**The Cog**

**Rotary Club of Harwich-Dennis**

**September 25, 2014**

**President Tony opened the meeting with the Pledge. The “Off Key” singers sang God Bless America. Philip Cardinal Baroni gave the invocation.**

**Guests: Bill McGuirk, Rockville**

**Charlie, Yarmouth**

**Happy Birthday to Deborah Morris**

**Announcements: Juanita Donlin –Four years perfect attendance**

**11/7/14 Providence Bruins Tickets $15 includes $5 donation to Polio Plus**

**Andy Scallopfest on track.**

**Glenn He has some space available for the newspaper ads. Contact him if you want to participate or know someone who does.**

**Jim Distributed Tickets. Tickets will be mailed to those who slept in.**

**Carl introduced Christian Abrahamson, Student at 4Cs**

**Christian thanked us for his scholarship.**

**10/18/14 SCALLOP FESTIVAL**

**Weatherdeck Restaurant, Route 28, West Harwich**

**Tickets – Adults $20.00; Children under 12 $12.oo**

**Advertisement on Placemats $75 – contact Phil Baroni**

**For tickets, contact Jim Higgins**

***Save this date! Full Club Participation***

**November 1, 2014 MASQUERADE BALL**

**Glenn Ritt has asked for help in finding buyers of raffle tickets for the BMW ($100 each) and couples for the Ball ($175 per person). There will be an Auction at the Ball and the more people in the seats, the better the results.**

**Remember this is a project that all of the Cape Rotary Clubs are participating in and it is a project that benefits the entire Cape.**

**Happy/Sad bucks**

**Howard North Beach Camps torn down last Tuesday**

**Barbara Harwich Junior theater running an Improv Group**

**Laughed at Menopause the Musical**

**Armand 59th Wedding Anniversary**

**Finnbar Still on baby watch**

**Laemmle daughter in law survival surgery at MGH**

**Anthony Yarmouth Golf Tournament**

**Trish Yarmouth Golf Tournament**

**Glenn Yarmouth Golf Tournament**

**SPEAKER**

**Paul Laemmle Introduced his Daughter-in-Law, Carla Torres of Beacon Hospice She is a graduate of Trinity College, BA and Excelsior College, BSN. She is the Director of Beacon Hospice.**

**Her first exposure to Hospice was upon the death of her sister. Hospice helps end life with dignity**

**Most patients wish to remain in their home; however, the safety of the patient is the primary concern.**

**Almost 22% Medicare patients have some type of chronic medical condition that can exacerbate safety concerns when living alone or only with an elderly spouse.**

**Among the safety concerns that need to be addressed are**

**1. The physical condition of the patient**

**2. The interaction of the patient’s medications**

**3. How the meds effect the patient’s mental clarity**

**a. Whether the patient is actually taking the Meds**

**b. the timing of the meds**

**4. The patient’s stability**

**5. bathroom issues**

**6. scatter rugs**

**7. stairs**

**8. proper lighting**

**9. driving**

**10. the availability of an emergency lifeline**

**11. Family oversight and contact**

**12. elder services**

**Home assessment**

**Support groups**

**Help with plan**

**13. nutrition**

**Meals on Wheels**

**14. Advance directives**

**Health Care Proxy**

**Five wishes – start of conversation with patient**

**Door Prize was donated by Mike Whalen and won by Rich Hawes**

**50/50 was won by Barbara 20 and Ace $69**

**Your Scribe,**

**Jim Higgins**

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**Howard Kelly, Treasurer William Fallon, Secretary**

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