

Next Week!

September 29

Doug Murray

History of "Marlinspike
Fancy Rope Work"

The kinds of ropes you see
on ships, and in
nautical theme restaurants.

October 6

Dr. Wayne Trebbin

North Shore Medical Center

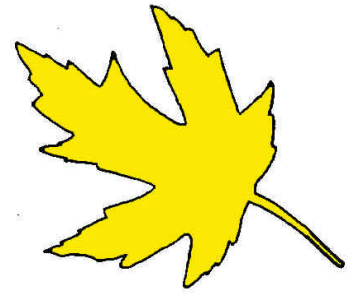
October 13

Board Meeting

EVERY ROTARIAN
US \$100
EVERY YEAR

Massachusetts Has The Largest % of Lottery Players In The Country - 68% !

National Average is 42%

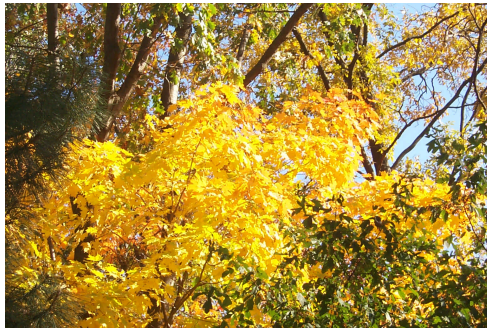


Our Meeting Date Sept. 22

was when night and day are nearly of the same length and the sun crosses the celestial equator (i. e., declination 0) moving southward (in the northern hemisphere).

In the southern hemisphere, the autumnal equinox corresponds to the center of the sun crossing the celestial equator moving northward and occurs on the date of the northern vernal equinox. The autumnal equinox marks the first day of the season of autumn.

The bottom line? Fall is here!



Joe Sullivan

executive director of our state lottery system is no stranger to Lynn having worked here for several years for H.O. Zimman, just a few doors down from the Porthole!



Statistics indicate that it is a \$4.4 billion business in our state, largest in the country! Cal's is the #1 dealer selling \$150,000 annually and the Porthole is #4 grossing \$61,000 in sales.

Lynn has had many winners - in the past fiscal year 40 people won \$100,000, 26 won the Megabucks, 2 won the Mass Millions game and 3 Lynners are in line for the upcoming Poker Tourney with a \$10 million pot.

How much does the typical player in Massachusetts spend on the lottery? The weekly average is \$13.50!! The next runner-up is \$3.50 in the state of Georgia. There are 141 Lottery retailers in Lynn - making a 5% commissions on sales.

Thanks Joe for a very interesting presentation.

Nick Sarantopoulos

donated a pair of tickets for the upcoming Red Sox vs. Yankees game at Fenway creating his own mini-lottery for our Rotary Foundation at \$20 per ticket!

The winner? Bob Kennedy!! Can you believe it?? Thanks Nick on behalf of our Rotary Foundation - and in addition both Nick and Obie Barker became sustaining members at the meeting! Wonderful!!

Visitors

this week were Mary O'Keefe and Adam Sherman, guests of Nick, and Beth Bresnahan with the Massachusetts State Lottery.

Our Katrina Fund

was boosted Thursday with an additional \$100 donation bringing the total to \$2,200 raised.

10 Day Notice: Membership Proposal

Adam Sherman

Classification: Banking - Brotherhood Credit Union
Proposed by Nick Sarantopoulos

Gene Hastings

was surprised to be called to the podium - and was presented with his 30-year pin! A member of Lynn Rotary for 30 years+ - an honor, indeed! Thank you, everyone.



Wednesday Live TV Show

on cable from Lynn Classical High's TV Studios will be on air at 7 PM. Wednesday Sept 28 .

Participants will include Rich Cuffe, Bob Hastings and Bob Risch. The live debate with members of the Lynn City Council is part of the campaign to raise awareness and funds for the Lynn Public Library!

Our Raffle Pot

has grown to \$167 and Bob Kennedy and Jack Ryder battled it out - but afterwards Bob won the Red Sox tickets!!



Thousands sheltered by Rotarian efforts

Rotarians from several districts and clubs are diligently working to provide refugees with shelter from the storm, as they have



A truckload of ShelterBoxes arrives at a state park in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

been since Hurricane Katrina made landfall on 29 August.

To date, their efforts have provided emergency accommodation for up to 24,000 survivors via 1,200 ShelterBoxes — containing tents and necessary equipment — delivered throughout the U.S. Gulf Coast.

"This is the first time [ShelterBoxes] are needed in the U.S. since there's stand-

ing water in a whole city," said Jerry Hearn, a past district governor of District 6960 and active member of Rotary Club of Lakewood Ranch, Florida, where ShelterBox is an ongoing community service project. Hearn's district was hit hard by Hurricane Charlie in 2004. "But it was nothing to this scale; we could stay in our homes," he said.

Due to the mass homelessness caused by Katrina, boxes were altered to accommodate two tents that house 10 people each. "We omitted 10 sleeping bags because the Salvation Army had enough cots for everyone," Hearn said.

The distribution of ShelterBoxes is one of the main Rotarian relief efforts for Katrina at this time, and it's being coordinated throughout the entire United States. Rotarians are working closely with agencies such as the Red Cross and Salvation Army. "We continue to let them know what we have," Hearn explained. "We don't just drop [the boxes] off."

Whether it's identifying campgrounds or other suitable places to set up tents or teaching the community how to best construct their ShelterBox villages, Rotarians are on the ground and making a difference.

The ShelterBox project began in England but has since spread to Australia, Canada, and the United States. The Rotarian-sponsored groups ship units globally to areas in need.

For more information on relief efforts and ways to help, please visit RI's World Community Service Disaster Relief page and check the RI home page frequently for updates.

Editor's Note: *I have seen the ShelterBox displays at the zone and international Rotary conferences - they are very impressive and their founders have created a great product line!*

September 21, 1938

How many members recall the hurricane in 1938, a hurricane of astonishing force that ravaged New England? Your editor remembers - I was 8 years old and the wind was blowing with such noise in Swampscott that I said to mother "Sounds like a hurricane!" and she responded: "Don't be silly Gene, we don't have hurricanes in this part of the country!" - but of course we did!



Governor-elect James "Richard" Churchman and Police Juroi Don Manuel pitch tents.

Having gone to bed the night before to radio forecasts of scattered rain and fresh southerly winds, New Englanders woke on the 21st and went about their weekday routines. At least they did until the storm broke in mid-afternoon. Within minutes, the hurricane leveled virtually everything in its path. The "whirling, shrieking" winds and rushing waters took more than 600 lives and caused damage estimated between \$6-12 billion in today's dollars. Technology now provides enough warning to evacuate vulnerable areas, so a storm of similar magnitude might take fewer lives today. But the pace of development along the coast means that property and environmental damage would undoubtedly be many times greater.

By mid-afternoon, it had devastated both the Connecticut River Valley and the Massachusetts coast. At 3:30 pm, the storm struck the Cape with brutal force. At the Blue Hill Observatory in Milton, just south of Boston, winds reached 121 miles per hour, with gusts nearing 200 mph — still the second strongest winds ever recorded in the Bay State.

Lowell and Lawrence were badly flooded with tremendous losses.

Boston and the northern tier of the state were spared the worst of the storm. Some of the most severe damage occurred around Buzzards Bay. Two-thirds of all the boats in New Bedford harbor sank. In Onset and Wareham, wind and waves flattened entire rows of buildings, swept away roads, and overturned automobiles.



Total estimated damage from the 1938 Hurricane:

- * 700 deaths, 708 injured
- * 4,500 homes, cottages, farms destroyed; 15,000 damaged
- * 26,000 destroyed automobiles
- * 20,000 miles of electrical power and telephone lines downed
- * 1,700 livestock and up to 750,000 chickens killed
- * \$2,610,000 worth of fishing boats, equipment, docks, and shore plants damaged or destroyed
- * Half the entire apple crop destroyed at a cost of \$2 million

GREETERS' SCHEDULE

NEXT MEETING:

- September 29 - Elaine Kurkul & Ilia Stacy
- October 6 - Art Horgan & Nick Sarantopoulos
- October 13 - Bob Kennedy & Rich Cuffe