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## The Main Event

### **Naomi Steckman, Artistic Director - Beyond the Bounds**

During her training she spent 14 hours a day practicing indoors. During covid she had colleagues from Boston University and started playing outdoors on the dunes, Brewster Flats, and in the woods.

She realized how important it was for human beings to connect. Her mother started her playing the cello at age 3. She lost her mother at age 5 and her mom's last wish was for her to play cello. From that moment on she loved connecting with people through music.

Naomi is a Cape Cod – based freelance cellist. She regularly performs with the Boston Landmarks Orchestra, Rhode Island Philharmonic and Cape Symphony Orchestra. She especially loves the combining the beauty of the outdoors with her performances, as well as collaborating with all disciplines of the performing arts, which was the driving force behind the creation of "Beyond the Bounds".

The Cape has these amazing outdoor spaces, and we can connect regardless of religion, background, or politics. She started out doing it randomly and as a pop up, then turned into quarterly seasons.

They worked with a Haitian dance group and performed at Fort Hill. They have allowed people of all cultures to share their experiences and culture. This year they started doing community fires after each performance with both the performers and the community members who attended. It truly has brought people together.

For more information, go to: <https://www.beyondtheboundscapcod.org>



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

**John Cooke** -Back to school and Son and him went to Disney, He went with Wife to see Zach Brown Band

**Mary Lenihan** -For our speaker.

**Brian Bragington Smith** – For our speaker.

**Bob Pezoni** -For the Yarmouth Rotary Club.

**Jill Albright** – School Started and Emily is excited about soccer and for our speaker.



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## DEIB Information Corner

The following DEIB article in this week's TGIF is about the recent happenings in Chatham. While we hope the inclusion of the article does not offend, it does point out that racist activities continue, even here on Cape Cod. It is my hope that we can use this and other articles provided by our DEIB Committee to start and continue conversations about our own club's efforts with DEIB, looking at ourselves, our club as well as others in our sphere of influence. Thank you.

### Former Chatham Teen Indicted For Attempted Murder 06 September 2023

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A 14-year old teen, formerly of Chatham, was indicted last week for attempted murder in connection with an alleged incident at Goose Pond in July. ALAN POLLOCK PHOTO

### Town, School Officials Denounce Alleged Racial Incident

CHATHAM – An alleged racially motivated incident at Goose Pond in July involving three male teens, including one indicted last week for attempted murder, has elicited strong response from town and school officials.

A 14-year-old male, formerly of Chatham, was indicted by a Barnstable County grand jury Aug. 31 on charges of attempted murder and assault with a dangerous weapon. Because of his age, The Chronicle is not identifying the teen by name.

The indictment stems from a July 19 incident at Goose Pond in which the teen and another 13-year old allegedly threw stones at and repeatedly attempted to drown a 15-year-old.

Both the 14- and 13-year-olds are white, while the victim is Black.

The 14-year-old is being charged as a “youthful offender,” meaning his case will be processed and treated as that of an adult. A Barnstable Juvenile Court official said Tuesday that the 13-year-old is also being charged as a juvenile in connection with the incident. The exact charges were not available at press time.

In an email to parents Sept. 1, Monomoy School Superintendent Scott Carpenter called the alleged incident “unacceptable” and something that goes against the district's goal of “celebrating diversity, promoting empathy,

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

respecting the dignity of every human being, and fostering understanding among all students, staff, and families.”

“The alleged actions are incredibly concerning and stand in stark contrast to the values we hold as a school district and as a community,” he said. “Monomoy continually strives to be welcoming, safe, and inclusive for all.”

Carpenter said that the “two alleged aggressors” are “not enrolled” at Monomoy. But Kevin Reddington, the attorney representing the 14-year-old, said the three teens went to school together. Carpenter declined to say whether the two teens had previously attended school in the district. The indicted teen has since moved to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., where Reddington said he recently began attending school.

### **Victim was invited to Goose Pond**

According to a police report, the alleged victim reported the alleged incident to Chatham Police two days later on July 21.

The victim told police that just before 2 p.m. on July 19, he received a call inviting him to Goose Pond, which is accessed over an unpaved road off Old Queen Anne Road. There are also multiple paths leading to the pond, which is mostly surrounded by town conservation land, from area neighborhoods. The victim was told that the two other teens would also be there, according to the report.

After arriving at the pond later that afternoon on his brother’s bike, the victim said he was initially met by the 14-year-old and about six other people he did not know. Both the 14-year-old and 13-year-old began throwing stones at him, he told police. The victim, who could not swim, put on a life jacket and went into the water. The indicted teen allegedly continued to throw stones at the victim and threatened to “beat him up.”

The 14-year-old allegedly threatened the victim further with a larger stone and called him “boy,” according to the police report. In a written report separately submitted to police, the victim said the 14-year-old had directed other slurs at him in the past, including “n\*\*\*\*\*.”

The victim told police that the 14-year-old then followed him into the water and pulled him underwater four to five times, even after he told the teen that he couldn’t swim. The victim told the teen to stop, telling him he felt “lightheaded and almost threw up.” As this was happening, the victim reported that the other teen laughed and called him “George Floyd,” the Black man who was killed by Minneapolis Police in May 2020.

The two teens then left and came back to the victim on a raft, where they unsuccessfully tried to grab the victim’s feet, according to the report. The 14-year-old allegedly asked the victim if he liked his life.

“I won’t once I’m drowning,” the victim replied, according to the report.

The 14-year-old then allegedly swam underneath the victim and tried pulling his feet underwater while the victim tried to keep the other teen on the raft away. The victim reported “getting exhausted” and began yelling for help, leading the accused teen to call him a “bitch” and a “pussy.”

A bystander on the beach started to swim out to the teens and called for the 14-year-old to stop, which he did, according to the report. The victim was helped back to shore after which he left the area on the bike.

A witness who also filed a report with police said they checked with the victim after he returned to shore. The witness said that the victim said he couldn’t swim, and that “they purposely called him down to the pond.”

### **14-year-old was involved in separate altercation on same day**

Judge Silvia Gomes ordered the 14-year old to be held without bail Aug. 31 in Barnstable Juvenile Court. Reddington said Monday an appeal of the decision will be filed this week in Barnstable Superior Court.

Reddington said prosecutors argued that his client was a danger by referencing a separate altercation with another teen, who is Asian, just hours before the alleged incident at Goose Pond.

In the second case, Reddington said the 14-year-old punched the other teen in retaliation for being called “fat.” He said the families of both teens worked out the situation amicably on their own.

“They were both very satisfied with that,” he said. “But once the incident at Goose Pond arose, [prosecutors] then decided ‘Well this is good, we’ll charge him with this other offense against an Asian person.’”

Reddington said an evaluation of his client by a forensic psychologist found him not to be a danger to society. But he said the boy stands to be detained for 120 days in a juvenile detention center.

“You’re talking about a kid who is 14 years old who will be out of school until basically January,” he said. “That’s devastating, obviously, to your freshman year. They’re going to have to set him back, keep him back. It’s just completely out of control.”

The teen is due to appear back in court on Sept. 13.

## **“I think we need to acknowledge it”**

The Chatham Select Board issued its own statement Sept. 1 condemning the alleged incident. The board offered support to the victim's family, and said it will continue to work with police and Monomoy school officials “proactively to deter events such as this from taking place in the future.”

“We are disturbed and saddened to learn of the event that occurred earlier this summer between juveniles,” the statement read. “We do not believe that it reflects the true nature of our community, which is diverse and inclusive. We condemn all acts of violence, particularly those directed at children.”

While the select board has no jurisdiction in the situation, the board's chair, Cory Metters, pushed for the statement to be issued.

“I think we needed to acknowledge it,” he said. As the father of children in the Monomoy district — one of whom was at Goose Pond shortly after the incident occurred — he said “kids are aware” of the situation either through word of mouth or social media.

“These are very serious accusations,” he said. “It's uncomfortable for me because I know all the individuals involved.”

Metters said there is a need to acknowledge the incident while not passing judgment, while also getting those involved — both the victim and accused — the help they need.

## **An opportunity for dialogue**

The alleged incidents pose an opportunity for community dialogue and one-on-one talks between children and their parents, former Harwich Youth and Family Services Director Sheila House said this week.

“What kids really need, I find, in a situation like this, is to be able to talk about the incident and also how they want the environment in their school to look like, what they want their community to look like,” she said. “It's very easy for people to peel off and take sides. I don't think that would be effective.”

But House credited the Monomoy schools and the Chatham select board for speaking out on the matter and stressing that acts of intolerance have no place in the community.

“You can have the intention of being an inclusive, diverse, accepting community, but when these events happen, they have to be addressed right away, so that the reality matches the dream,” she said.

The best way to help young people understand a crisis like this is to empower them to create the kind of school and community they find ideal. In that dialogue, “everybody should have a voice,” House said.

In that sense, the incidents serve as a challenge to community leaders, parents and residents.

“How do we support our kids to make that happen?” she asked.

Monomoy officials have been aware of the incident since it first came to the attention of Chatham police in late July, Carpenter said. He said police, school administrators and staff have since been working to put in place support for students returning to school this week.

Many Monomoy High students know those involved or had already heard about the incident, he said. Last week, he met with the high school's diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging advisory council “just to talk to them in very broad strokes” about the incident, he said, and he met with the entire high school staff last Thursday. High School Principal Jennifer Police and Athletic Director Karen Guillemette also met with the football team on Saturday. Staff was asked to be ready to refer students who wanted to talk about the incident to counselors and to watch for students who may be troubled about it but do not speak up.

“At the end of the day, they're all our students and need to feel welcome and safe and that they belong in our schools,” he said.

## **School officials: Incident not a matter of ‘horseplay’**

Reddington on Monday disputed allegations that stones were thrown, noting that the victim did not suffer marks or bruises. Meanwhile, he said his client did not intend the victim harm in trying to pull him underwater.

“That's why I say it was horseplay that got taken to the next level,” he said. “You've got to be careful with stuff like that.”

But Monomoy officials are being careful not to minimize the incident as such, Carpenter said. The situation has the potential to be polarizing, he added, and it's important to ensure that no one is marginalized. Staff were asked not to minimize the incident as “horseplay” and to be mindful “not to promote misconceptions based on what you think happened.”

"Some of it is trying to help students understand that there is a legal process, that people are assumed to be innocent, but we shouldn't minimize what was alleged to have occurred," he said.

School counselors and administrators were prepared to talk to students about the incident when classes began Tuesday, and additional counselors would be brought in if needed, Carpenter said.

### **Racism exists, even on Cape Cod**

Chatham is more diverse now than when he grew up here, Metters said, but it's impossible to escape racism in today's society.

"Unfortunately, I think there's going to be some level of that from some individuals or groups. But I don't think it's prevalent here," he said.

But Jeff Spalter, a Chatham resident and member of the Nauset Interfaith Association, said incidents of racism are more common than people might realize, even if they're subtler in form.

While local authorities have treated the situation appropriately, Spalter said the alleged incident also highlights the unseen racism that occurs on the Cape, "microaggressions" that those on the action team say happen frequently.

"You really get the sense that people don't even know that there's racism on the Cape, just because of the lack of diversity," he said. "But it does happen with some frequency."

Chief of Police Michael Anderson reached out to members of the group's Martin Luther King Action Team, the racial justice arm of the association that the chief also belongs to, to apprise them of the situation, Spalter said.

"I thought that was really valuable and meaningful to the people of color on our team," he said.

Spalter said he "felt awful" for the victim and his family and urged community members to be more aware of and support those of different ethnicities. "To be more overtly welcoming would be nice," he said.

"Not only do we want [people of color] to feel safe and secure, it's more than that; we want them to feel embraced and part of the fabric of our community," he said. "I'd like to see what we can all do to move us in that direction."

*Tim Wood and Alan Pollock contributed to this story.*

**HELP WANTED: Needed one to three club members that can share the duties of writing the articles for the weekly TGIFY. John Cooke has been doing the writing for over the past 6 years and needs to step away from it due to time constraints and time conflicts with work. 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.**

**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.

**DUES NOTICES: Currently there are Four members that have not paid their dues which were due July 1, 2023.**

**Payment may be made by clicking on the link in the emails that have been sent. In addition a check can be mailed to Yarmouth Rotary PO Box 448 South Yarmouth, MA 02664. In addition, credit card payments may be made at any regular meeting. Please see treasurer Steve Albright to pay by credit card.**

**Dr. Bruce - Medical Moment From THE WEEK of September 8th.** I thought I would leave it on the newsletter since it contains some great information about vaccines that you should consider getting.

3 Vaccines coming up you should investigate to protect yourself and family.

**RSV Vaccine** – Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) is the most common cause of lower respiratory tract infection in infants and children worldwide. In addition, RSV causes serious disease in elderly and immune compromised individuals. Until this year there were no vaccines for this virus.

Today there is an FDA approved Respiratory Syncytial Virus Vaccine available. The CDC recommends the older adults age 60 years and older receive a single dose of RSV vaccine using SCDM.

Doctors say the benefits of the new vaccine for older adults outweighs the potential harms in cases where RSV could be life threatening.

**Flu Vaccine** – Influenza (Flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat, and lungs. Some people, such as people with certain health conditions, are at higher risk of serious flu complications.

The best way to reduce the risk of flu and its potential serious complications is by getting vaccinated each year.

**Covid Vaccine** – There is a new booster set to be released the third or fourth week of September. This booster is expected to protect against severe disease and death from the new circulating variants. This updated booster shot is formulated to target XBB.1.5, an omicron subvariant. It is a monovalent vaccine, meaning it only targets one strain. The previous bivalent booster was formulated with the original strain and BA.4/BA.5 strain.

Doc Bruce says you are supposed to be able to receive all three shots at the same time. If you are brave go for it. He would recommend spacing them out.

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## **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.



FOOD of the MONTH for September is

Canned 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 are up due. 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.

**2023 HELPING HANDS SCHEDULE**

**SEPTEMBER**

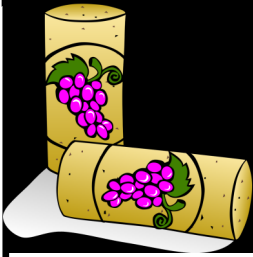
Saturday September 9 – YPD 9/11 Memorial Fall Cleanup

**DECEMBER**

Saturday December 16 – Wreaths Across America



# Announcements



**COVID & CORKS**—Wine cork recycling benefits our earth’s sustainability. The Rotary Club of Yarmouth has over the last 18 months collected 14 pounds of corks which are sent 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!!!!**

**MEALS ON WHEELS**  
 September 19—Sally Bowles & Pat Armstrong  
 September 26—Frank Mastromauro & Tom Deltz  
 October 3—Dick Corsini & Dr. Brice Gordon  
 October 10—Mike Duffy & Bill Lemoine  
 October 17—Jan Tkaczyk & Ken Knell  
 October 24—Ann Knell & Carol Woodbury  
 October 31—Joe Potzka & Ken Livingston  
 Substitutes Steve Albright or Frank Mastromauro  
 Meet at the Yarmouth Senior Ctr.  
 528 Forest Rd., South Yarmouth, MA  
 9:30 AM

## September Birthday’s

- 9/16 Bianca Frazier
- 9/18 Joe Potzka
- 9/20 Chuck Carey
- 9/30 Howie Onik

## September Anniversaries

- 9/10 Matt & Sarah Fitzsimmons 12 yrs.
- 9/10 Tom & Sue Tomasik 35 yrs.
- 9/19 Steve & Catherine Crum 31 yrs.
- 9/20 Mike & Kim Riley 43 yrs.
- 9/20 Ken & Judy Sheytanian ? yrs.
- 9/23 George & Beth Davis 28 yrs.

## FRONT DESK

- September 15—Bud Nugent & Tom Deltz
- September 22—Bill Savicki & Chris Morin
- September 29—Chantal Rice & Roby Whitehouse
- October 6—Dave Botting & Andi Taylor
- October 13—Hollie Handrahan & Jan Martin
- October 20—Janet Soja & Jim Leighton
- October 27—Rufus Jones & Mike Riley

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

## Calendar

- September 1—Mindy Herington—Youth Services Librarian Town of Yarmouth Libraries
- September 8—Naomi Steckman—Cellist—Founder— Artistic Director, Beyond the Bounds, Cape Cod
- September 15—Michael Bovino—Principal DY Middle/Intermediate School
- September 22—Debra Wilsea—Cape Cod Toy Library, Barnstable, MA

## GUEST POLICY

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

## GREETER

- September 15—Andi Taylor
- September 22— Jan Tkaczyk
- September 29—Tom Tomasik
- October 6—Mary Vilbon
- October 13—Jimmy Walker
- October 20— Roby Whitehouse
- October 27—Carol Woodbury

## SCHEDULES

The schedules through the end of the year for Greeter, Front Desk and Meals on Wheels have been updated.

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.

September  
 Basic Education and Literacy  
 Jane Cain

October  
 Economic and Community Development  
 Mary Lenihan



SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday September 26, 2023

Our Annual Golf Tournament at Cummaquid Golf Club

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



ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

September

Jim Quirk—31 years

Tom Tomasik—24 years

Thank you for your years of Service Above Self and all that you do for our Club and our Community.

**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)**

I'm no longer accepting the things I cannot change.

I'm changing the things I cannot accept.

Angela Davis

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

*Francis of Assisi*



We have a great game of Queen of Hearts each week.

The Current Jackpot is:

\$618.00 plus this weeks Pot \$\$\$

You need to be there and buy a ticket 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 \$200—\$250 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
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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	Bety Ghiazza	Linda Pisacano
Charlie Adams +2	Ed Ghiazza	Rick Plumb
Dave Akin	Bill Glass +2	Joe Potzka
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Steve Albright (Major Donor)	Dr. Bruce Gordon +3	Shirley Putman
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Pat Armstrong	Ron Hawes	Denise Ring
Matthew Barr	Betty Herr	Michael Riley
William Bergstrom	John Herr +8	Jim Saben
David Bisbee	Richard Holden	Tammy Saben
Judi Bisbee	Bob Huckman +1	Brian Salatiello
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1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
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