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"Thank Goodness It's Friday in Yarmouth!"



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MEETINGS: FRIDAY, 7:00 AM, FREESTYLE LIVING 822 RT. 28, So. YARMOUTH

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The Main Event

Darius Coombs

Director

Wampanoag @Algonkian Interpretive Training

Darius Coombs is a proud father of 4 girls and has been married to his loving wife Toodie for close to 20 years. He is also a Mashpee Wampanoag tribal citizen and is the Cultural Outreach Coordinator for the Mashpee Wampanoag Education Department. Darius is the former Director of the Wampanoag Indigenous Program at Plimoth/ Patuxent Museums for over 30 years.

Over his career Darius has worked with Smithsonian, History Channel, National Geographic, and Scholastic to name a few. His teaching of Wampanoag and other Indigenous cultures in the history of the northeast is recognized throughout the country.

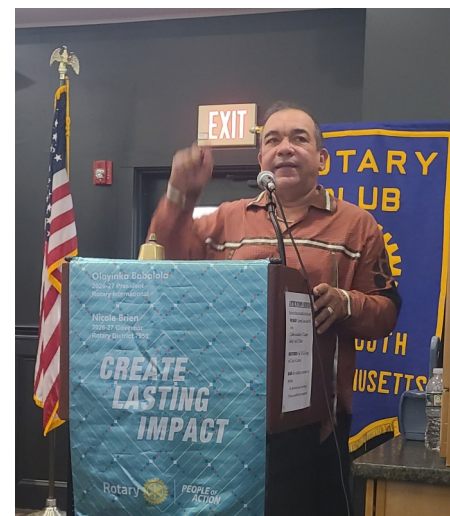
He has presented at conferences, colleges, historical societies, museums, indigenous institutes, and all grades and levels of learning in North America. Darius is also the recipient of the 2016 NEMA (New England Museum Association) Award for Excellence and the 2021 Bay State Legacy ward.

The 13 Moons

Full year Cycle of 1 year. Normal cycle for 12,000 years. At one time the tribe had over 100,000 members.

Women are considered the life givers. They are responsible for growing corn, beans and squash are known as the 3 sisters. Kids are encouraged to grow up having fun and learn many things. As you grew you received 4 to 5 names depending on where you were in life.

They still hunt Deer, black bear, moose, elk as well as fish the waters. Things done hundreds of years ago are still done today. Weaving is also still a huge part of their culture. Many items today can be seen in the Smithsonian American Indian Museum in Washington DC.



Dues notices have been sent out to all members. Unfortunately we are having issues with the ClubRunner link to pay your dues through them. You can still pay your dues by way of check or credit card. I will have our credit card payment system at this Fridays meeting or you can call me 508-916-1617 and I will process your payment. You may also bring a check to this Fridays meeting or mail it to Yarmouth Rotary, PO Box 448, South Yarmouth, MA 02664 Dues are \$280.00.

Director Needed—We currently have one Board of Directors position open. The open position is Director of Vocational Service. Please see Tomas or Mary Lenihan if you are able to fill this position.

Announcements

September Birthdays

September 9—Mindy Herington
 September 16—Bianca Frazier
 September 18 Joe Potzka
 September 20—Chuck Carey
 September 30—Howie Onik

September Anniversaries

Sept. 10—Sarah & Matt Fitzsimmons
 Sept. 19—Catherine & Steve Crum
 Sept. 20—Judi & Ken Sheytanian
 Sept. 23—Beth & George Davis

MEALS ON WHEELS

Currently we will be doing Meal on Wheels the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays of every month.

Sept 30—Frank Mastromauro & Rafi Chaprut
 Oct. 7—Jan Tkaczyk & Carol Woodbury
 Oct. 21— Frank Mastromauro & Dr. Bruce
 Nov. 4 - Joe Potzka
 Nov. 18—Ken Livingston & Bill Boyd

Substitutes Steve Albright or Frank Mastromauro

Meet at the Yarmouth Senior Ctr.
 528 Forest Rd., South Yarmouth, MA
 9:30 AM

Front Desk

Sept. 25—Jan Martin & Andi Taylor
 Oct. 2 Matt Fitsimmons & Jim Leighton
 Oct. 9—Rufus Jones & Bud Nugent
 Oct. 16—Ken Sheytanian & Chantal Rice
 Oct. 23—Dave Botting & Roby Whitehouse
 Oct. 30—Janet Soja & Curley Carey
 Nov. 6—Jill Albright & Steve Albright
 Nov. 13—Paul Chatelain & Bill Lemoine

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

GUEST POLICY

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

GREETER

Sept. 25—Chantal Rice
 Oct. 2—Jim Seymour
 Oct. 9—Ken Sheytanian
 Oct. 16—Janet Soja
 Oct. 23—Andi Taylor
 Oct. 30—Jan Tkaczyk
 Nov. 6—Mary Vilbon
 Nov. 13—Jimmy Walker
 Nov. 20—Roby Whitehouse
 Nov. 27—Happy Thanksgiving

Calander 2026

September 25—Traci Wyse—Dennis-Yarmouth Unified Sports
 October 2—Susan Murray—SEED South Eastern Economic Development Corporation
 October 9—Adam Burnett—Champ Homes
 October 16—Marc Goldberg—SCORE Cape & Islands
 October 23—Mary Vilbon—Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce
 October 30—Mairead Graf—VP of Development at Cape Abilities

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.

September
 Basic Education & Literacy
 Carol Woodbury

October
 Economic & Community Developement
 John Cooke

George Davis arranged for material donations from Mid-Cape Home Centers to improve storage in our container for Crutches for Africa at the Yarmouth Transfer Station. He then sent a couple of his carpenters, Jared and Bruce, over to make the installation.

We now have a greatly improved place to store mobility devices and keep them organized and free from various pests and the weather!

Many thanks to George, his team and Mid-Cape Home Centers for their donated time and materials.



Do Something.

If it works, do more of it.

If it doesn't, do something else.

(Franklin D. Roosevelt)

Save the Date

Golf Tournament 2026

October 1, 2026

Cummaquid Golf Course

It is never too early to start looking for sponsors and golfers and other donations such as gift cards.

GOLFERS and MAJOR SPONSORS NEEDED

There is still room for 3 more foursomes.



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 Joe 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

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

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ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

September

Jim Quirk—34 Years

Tim Layman—1 Year

Adra Cohen—1 Year

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

We have a new game of Queen of Hearts underway.

The Jackpot now stands at:

\$ 270.00 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

To Donate, Click on the QR Code



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

2026-2027 OFFICERS

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Sally Bowles +2	Kevin Lennon +3	Dick St. George
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Leslie Fedge	Bud Nugent	Fran Webb +1
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Paul Chatelain	2025-26

*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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