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

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

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## The Main Event

### **Brett Halloran – Town of Yarmouth Natural Resource Officer**

Kevin Lennon introduced our speaker, Brett Halloran. Brett is a Yarmouth Natural Resources Officer. Kevin said that the Natural Resources Department now falls under the Yarmouth Police Chief. All officers go through the state approved training program, carry a badge and a gun and have all arrest and law enforcement privileges exactly the same as one of his police officers.

Brett grew up in Yarmouth and is a 2018 graduate of Dennis Yarmouth High School. He continued on to Fitchburg State University where he graduated from their one-of-a-kind police program in 2022. Brett interned at the Yarmouth Natural Resources while he was in high school and became a seasonal Assistant Harbormaster in 2019.

Brett's duties include patrols around town in his truck, patrolling in one of the Harbormasters boats and overseeing the shellfish areas around town. He also has a special project with green crabs. Green crabs, being a very invasive species in the Cape's waterways, he has a project to remove them and add them to the compost piles at the town recycling area, adding a highly rich ingredient to the compost.

In addition, he is involved in the shell recycling program, where shells are collected from local restaurants, cleaned and then put back into the ocean.

Brett also talked about the boat license requirements coming into effect in the near future.

Anyone operating a motorboat or personal watercraft (Jet ski) in Massachusetts must have a boater safety certificate, it must be carried while on the water.

Deadlines by age: Born after Jan. 1, 1989 must complete the course by April 1, 2026.

Born on or before Jan. 1, 1989 have until April 1, 2028 to get the certificate.

### **What you have to do:**

- Take a state-approved boating safety course. (on line or in person)
- Pass the course.
- Receive the Boater Safety Certificate and keep it with you when operating the boat.

### **Age Rules that Apply:**

Under 12 cannot operate a motorboat unless supervised by an adult.

12 – 15 yrs. Old must complete the course to operate without adult supervision

Under 16 cannot operate a personal watercraft (Jet Ski)



This week's Rising Star is Max Ross. Max will be introduced by his Guidance Councilor, Dale Fornoof. He will be joined by his parents, Principal Kendra Bennett and Superintendent Dr. Marc Smith.

# Announcements

## March Birthdays

3/1 Rafi Chaprut  
 3/4 Bernie Nugent  
 3/12 Barbara Adams  
 3/18 Jim McLoughlin  
 3/20 Bill Boyd  
 3/24 Tom Deltz  
 3/29 Pam Rideout  
 3//31 Jimmy Walker

March Anniversaries  
 No Anniversaries

## MEALS ON WHEELS

Currently we will be doing Meal on Wheels the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays of every month.  
 March 18—Steve Albright & Dr. Bruce Gordon  
 April 1—Joe Potzka & Bill Boyd  
 April 15—Sally Bowles & Steve Crum  
 April 29—Rafi Chaprut & Dr. Bruce Gordon  
 May 6—Chantal Rice & Ken Livingston  
 May 20—Phil Mrris & Carol Woodbury  
 June 3—Bill Boyd & Steve Albright  
 June 17—Chantal Rice & Joe Potzka  
 Substitutes Steve Albright or Frank Mastromauro  
 Meet at the Yarmouth Senior Ctr.  
 528 Forest Rd., South Yarmouth, MA  
 9:30 AM

## Anna Tomasik Graduates from High School.

A lot of us remember Anna Tomasik, daughter of Tom & Sue. Anna use to attend our Rotary meetings regularly with her dad. Thursday was her last day at her school and she will walk across the stage with the Graduating Nauset High School Class in May. She really has no connection with the students at Nauset except for a few from her church as she attended school off of Cape Cod. An email congratulating her on her accomplishments or maybe a card mailed to her would create a great positive feeling for her. Emails can be sent to Anna at [atomasik37@gmail.com](mailto:atomasik37@gmail.com) or you can mail her a card to:

Anna Tomasik 104A Old Long Pond Road, Brewster, MA 02631

## FRONT DESK

March 13—Bill Lemoine & Andi Taylor  
 March 20—Matt Fitzsimmons & Tom Deltz  
 March 27—Roby Whitehouse & Ken Sheytanian  
 April 3—Wendy Brown & Janet Soja  
 April 10— Chantal Rice & Bud Nugent

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

## Calander 2026

March 13—Ryan Chase—Assist. Wastewater Superintendent— Update on Wastewater Project

March 20—Robert Eckel—Executive Director, Cape Cod Tech Foundation

March 27— Nathan Whetten—Senior Project Manager, Town of Yarmouth—Chase Brook Park Update

## GUEST POLICY

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

## GREETER

March 13—Rafi Chaprut  
 March 20—Adra Cohen  
 March 27— John Cooke  
 April 3—Steve Crum  
 April 10—George Davis  
 April 17—Tom Deltz

## SCHEDULES

The schedules for Front Desk and Meals on Wheels have been updated through the end of the June. Thank you to those of you that have volunteered for both f these important jobs.

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.

March  
 Water & Sanitation  
 Roby Whitehouse

April  
 Environment  
 Brian Braginton Smith

## Words of Inspiration Schedule

3/13/26—Rufus Jones

3/20/26—Mary Lenihan

3/27/26—Jim McLoughlin

4/3/26—Deacon Dave Returns

## Save the Date

Golf Tournament 2026

October 1, 2026

Cummaquid Golf Course



## 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](mailto: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

Updated 8/9/24

## ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

### March

**Bob Mc Innis—50 yrs.**

**David Akin—31 yrs.**

**Gerald Carey—22 yrs.**

**John Gilligan—19 yrs.**

**Mary Vilbon—10 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:  
\$401.00 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

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## 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

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Club Administration	Brian Braginton Smith		

### PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

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Charlie Adams +3	Susan Glass	Larry Putman
Dave Akin	Dr. Bruce Gordon +4	Shirley Putman
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Jack Bohlin	Nicholas Kerrigan	Marcia Shannon
Rick Boucher	Kenneth Knell	Dr. David Seinkppf
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
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
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Mike Duffy	G. Anthony Morrison	Erik Wallin
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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
Sgt. Sean Gannon, YPD	Jim Peros	Nickolas G. Xiarnos, USMC
KP Nero, YPD	Linda Pisacano	
Nancy Gardner	Rick Plumb	
Betey Ghiazza		
Ed Ghiazza		

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Rick Plumb	1994-95
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Melissa Farrell	2016-17
Matthew Fitzsimmons	2017-18
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Gerald Carey	2019-20
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?"





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