

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



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



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**THE ROTARY CLUB OF YARMOUTH, MASSACHUSETTS**

**SERVING OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD FOR 30 YEARS**

**BOX 448, SOUTH YARMOUTH MA 02664**

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

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## The Main Event

**Jeff Colby - Director of DPW  
Town of Yarmouth**

### Wastewater Project Update

March 14th was the wastewater groundbreaking event. Several key legislature members were there including Congressman Keating.

Lack of wastewater infrastructure has led to environmental deterioration in Yarmouth due to a reliance on tile 5 Septic that causes nitrogen pollution.

The project is an environmental restoration project; however, it also has an economic component. As part of the revitalization of Route 28 there is hope to bring new business to the area. Businesses have refused to invest in Yarmouth due to the lack of sewers.

Work on Phase 1 of the planned 8 phases has started. The treatment facility was the largest dollar amount of the project. On South Shore Drive they have cleared out space for the facilities.

They are working with the Waze app to update specific routes to help avoid congestion and updated road closures.

They expect people and businesses will be able to connect to sewers as early as 2027.

Work will cease between Memorial Day and Labor Day on the roadwork projects.



**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)



**SAVE THE DATE**

**Tuesday September 24, 2024**

**Our 34th Annual Golf Tournament at Cummaquid Golf Club**

**Items we will need: Golfers, Sponsors, Raffle Donations  
(Silent and drop item raffle)**

## DEIB Information Corner

### Twining:

Late last night Myles went on & on about how he had to be twins with a boy in his class for Twin Day because they look exactly the same-same eyes, same hair. He was adamant that they were identical. So, after the kids went to bed, I headed to Walmart at 9pm to get matching outfits. Their teacher sent me this picture today. My heart melted. Obviously two very different children, but Myles didn't see that. Wouldn't the world be a better place if we could all view it through the eyes of a couple of 5 yrs. olds?

Credit: Ann Marie A. Swift Found on X, formerly Twitter



### SHARING YOUR DEIB MOMENT

A goal of our **Club's** DEIB Committee for the 2023-2024 Rotary year is to continue to have a Club member share their DEIB moment during our Club meetings held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month. Our weekly Rotary meetings are a safe place and time for all to share their personal experiences on diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging.

If you are interested in presenting your DEIB moment to our membership during a Club meeting, please contact Ann Knell to sign up and schedule a date to share your DEIB moment.

DEIB Committee Members: Rufus Jones (Chair), Bruce Gordon, Bill Boyd, Jane Cain, Hollie Handrahan, Ann Knell, Frank Mastromauro, Joe Potzka, Sara Grambach

# Announcements

RI President elect Stephanie Urchick recently announce the theme she has chosen for the 2025-25 Rotary Year. Stephanie from the Rotary Club of McMurray, PA will become the 2nd female RI President in the history of Rotary International. She has chosen “The Magic of Rotary” as her theme to inspire Rotarians to continue doing great things in our communities and the world.



## MEALS ON WHEELS

Apr. 2— Carol Woodbury & Phil Morris  
 April 9—Bill Lemoine & Steve Crum  
 April 16 -- Chantal Rice & Sally Bowles  
 April 23—Dr. Tom Tomasik & Tom Deltz  
 April 30 -- Dr. Bruce Gordon & Phil Morris  
 Substitutes Steve Albright or Frank Mastromauro  
 Meet at the Yarmouth Senior Ctr.  
 528 Forest Rd., South Yarmouth, MA  
 9:30 AM

## FRONT DESK

Mar. 29— Jimmy Walker & Bob McInnis  
 April 5—Paul Chatelain & Chris Morin  
 April 12—Bud Nugent & Bernie Nugent  
 April 19—Chantal Rice & Andi Taylor  
 April 26—Bill Savicki & Tom Deltz

## March Birthday's

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

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

## Calendar

March 29—Laurie Ruzsala, Water/Wastewater Superintendent—Yarmouth Water Update

## GUEST POLICY

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

## GREETER

March 29—Hollie Handrahan  
 April 5—Rufus Jones  
 April 12—Ann Knell  
 April 19—Jim Leighton

## SCHEDULES

The schedules through the end of the year for Front Desk and Meals on Wheels have been updated through the end of June.  
 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  
 Maternal & Child Health  
 Tomas Tolentino

## \$\$\$\$ HAPPY BUCKS \$\$\$\$

Phil Morris – His Health

Carol Woodbury – Jeff and the work he is doing.

Mary Lenihan – Jeff – Trip to Italy.

Jim Seymour – Jeff – Keynote Speaker at District Training.

Andrea Taylor – Jeff – Hope to see the sewers while she is still here.

Chantal Rice – Heading to Maine for Skiing.

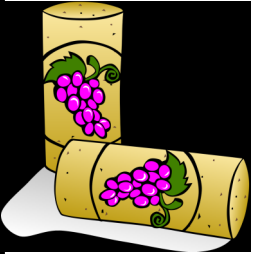
Pat Armstrong – Phil, Glad you are back – Jeff – Nice to be back at meetings.

Frank Mastromauro – Went to Washington DC to see his Marine son.



**HELP WANTED: Needed one to three club members that can share the duties of writing the articles for the weekly TGIFY. Tomas has been doing a lot of the writing this past year but has taken on other duties in the club. Steve Albright has been doing the layout, finding additional information/stories and publishing the TGIFY for the past 12 years and will continue to do this but cannot take on the additional job of writing. To volunteer or find out additional information contact Tomas or Steve. If nobody steps up to volunteer it could mean the end of or major changes to the TGIFY. In addition, the DEIB committee has been providing weekly submissions for the newsletter and we have a DEIB speaker every other week so the workload has increased.**

**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 to 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 Jill Albright who will then ship them to Cork Club. **KEEP THOSE CORKS COMING!!!!**



**Cutches 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.

**MEALS ON WHEELS** – Currently Meals on Wheels is experiencing a shortage of drivers for the delivery of daily meals. If you have a couple of hours one day a week and can volunteer to deliver meals for them, please contact the Elder Services Group at the Yarmouth Senior Center. They are there Monday – Friday from 9 -11. These deliveries are in addition to the service that we provide them through our weekly deliveries on Tuesday.

## ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

### March

Bob McInnis—48 Years

David Akin—29 Years

Gerald “Curley” Carey—20 Years

John Gilligan—17 Years

Mary Vilbon—8 Years

Chris Morin—1 Year

Thank you for everything you do for our community, Yarmouth Rotary and Rotary International.

### 2024 HELPING HANDS ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

#### MARCH

Saturday March 30, 2024                      Spring Cleanup -Baker Square and Town Hall Garden and Sign Garden

#### APRIL

Saturday April 6, 2024                      YPD 9/11 Memorial spring cleanup

Saturday April 20, 2024                      Yarmouth Annual Community Cleanup Day  
(on or about)

#### MAY

Saturday May 11,2024                      Rebuild Town Hall Sign Garden – TBD

(Tentative)                                      The town is currently evaluating proposal to replace the Town Hall Sign. Garden work will be schedule after the Installation of new sign.

#### JUNE

Saturday June 15, 2024                      Baker Square and Town Hall Garden planting

Saturday June 22, 2024                      Baker Square and Town Hall Garden mulching

#### SEPTEMBER

Saturday September 7, 2024                      YPD 9/11 Memorial fall cleanup

#### DECEMBER

Saturday December 14, 2024                      Wreaths Across America



FOOD of the MONTH for MARCH is

TUNA FISH

All items collected will go to assist the Cape Cod Brite Lights weekend backpack program.

We thank you for your generous support of this project.

Cash or Checks are always welcomed.

Rising Costs of Food continues to hamper our mission to help those in need. If you can help out we would greatly appreciate it.

**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 cub.

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.



Our last game of the Queen of Hearts has ended when Hollie Handrahan pulled the Queen from the deck. Not too hard to do when it was the last card in the deck. For her hard work she took home \$2,193.

We started all over last week with a new deck of cards.

The Jackpot now stands at:

\$11.00 plus this weeks Pot \$\$\$

You need to buy a ticket to win!!!

1 for \$1.00

6 for \$5.00

#### 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. Mike Riley 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 Mike Riley 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 or other types of devices.)



**Leg Braces**



**Crutches**



**Forearm Crutches**



**Walkers**



**Wheelchairs**



**Prosthetic Limbs**



**Baby Joggers & Strollers**



**Bike Trailers**

## 2023-2024 OFFICERS

President	Jill Albright	Public Image	Tomas Tolentino
President Elect	Jim Seymour	New Generations	Lou Preziosi
Vice President	Paul Chatelain	Secretary	Mary Lenihan
Community Service	John Cooke	Treasurer	Steve Albright, PDG
International Service	Joe Potzka	Past President	Roby Whitehouse, PP
Vocational Service	Hollie Handrahan	Sergeant –At-Arms	Ken Knell
Club Administration	Brian Braginton Smith		

### PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Barbara Adams +2	Betey Ghiazza	Linda Pisacano
Charlie Adams +2	Ed Ghiazza	Rick Plumb
Dave Akin	Bill Glass +2	Joe Potzka
Jill Albright (Major Donor)	Susan Glass	Larry Putman
Steve Albright (Major Donor)	Dr. Bruce Gordon +4	Shirley Putman
Dave Angelica	Tom Gregory	Jim Quirk
Dick Appleton	Faith Hallett	Pam Rideout
Andy Armstrong	Sharon Hartley	Richard Rideout
Pat Armstrong	Ron Hawes	Denise Ring
Matthew Barr	Betty Herr	Michael Riley
William Bergstrom	John Herr +8	Jim Saben
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Blood Donor Center at CC Hospital	Sue Huckman	Dr. Paula Santos
Jim Bogle	Matthew Johnson +2	Elena Schuck
Jack Bohlin	Johnny Kelley	Curt Sears
Rick Boucher	Howard Kendall +3	Jim Seymour
Robert Boucher	Nicholas Kerrigan	Marcia Shannon
Sally Bowles +2	Barbara LeFleur	Dr. David Seinkppf
Brian Braginton Smith	Fern Lemay	Ken Sheytanian +3
Jack Braginton Smith	Kevin Lennon +2	Janet Soja +2
Rick Cannon	John Leon, Jr.	Dick St. George
Gerald "Curley" Carey +1	Jim & Pat Leighton	Kathy St. George
Giuseppe Carnevali	Mary Lenihan	Esther Stocchetti
Jacqueline Carnevali	John Lewist	Jefferson Sherman Storm
Peter Carnes	Bob Lindquist	Jerry Sullivan
Rafi Chaprut	Charles LoBue	Jim Sullivan
Bob Churchill	John Lynch	Paul Tardif
Barry Clayman (Major Donor)	Jack Maclelland +1	Art Taylor
Gail Clayman (Major Donor)	Jerry Manning	Mary Ann Taylor
Carol Clossen	Tom Martin	Jan Tkaczyk
John Cooke + 1	Frank Mastromauro	Bernice Todres
Hal Cooper	Ken McGuire	Dr. Tom Tomasik
Finbarr Corr	Dorcas McGurrian	Mike Tulman
Dick Corsini	Robert McInnis	Tom Ulrich +2
Richard Covell	Linda McKnight +1	Josephine Umbro
Therese D'Abre	Lou McKnight	Ron Umbro
Dylan DeSilva	Dave Miller	Scott Vandersall
Bob Dubois	John Miller	James Walker Jr. +3
Mike Duffy	Margaret Morgan	James Walker Sr.
Kenneth Eubanks	Phil Morris	Marlyn Walker
Marianne Eubanks +1	G. Anthony Morrison	Erik Wallin
Leslie Fedge	Peter Murray	Connie Weare
Jim Footer	Bernie Nugent	Norme Weare +3
Paul Funk	Bud Nugent	Fran Webb +1
Sgt. Sean Gannon, YPD	Judi Olkkola	Bob Wells +2
KP Nero, YPD	Howard Onik	Roby Whitehouse +1
Nancy Gardner	Marilyn Padalino	Carol Woodbury
	Jim Peros	Nickolas G. Xiarhos, USMC

## 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

## 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?"

Mon.	7:00 AM	Barnstable Sunrise	YMCA Rt. 132, Hyannis, MA
Tues.	7:00 AM	Nauset /Orleans	Orleans Police Dept. 99 Eldredge Park Way, Orleans, MA 02653
	7:30 AM	Falmouth	Holiday Inn 291 Jones Rd Falmouth MA 02540
Wed	12:10	Martha's Vineyard	The Barn—Bowl & Bistro 13 Uncas Ave. Oaks Bluff, MA 02557
	12:15PM	Nantucket	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	Percy's Place Rt. 28 Mashpee, MA
	12:15	Hyannis	Alberto's Restaurant Main St. Hyannis, MA

