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"Thank Goodness It's Friday in Yarmouth!"



GOVERNOR, DISTRICT 7950

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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

Senator Julian Cyr

For the past 9 years serving as Senator, he has been working on wastewater. Glad to hear that Yarmouth is working to resolve these concerns. The State of Massachusetts has given \$50 million to that project. Through adding a water tax in 2018 to lodging establishments it has allowed towns to receive subsidies for projects such as the one in Yarmouth.

HERO Act is a new law aimed at enhancing benefits for veterans in Massachusetts and was recently signed into law with the passage of the HERO Act in August 2024. Among its provisions, the HERO Act expands the motor vehicle excise tax exemption to veterans with a 100% service-connected disability rating.

In 2023, Massachusetts implemented the "Affordable Homes Act" to address affordable housing challenges, particularly in seasonal communities like Yarmouth. This Act designates communities with substantial seasonal variations in employment as "Seasonal Communities" and provides them with tools and resources to address their unique housing needs. These tools include prioritizing housing for essential workers, offering tax relief to year-round residents, and implementing flexible zoning regulations. The Act also establishes a Seasonal Communities Advisory Council to assist in developing programs and resources for these communities.

Maternal Health Bill was passed this past summer. This legislation would require MassHealth to cover doula services for pregnant people up to 12 months postpartum while mandating insurance coverage for postpartum depression screenings for any member who recently became a parent or lost a pregnancy. MassHealth will also be required to cover midwifery services. This legislation establishes the Board of Registration in Midwifery within the Department of Public Health, a nine-member board appointed by the Governor, charged with establishing regulations to govern the practice of midwifery and overseeing the licensure of midwives.



After finally getting a break from many days of rain, Bill Boyd and Steve Albright were able to get out and clean, weed and mulch the two gardens at Town hall that we take care of. Once the existing perennials start to come up we will get back and see what additional plants need to be planted.

Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.

Francis of Assisi

Announcements

May Birthdays

May 2—Linda McKnight
 May 19—Dr. Bruce Gordon
 May 19—Jim Seymour
 May 22—Carol Woodbury
 May 23—Brian Braginton Smith
 May 27—Karina Polk
 May 28—Charlie Adams
 May 29—Frank Mastomauro

May Anniversaries

May 2—Roby & Brad Whitehouse -22 years
 May 8—Betty & John Herr-71 years
 May 8—Sue & Dick Corsini - 49 years
 May 27—Barbara & Joe Potzka -53 years

MEALS ON WHEELS

May 6—F. Mastromauro & Tom Deltz
 May 13—Phil Morris & Rafi Chaprut
 May 20—Dr. Tom Tomasik & Carol Woodbury
 May 27—Steve Crum & Paul Chatelain
 Substitutes Steve Albright or Frank Mastromauro
 Meet at the Yarmouth Senior Ctr.
 528 Forest Rd., South Yarmouth, MA
 9:30 AM

FRONT DESK

May 2—Hollie Handrahan & Wendy Brown
 May 9—Dave Botting & Jan Martin
 May 16—Tom Deltz & Bill Lemoine
 May 23—DY Interact Club
 May 30—Bud Nugent & Andi Taylor
 June 6—Rufus Jones & Paul Chatelain
 June 13—Jim Leighton & Dave Botting
 June 20—Ken Sheytanian & Chantal Rice
 June 27—Matt Fitzsimmons & Janet Soja
 July 4 NO MEETING
 July 11—Bud Nugent & Hollie Handrahan

Calendar

May 2—Mary Ann Zoldak—Cape Cod Path—Human Trafficking and Awareness
 May 9—MacKenzie Bonaiuto—Cord “The Wrap Program” Disabled Young Adults
 May 16— Susan Brita—NAMI—Newer programs for young mental health
 May 23—Meeting with DY Interact at DYRHS
 May 30—Misty Niemeyr—Americorp—youth/young adult volunteer opportunities on Cape Cod
 May 30—June 1—District Conference
 June 1—Installation of Officers—Yarmouth House Restaurant

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

May 2—Rufus Jones
 May 9—Jim Leighton
 May 16—Mary Lenihan
 May 23—DY Interact
 May 30—Bill Lemoine
 June 6—Kevin Lennon

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.

April
 Maternal & Child Health
 Carol Woodbury

May
 Youth Services
 Chantal Rice

After being rained out this past Saturday, the helping hands committee were able to finish the work at Bakers Square in West Yarmouth on Sunday morning. The small group of volunteers finished cleaning and weeding the two gardens and then got to work spreading the mulch. Volunteers on Sunday included, Chairman Bill Boyd, Curt Sears, Kevin Lennon Paul Chatelain and Brian Braginton Smith. Thank you Chantal Rice for allowing us to park and stage from the parking lot of Hayes and Hayes. The crew will back in late May to access and plant additional flowers



You've driven by Baker's Square on Route 28 in West Yarmouth any number of times, but did you know who it is named for? David Eric Baker graduated Yarmouth High School in 1932, entered the army in 1942, graduated from the armament school with honors and became a tail gunner on a B-24 Liberator. He and his crew were shot down in July of 1943 near the Ellice Islands in the Pacific. He had attained the rank of staff sergeant and was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart. His family asked for the square to be named in his honor and the town approved the request in 1954.

We Miss You

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

*If you can't make a meeting, join us at one
of the upcoming fellowship events.*

THINK GOLF—Our Annual Golf Tournament Thursday Sept. 18 At Cummaquid



Support Crutches 4 Africa



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

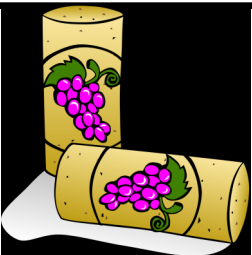
**Keep aluminum
out of our landfills**

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.



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

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

May

Charlie Adams—55 Years

Ron Hawes—32 Years

Bill Lemoine—20 Years

Steve Albright—17 Years

Frank Mastromauro—15 Years

Hollie Handrahan—8 Years

Jim McLoughlin—7 Years

Tom Deltz—3 Years

Karina Polk—1 Year

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.

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 though our weekly deliveries on Tuesday.

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 \$\$\$\$

Pat Armstrong - Senator Cyr

Curley Carey- Boston Marathon, Ruck Run

Jill Albright - Senator Cyr, Vacation

Phil Morris - Curley, Senator Cyr

Carol Woodbury - Senator Cyr, time as Superintendent and Cape Delegation, 3 week vacation

Howie Onik- Just got back from being away

Brian B. Smith - We are facing issues due to towns not changing or accelerating with time

Barbara Adams- Happy to be back, Senator Cyr,



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

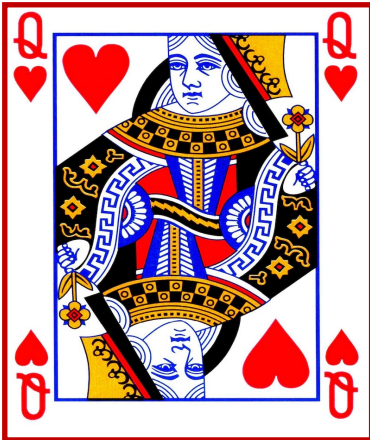
The Rotary Foundation:

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.

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



The Jackpot now stands at:
\$648.00 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?

THE POT IS NOW OVER \$600
You have to BUY A TICKET OR SIX to win.

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 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

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

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Club Administration	Brian Braginton Smith		

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Barbara Adams +2	Bill Glass +3	Joe Potzka
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Dick Appleton	Ron Hawes	Denise Ring
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Pat Armstrong	John Herr (Major Donor)	Jim Saben
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Judi Bisbee	Matthew Johnson +2	Elena Schuck
Blood Donor Center at CC Hospital	Johnny Kelley	Curt Sears
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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	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
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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
KP Nero, YPD	Jim Peros	Nickolas G. Xiarhos, USMC
Nancy Gardner	Linda Pisacano	
Betey Ghiazza	Rick Plumb	
Ed Ghiazza		

ROTARY CLUB OF YARMOUTH

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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
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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
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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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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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