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### Last Weeks Speaker

Craig Lewin, who with all due respect is bat shit CRAZY!!! Swims long distance in frigid waters around the globe including Catalina Island swim to mainland (21 miles), English Channel (21 miles) and around Manhattan (21 miles, dead bodies and floating dookies extra). Extreme sport and takes skill and determination to cover these distances that you could also share with sharks, uboats and other nasty marine life. Like Edmund Hillary, who climbed because it was there, Craig swims because of challenge. Dress code: bathing suit, goggles, nose plugs THAT'S IT. No extra swimwear. Read more inside in Anne's notes.



## BEVERLY ROTARY CLUB SPROCKET NEWSLETTER

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Pay for meals, fines, happy dollars basically anything!

### COMING UP

Dec 12  
Adam Costa/BHS Jazz Band

Dec 19  
Rob Bonney/MIT Climate Change

Dec 25  
Jesus or Chinese food depending on your faith

Jan 2, 2025  
Alka seltzer for big headache on 1/1

# HOLIDAY CHEER ABOUNDS



Sean, you can be whatever you want, North Pole is a no judgement zone, with that said, for Santa's sake will you shave? We are puppets and supposed to be baby butt smooth, do some manscaping will you!

Such is the life of an elf, ahem mortgage lender, hey let's all sing a long with Bob, onea, twoa...

## MISFIT TOY CORNER



I'm an airplane that runs on strawberry jelly and pop tarts!

I'm a train with square wheels and shoots cheez whiz out of my stack

These aren't spots, I have the measles suckers!



I'm from Danvers



I'm scary plush toy

## Still Collecting Toys

We as a club have collected over 200 toys for Toys for Tots this year. You can still bring a toy to a meeting, where Santa Moiph will collect! OR you can drop off up to 12/20 at these fine locations: Custom Medicine, Super Sub, Keller Williams (Linda Turcotte), Edward Jones (Walter Hartford), AFC Urgent Care North Beverly, or M&T Bank North Beverly. Make a kid happy, make me happy.

## DOWNTOWN WINTER MARKET

cabot - dec 13th, 4-8pm  
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shop small & celebrate the season!

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# Last Week at Beverly Rotary

President Sean started the meeting at 12:15.

Connor Mooney led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

David Olson shared "Being in the Moment" a poignant reflection for us all.

Sue Osborne and Bob Butterworth celebrated their birthdays.

### Many Announcements!

Al Temkin encouraged members to join a Rotarian for some merry bell ringing. Two jolly bell ringers are better than one.

Carla Femino brought a fundraiser in-a-jar, asking people to contribute to BHS Interact Club's efforts to bring holiday joy to those in need.

Brian shared: Toys for Tots taking donations until Dec 20. Marshall is doing better and we're all very thankful for that. The BHS Jazz band will perform at our Dec 12 meeting, get out the festive garb and be there!

Sean noted the new informative Rotary booklets.

A motion passed to cancel our Dec 26 and Jan 2 meetings.

Ellis Square sent out an email detailing cooking baking for the good Elves.

Who's Happy!?!?

Brad is delighted that his son is finally

old enough for the best present in the universe, LEGO! Sean's daughter Allysa is becoming a true Jr. Rotarian, selling tickets and spreading our good deeds, everywhere she goes.

Jamie vacationed in Italy, very nice.

Ken had surgery and is thankful to be recovering well.

Dr. Beckman granted liquor licences, something we all can be grateful for.

Sergeant Dave read over 6 months of Sprockets-some by-the-numbers highlights:

830 misspellings (underestimated)

Brad late 32/32, consistency counts

NY Giants 0 wins

Linda's 30 minutes of announcement fame

Julie Flowers 6 reflections for 1247 minutes

Jackie for 250 emails

### Speaker Craig Lewin

Craig shared his extensive experience competing at all levels of swimming and in triathlons. Craig brings a unique perspective to the marathon swimming community and is able to impart this knowledge to better the athletes he coaches.

The rough water conditions of the

English Channel, the spectacular bioluminescence of Catalina, and oh the filth in New York City's waterways made for a fascinating story time.

Craig Lewin is an Ironman Certified Coach, a Channel Swimming Association Approved Coach, an ASCA Level 2 Coach and a US Masters Swimming Level 1 & 2 coach with over 15 years of swim coaching experience.

After years in the sport, Craig founded the Beyond The Breakers Open Water Swim Summit in 2024 to bring together experts in all things open water swimming to help others learn about all the opportunities out there, build connections and help others reach their goals. He is a graduate of Boston College with degrees in Economics and Sociology, a graduate of Salem State College with a BS in Sport Movement Science and a graduate of Northeastern University with an MS in Clinical Exercise Physiology.

Craig's "the Why" include: transformative journeys, feeling alive, motivational methods, and dedication and discipline, his accomplishments are an inspiration to us all.

### Raffle

No joker pulled but NSMT tickets were won!

God Bless Us Everyone

Meeting adjourned at 1:27.

Anne Curry

## In squeaky voice

Hi you know me as Cindy Lou Who, but did you know I've also played voice of:

Witch Hazel,

Chatty Cathy,

Natasha Fatale,

Nell Fenwick,

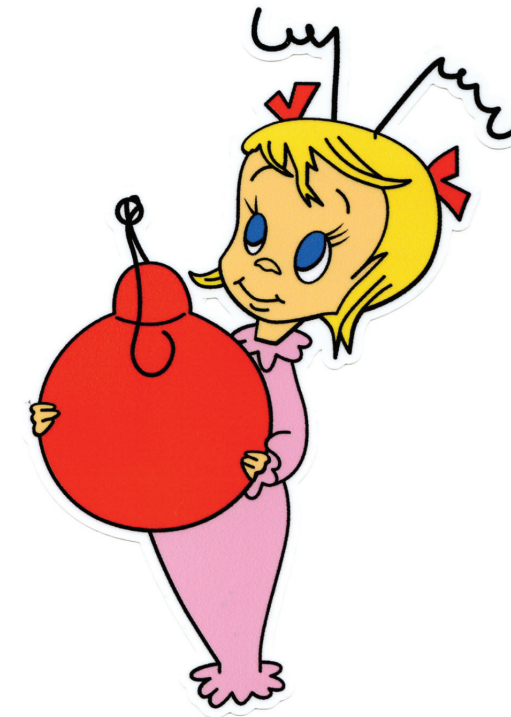
Rocket J. Squirrel,

Ursula (George of the jungle)

Ma Beagle

and many others, not bad for being

2 and half years old



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