



### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS CLOSED**

Thank you to everyone who responded to the membership renewals this year. We have the lowest number of non-responses (“read outs”) since 2011 when the current database was put into use. For those of you who are being “read out” you will receive an email or written notification in the near future. Next month’s newsletter will report our final tally regarding membership and donations made with membership payments.

### **GERRY NO. 5 SCHOLARSHIPS POSTED**

This year’s list of scholarships available to high school seniors have been revised and copies are available to interested members on the web site, at the Gerry, and at Marblehead High School. Most scholarships are not restricted to Marblehead students but please make sure you read the information regarding each scholarship. The deadline for submission is April 15<sup>th</sup> – NO EXTENSIONS. The list of scholarships is available on-line at [www.gerry5.com/library](http://www.gerry5.com/library), under Business Documents.

### **IN SEARCH OF NEW MEMBERS**

Do you have friends, family, neighbors who would like to join the Gerry? We’ve seen declining membership for the past few years due to many issues including two years of COVID-19. Our goal is to increase membership and provide a special place for members to enjoy. In order to help with membership, the Board of Directors unanimously voted to temporarily suspend the \$50.00 processing fee for new applications and re-applicants for the remainder of 2022. This is a deal you will not see again. We urge you to let your friends and family know. Revised application forms are available on-line at [www.gerry5.com/library](http://www.gerry5.com/library) under Business Documents. Please help us get the word out!

Any member having business before the Board, please contact a Board member or the Manager prior to the meeting. Board Meetings, barring Executive Sessions, are open for member viewing but no participation.

### **PASSAGES**

**Edward "Ted" Peach**, member, passed on February 23, 2022 at the age of 73. He lived in Marblehead his entire life. A graduate of the Massachusetts Maritime, graduating 3rd in his class, he served in the US Navy. He worked in the family construction and masonry business for over 50 years.

He enjoyed collecting Marblehead post cards, tinkering at his shanty, and connecting with friends and family. He enjoyed researching genealogy and was cited and acknowledged in many publications. A collector of antique cars he attended meets and judged shows. He loved history and tending his famous garden. He also never met a dog he didn't like and always carried treats for them.

Our sincere condolences to family and friends.

**Diane (Joy) St. Laurent**, mother of member *Jill Foster-Roads*, passed on January 30, 2022 at the age of 84 after a long illness with Alzheimer's and a recent battle with multiple myeloma.

Born in Spokane, WA, raised in Belmont, MA, and living her married life in Marblehead, she graduated from Colby Junior College. A woman ahead of her time, she worked in the instrumentation lab library at MIT. She generously donated her time to a variety of organizations and was a dedicated homemaker. She had an extensive 25-year real estate career and loved traveling the world with family and friends.

She also served the town of Marblehead on multiple committees including 10 years on the Board of Selectman.

Our deepest sympathy to family and friends.

Remember there are always things to do at the Gerry. Whether you want to socialize or just relax, we're here for you.