# BAY TO SOUND NEIGHBORS



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### **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

April is National Volunteer Month when organizations across the globe

celebrate volunteers in many different ways. As for Bay to Sound Neighbors (B2SN), we wouldn't be here without our volunteers, and we wish to express our gratitude to each one of you who give your time and commitment to help your neighbors in Yarmouth and Dennis. Our volunteers typically provide over 50 services to members per week, and I think that if you asked each one of them, their common response would be that they get more out of their volunteer experience with Bay to Sound than they give.

We also recognize and thank the "back-office" volunteers that you rarely see. These include the service coordinators who take calls and inquiries; those that plan social activities such as the Spring Fling that was held in April; and those who work on our many supporting teams. They are the backbone of our organization, and we are grateful for their efforts.

We are fortunate to have a growing number of volunteers who want to help their neighbors in need, but we always need more to ensure that we meet the needs of our members. If you want to volunteer or know someone else who does, please contact us or visit our website baytosoundneighbors.org.

Most importantly, please remember to thank the volunteers for their service whenever you can!



Carol Donohue President

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### Welcome New Volunteers!

Bay to Sound welcomes the newest volunteers. We are thankful for your efforts to help your neighbors in Yarmouth and Dennis at a time in their lives when it matters most.

Peggy Basile Deborah Harkins John Lynch William MacDonald Claudia Paige Mary Lyn Galgano Sheila Knight Adrienne Mayer Robert Mayer Suzanne Meagher

# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: Jim McDowell

I am originally from Colorado and my wife Barbara is from Southern California. We met when we were both attending Colorado College. We followed work opportunities and have lived our married life in Southern California, Northern California, Northern Nevada, Germany, and New Jersey.

I have worked for great car brands including Porsche, BMW and MINI. In my late 30's, I learned how to speak German and moved the family to Stuttgart for three years. I was the longest serving VP of Marketing at a U.S. car company. My favorite job was working as the head of MINI in North and South America. I love cars that make you smile while you are driving them.



Barbara and I bought our house in Yarmouth Port in 2002 and moved here permanently in 2017 after I retired as a Vice President of BMW N.A. Prior to coming to Cape Cod, my only connection to Massachusetts was attending graduate school in Cambridge. Our family had a hard time organizing activities that we all enjoyed together, but a trip to the Cape was guaranteed to be a 100 percent turnout. Our vacations at the Cape were magical.

I heard about Bay to Sound Neighbors through other board members at the Dennis-Yarmouth Newcomers Club and began volunteering in 2019. I am impressed with the interesting members that B2SN services; and have formed deep personal friendships with three of the members whom I would drop anything to help.

In our little corner of the Yarmouth Port community, B2SN is important to our neighbors, all of whom are full-time residents. I would hate to see people that I care about need to leave the community because of some limitation that I could help them to avoid. It is gratifying to help with simple tasks that solve problems or enrich my neighbor's lives. People in Colorado did that for my parents and I want to pay it forward, hoping that someone will feel the same for me in 30 years or so.

#### **BAY TO SOUND SPRING FLING!**



A good time was had by all at the recent Spring Fling luncheon where we were entertained by the Ukulele Club of Cape Cod.



## WATCH OUT FOR IMPOSTER SCAMS

According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), last year people reported almost half a million business and government imposter scams to the Commission. Under an imposter scam, the scammers impersonate business and government agencies to convince people to send money through bank transfers or with cryptocurrency. The FTC reports that scammers are relying more and more on text or email messages to initiate their scheme and less on phone calls.



The FTC highlights five most common imposter scams:

- 1. Scammers send bogus alerts about suspicious activity or unauthorized charges on your account.
- 2. Scammers send you phony notices saying they're going to charge you hundreds of dollars to renew a subscription, often impersonating Best Buy's Geek Squad tech support service.
- 3. Scammers make bogus allegations implying you committed a crime but then claim they'll connect you with someone who'll help.
- Scammers send you fake delivery notifications to trick you into giving up your financial information, and have been known to impersonate the <u>U.S. Postal Service</u> and <u>FedEx</u>.

Due to the prevalence of imposter scams, it is important to learn the anatomy of these scams and how you can avoid being caught up in them. You can find more information at the FTC website: <u>How To Avoid Imposter</u> <u>Scams | Consumer Advice (ftc.gov)</u>



#### DO YOU RECOGNIZE THE PLACE?





See the Trivia questions on page 4 to test your knowledge of this historic building!

Answers: **1**. 1930 **2**. False, the building was always designed to be a movie theater, but was modeled after the South Congregational Church in Centerville **3**. Rockwell Kent **4**. Wizard of Oz **5**. 311



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# Test your knowledge of the Cape Cod Cinema in Dennis:

- 1. What year was the Cape Cinema built?
- 2. True or false, the Cape Cinema was first a church?
- 3. Who painted the mural on the ceiling of the cinema?
- 4. What famous movie made its world premiere at the Cape Cinema on August 11, 1939?
- 5. How many seats does the Theater currently have?

Answers on page 3.

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