

The Windjammer

News from the Rotary Club of Portland, Maine

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Editor David Smith

If you have any comments or questions, please contact the editor.

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Eimskip, Portland and the Future of Container Shipping in the North Atlantic

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Feb 07, 2014

[Claire Berkowitz](#), Exec Dir, ME Children's Alliance

The Status of Children in Maine: 2013 Maine Kids Count Data Book

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[Ed Reichert](#), USM Musical Theater Valentine's Day Program and Sweetheart Auction

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[Dennis P. King](#), FACHE, President/CEO, MMHP and SHH
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01/24/14 THIS WEEK'S MEETING LOCATION

Posted by David Smith on Jan 19, 2014

ROTARY MEETING ON FRIDAY 01/24/14 IS AT THE CLARION HOTEL

INCREASE MEAL COST - EFFECTIVE 01/01/14

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 19, 2014

Our weekly lunch cost at Rotary has increased to \$15.00.

01/24/14 BOARD MEETING REMINDER

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 20, 2014

REMINDER 1/24/14

There is a Board of Directors meeting at 1:35 p.m. in the CHART ROOM at The Clarion Hotel

IMPORTANT ROTARY MEETING JANUARY 31ST

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 20, 2014

January 31st is the fifth Friday of January (one of only 4 months in the calendar year with 5 Fridays). PRESIDENT JOHN would like to designate it as "SIGNIFICANT OTHER DAY" and asks each member to bring their significant other as their guest to our meeting on that day.

01/15/14 CORRECTION TO 1/10/14 B&P ARTICLE

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 15, 2014

The "Thank You Letter" that was read by Jim Willey was not FROM the Long Creek Youth Center, but:

... FROM the Maine Veterans' Home, thanking Rotary and the young

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people from the Long Creek Youth Center Cedar Unit for the hand-made Thanksgiving cards sent to the veterans, thanking them for their military service."

*01/24/14 EIMSKIP - THE FUTURE OF CONTAINER SHIPPING IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 19, 2014



Our speaker this Friday will be Petur Peterson, the Eimskip Station Manager. Petur moved to Maine in July 2013, shortly after the relocation of the Eimskip North American headquarters to Portland, Maine from Norfolk, VA. Prior to his arrival in Portland, Petur was the Station Manager at John F. Kennedy International Airport, in charge of the international airfreight logistics for Eimskip.

Eimskip just celebrated its 100th anniversary, having been founded on January 17th 1914 as The Icelandic Steamship Company, making them the oldest shipping company in Iceland. Today Eimskip has offices in 18 countries, as well as agents in many other strategic locations. Eimskip moved their North American operations to Portland because of the city's proximity to European markets and because of recent improvements that have been made on the waterfront. Nearly \$8 million in state and federal funds will have been invested in the International Marine Terminal, including \$700,000 in improvements to make sure the facility meets the needs of Eimskip's refrigerated containers and a \$620,000 reach stacker.

Previous container shipping in Portland was a "feeder service," where Portland was linked with other steamship lines. The Eimskip service is different. They are using their own vessels and employees as well as offering direct service to Europe. They also offer "less than full container" service to local companies.

01/17/14 ALTERNATIVE POWER SOURCES IN MAINE

Posted by David Smith on Jan 20, 2014



Our speaker on Friday was our own past president and second-generation Rotarian, **DICK HALL**, senior project manager for SGC, a company which builds and provides alternative energy. Dick, speaking with the authority that only comes from an in-depth knowledge of his subject, covered Wind, Tidal, Wave and Solar

power.

Solar power in Maine is in its infancy with only 3-4 megawatts of power currently available. Solar requires six acres of land per-megawatt-generated in order to be efficient. Thus, it becomes problematic as to how much land would have to be acquired to generate sufficient power in the state. Tidal power currently has only one company operating in the state and generating about 150 kilowatts of power. No Wave power exists at

all in Maine although one project is in the very early stages of development. Both Tidal and Wave power are subject to serious damage during storms, so it is presently unclear where research and development goes from here. That brings us to Wind power, on and off shore.

There are currently 235 on-shore wind power turbines operating in Maine, generating 464 megawatts of power. This is enough to supply 220,000 homes with sufficient energy. Another way to look at it is that such non-polluting energy is akin to taking 100,000 cars off the road. Presently there are projects under way in the state which will generate anywhere from 4.5 to 132 megawatts.

Unlike Solar power, each turbine requires only three acres of land. Nevertheless, finding that available acreage across the state will present a problem. There are three companies in Maine currently developing wind farms: First Wind, Transcanada and Independence Wind. Together they have invested \$765 million in operating farms and \$431 million in permitted projects.

The construction of each job creates, on average, about 250 jobs. Maine has its own Wind Technician Training Program and 100% of the 2013 graduating class in this program found jobs. The reason all these jobs are needed is because of the huge mechanics of these turbines. The posts holding the blades can be anywhere from 356 to 590 feet high. The blades themselves can range in length from 118 to 246 feet long, depending on the amount of power being generated. In some cases the total diameter of the rotor will be bigger than the wingspan of an airbus.

Dick believes Offshore Wind Power is Maine's largest, untapped renewable resource. The posts can be anchored to floating foundations, minimizing storm damage and the turbines can be placed out of sight in water locations designated by the state. Maine Aqua Ventus, a project of the University of Maine, has received the permission of the State's Public Utilities Commission to proceed with construction of an offshore facility, thus making it eligible for a Federal grant in excess of \$40 million dollars. Three other offshore projects are nearing completion in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New Jersey.

The future of windpower is filled with challenges, including political, financial and technological. Nevertheless, the potential of great progress is there.

01/17/14 BITS AND PIECES

Posted by Robert Martin on Jan 20, 2014

GARVEY MACLEAN started our meeting with our invocation. Our guests included Brent Noyes, son of PETER NOYES; Stella Patten, whom we all know as BOB PATTEN'S better half, and CHARLIE FRAIR'S dad, Paul.

RUSS and KATHY led us in the singing of "Blowin' in the Wind," in honor of our speaker, DICK HALL. Bob Dylan would have been pleased.

PHIL EVERETT drew the Ace of Clubs, but not the Queen of Hearts, as he tried take home the \$444 Raffle pot. Loretta had given the deck a really good shuffle.



1st VP KRIS ROSADO shared the upcoming date of February 6 as the date of the re-gifting auction by the Rotary Club of South Portland at the Snow Squall. See Kris for details. He also said that our Club would be dilligent in sticking to committee budgets and urged all Committee

Chairs to start forming their new budgets for the coming 2014-15 year.

AMY CHIPMAN gave us wonderful news about the Rotary Foundation. Our Club has now raised \$7,500 of the \$15,000 we are seeking for the Foundation. On top of that, half of our contributions to the Foundation come back to the District in the form of funds available for a wide variety of grants. Peter Johnson, District Chair of the Rotary Foundation committee, spread the news that last year \$147,000 was raised by the District for the Rotary Foundation. This year \$73,427 will be returned to the District, with the proceeds split in half and shared equally for Global Grants and Community Grants. Some of these funds were given to our own 3-H project.



EMILY McENTEE told us that the Sweetheart Auction, originally scheduled for February 14, has been postponed to March 14 and has become the "Spring Fling Auction." Proceeds will benefit our operating expenses. Donations of new items, or unopened gifts, can be made to EMILY, LORETTA, or ELLEN

NIEWOEHNER. Volunteers are also being requested for helping with the plans and on the day of the auction. Donations can be brought to a Rotary meeting and given to one of our Team-of-3 ladies. Contact them with any questions.

DAVE SMALL brought us regards from DUANE PEARCE, whom he visited at Maine Medical Center. Duane is frail, but in good spirits and as always, is interested in

what is happening at Rotary.



1ST VP KRIS and PP CYRUS HAGGE described the results of a visit with the Boys and Girls Club, where the upcoming Challenge was discussed. The Boys and Girls Club is providing a significant contribution of time and expertise for marketing and communications materials and has been the catalyst for the formation of a number of teams. Kris encouraged us to start getting our teams together. The MOC will be here before we know it.

01/24/14 THIS WEEK'S ASSIGNMENTS

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 19, 2014

Program/Presentation Reporter: Gene Story
Bits & Pieces Reporter: Peter Noyes
Registration: Justin LaMontagne
Meal Ticket Sales: Rich Campbell
Greeter: Steve Ditmer
Raffle: Jake Bourdeau
Invocator: David Small
Music - Song Leader: Bill Blount
Music - Piano Player: No piano - on the road
Sgt at Arms - Early: Jake Bourdeau
Sgt at Arms - Late: Bruce Moore

2014 ON-THE-ROAD LOCATIONS FOR PORTLAND ROTARY MEETINGS

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 19, 2014

If you would like to mark your calendars for our 'On-The-Road' locations that are coming up for the year, here is where our meetings will be held:

Jan. 24 - The Clarion

Jan. 31 - The Clarion

Feb. 7 - The Clarion

Feb. 14 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Feb. 21 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Feb. 28 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Mar. 7 - The Clarion

Mar. 14 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Mar. 21 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Mar. 28 - Boys & Girls Club

Apr. 4 - The Clarion
Apr. 11 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay
Apr. 18 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay
Apr. 25 - The Clarion

May 2 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay
May 9 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Dates in **BOLD** are scheduled Board of Director meetings.

Any questions, please contact Loretta at: lrowe@maine.rr.com

FROM THE WORLD OF TENNIS (update 1/21/14)

Posted by William Blount on Jan 21, 2014

**THE ROTARY DOUBLES TENNIS LEAGUE - SPRING SEASON 2014
(updated 1/21/14)**

After week three, all teams have played twice. Two points separate the leaders from a three-way tie for last place. Team parity is a distinct possibility. Last season, the commissioner recalls a default may have affected Jake Bourdeau's team.



Tennis fellowship at the Sea Dog.....another

good reason to play

TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3	TEAM 4	TEAM 5	TEAM 6
J Barns	L Gross	J Bourdeau	D Seddon	J Bourdeau	S Blakeslee
P Noyes	Ken Ray	J Young	D Hall	F Thompson	B Blount
B Moore	C Bowker	D Putnam	H Herodes	A Chipman	R Asch
J Houghton	K Grammer	R Burleigh	L Young	E Jorgensen	J Carr
3	5	3	4	4	3

MISSED A PROGRAM?

Posted by David Smith on Dec 29, 2013



You can watch our recent Portland Rotary Club speakers on the Community Television Network website:

<http://ctn5.org/shows/rotary-club-speakers-series>

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