

***Congratulations to Aziz!*** He will take his Oath of Allegiance on December 5 at the Colonial Capital. What a great day for him! \*\* Have you made your Christmas stocking for the “***Sewing for Literacy***” which is the silent auction that is being held at the ***Courthouse Restaurant*** until December 20<sup>th</sup>? \*\* Another fundraising event is being held on December 13<sup>th</sup> (11 AM – 4PM) at Gloucester Toyota Scion. There will be vendors with all sorts of merchandise for sale and raffles. There will be the Renaissance Spa Day Package (\$300.00) available as a raffle. Tell your friends, come by and buy raffle tickets with all proceeds going to support ALMP. Bring a toy for the Toys for Tots and fill the truck to provide the kids of the area with a merry Christmas. \*\* The school level spelling bee was held in November at THMS with Tyler Price spelling the winning word, meager. Next on the road to Washington, DC for the National Scripps Spelling Bee is the District Bee that has been rescheduled for January 2015. (The exact date, place and time TBA.) 20 spellers representing THMS will begin the week of December 1<sup>st</sup> meeting at the MML on Wednesday afternoons (as well as studying independently) to prepare for the next BEE. The District Bee will use the graded word list and the Spell It booklet as sources for the majority of the words in that BEE. The 10 best spellers from the District Bee will advance to the Regional Bee, February 28, 2015 at the West Mathews Civic League in Bohannon. \*\* ***Meetings for the month: 12/03: GCRC, 12/16: BoD @ GL, Rm. 2, 12/18: MCRC. Fundraising events: 12/13@ Gloucester Toyota Scion Toys for Tots and vendor sales and raffles to benefit ALMP and the ongoing silent auction “Christmas Stockings” at Courthouse Restaurant, 12/21 (12 – 7:00 PM) and 12/22 (11:00 – 7:00): Gift wrapping at Barnes and Noble in New Town (Wmsbg.) for donations.*** \*\* Please remember the GL will begin their holiday hours on December 21; check their closing hour. \*\* **ALMP will be on vacation December 24 - January 4.** Enjoy the holidays!