



Rotary Club of Marlborough



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Thought for the Day:

"The purpose of life is to live it, to taste, experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experience."
~Eleanor Roosevelt



Guests:

Police Chief Leonard, our speaker, with Rick Bennett
Joan Simoneau with Marilyn Perry
Lisa Thomas and Syrilla with Dom Valarioti
Billy Castillo, St. Mary's Credit Union, with Rick Bennett
Mara Silva with Bonnie Doolin

Upcoming Weekly Meeting Programs:

- 8-4** - **Stephen Melanson** — Melanson Consulting, Verbal Branding, Differentiation, and 'Business Simplicity'
- 8-5** - **Friday Morning Alternative Meeting**— Main Street Café at 7:15 a.m.
- 8-11** - **Keith Reardon** - 90 Days Mind Right; Body Right
- 8-18** - **TBD** - Bonnie Doolin
- 8-25** - **District Governors Pat & Skip Doyle**
- 9-1** - **TBD** - Bill Downey



Announcements

- 8-2** - **Bocce, Horseshoes, and other games** - with Hudson, Northborough and Nashoba Valley Clubs Hudson Elks Club Pavilion, 99 Park Street, Hudson (down in the back field) at 5:00 p.m., \$18 includes Bar-B-Q Buffet **RSVP Cheryl Rosen** at 508-791-9283 land; 508-615-0339 cell/text
- 8-24-** **Board of Directors Meeting** - Bonnie Doolin's office, 863 Donald Lynch Blvd., Marlborough Meeting starts at 7:00

Emily Greenwood, Program Chair for 2016-2017

ASSIGNED CLUB MEMBERS DATES for each to provide a scintillating program!

The rules are that :

1. **You get a speaker for the date or**
2. **You trade the date with another member or**
3. **You make a presentation yourself!**

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



YEARS OF DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

Since the first donation to the Rotary Foundation in 1917 was \$26.50, President Peggy has asked that each member give an additional donation of \$26.50 to PolioPlus!

Emily Greenwood, whose father suffered from polio, will lead this campaign.





The Object of Rotary...

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

First. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

Second. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

Third. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;

Fourth. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Service above Self

Today's Program – July 28, 2016

Marlborough Police Chief Mark Leonard gave department update

In providing his update of the Marlborough Police Dept., Chief Leonard painted a portrait of a police force actively preparing to meet any modern challenge.

Kaiser, the department's K-9 force, was originally trained to assist in a variety of common policing situations. He has recently added drug search to his list of capabilities.

They have a video range, in which using laser guns, they can practice "shoot-don't shoot" situations to reinforce their training.

The department is working with the school system on lock-down procedures using ALICE, an enhanced procedure, introducing the concept that if there is an opportunity to escape a dangerous situation, how to do it. This new training can save lives rather than staying in a school building waiting for a shooter to find them.



Marlborough Police Chief Mark Leonard speaks to members of the Rotary Club of Marlborough and their guests.

They are revamping policies and procedures. One of those teaches officers how to recognize someone with mental illness, how to handle and talk to such an individual. This practice recognizes that, in that situation, hospitalization is preferable to arrest.

There is substantial growth in the city with apartment complexes currently under construction bringing an additional 900 housing units. Calls to housing units are usually disturbance or domestic violence calls.

With the Ferguson killing last year and other instances since then, the Black Lives Matter movement was born. This has created a need for 21st century policing. First, citizens must learn to respect the legitimate authority of the police. Police must understand that the people have a right to be heard. Police need to learn to deescalate any situation. Thereby, we gain mutual respect for each other. Officers must change their mentality from that of warrior to that of guardian.

Chief Leonard is working toward more community engagement with different groups, mostly through churches. Chief Leonard has sought out Reverend Boyd who lives in Marlborough but whose church is in Framingham's poorer section. He hopes that opening lines of communication will lead to greater engagement.

Transparency is critical in all that the department does. His Internal Affairs officers are active. In this day of cell phone photography/videography, he tells his officers to keep that in mind in everything they do. They may be recorded. And, at all times, remember that they represent the Marlborough Police Dept.

Officers now carry first aid material in their vehicles. If they can perform some good in their efforts, it opens conversations that lead to understanding.

The Marlborough Police Dept. numbered 65 in the 1980's and it still has that many despite community growth and specialization and rising needs. This includes a four-man SWAT team.

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We Meet Every Thursday
12:15 p.m.
Fish Restaurant
Corner South Bolton St.
& Granger Blvd.
Marlborough, MA 01752

The Four-Way Test

...of the things we
think, say or do

Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all con-
cerned?

Will it build **GOOD
WILL** and **BETTER
FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFI-
CIAL** to all con-
cerned?



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As far as citizen policing is concerned, the Chief said that "if you wonder if you should call the police about something, call us." See something — say something.

He also noted that there is a kiosk in the lobby of the police station in which anyone may dispose of old prescriptions — all except for liquids and needles.

Delivery of Toiletries and Cleaning supplies to Countryside Village

On May 22, a small group of Marlborough Rotarians and Jr. Women's Club Members met to transport the toiletries and cleaning supplies collected by them and the Marlborough Lions Club to the deserving families residing in Countryside Village.

These goods will be sorted by the complex management staff and housed in a locked closet. The managers can give them to the residents who need them, since such products cannot be bought with Food Stamps.

Marilyn Perry noted that it was great to see the three local clubs working together on a service project.

The management at Countryside Village were delighted with the amount of toiletries and cleaning goods delivered by the Rotary Club of Marlborough, the Marlborough Jr. Women's Club and the



Rotarian Dave Morticelli, Jr. Women's Member Diane Birstein and Rotarian Marilyn Perry are loading one of the two vehicles transporting the goods.



Marlborough Lions Club for the many deserving families who reside there.

Countryside Village Manager Nancy Quintas was especially grateful for the toiletries that the teens in the complex particularly need.

Displaying the toiletries and cleaning goods collected are Nancy Quintas, Manager of Countryside Village, Rotarian Marilyn Perry, and Jr. Women's Club members, Tammie Short and Diane Birstein.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Peggie Thorsen*

Since 1922, the Rotary Club of Marlborough has supported the youth and charitable organizations of our community and the Rotary Foundation's efforts to enhance our world.