

# The Windjammer

## News from the Rotary Club of Portland, Maine

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Hello Loretta! This email has been generated just for you as a member of our club. We hope you enjoy receiving this newsletter!

*Editor David Smith*

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

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### Stories

#### 01/31/14 THIS WEEK'S MEETING LOCATION

Posted by David Smith on Jan 25, 2014

## ROTARY MEETING ON FRIDAY 01/31/14 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.**

#### SIGNIFICANT OTHER 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 this Friday.**

#### \*01/31/14 MAINE-WABANAKI - STATE CHILD WELFARE TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION (TRC)

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 26, 2014



Our speaker this Friday will be Arla Patch, the Community Engagement Coordinator for Maine-Wabanaki REACH. She's an artist, teacher and facilitator of healing using art. She's been teaching art for 42 years and has written two books that combine photography with healing. Maine-Wabanaki REACH (Reconciliation, Engagement, Advocacy, Change and Healing) is a coalition of

native and non-native people who support the work of the Maine Wabanaki-State Child Welfare Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC). The TRC was developed slowly over a period of years and is the first truth commission on the topic of what has happened to indigenous children in the child welfare system for the entire United States.

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In 1999 when the federal government looked into Maine's compliance with the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA 1978) and discovered high levels of non-compliance, efforts were made to educate social workers about native culture and history. These efforts improved the situation to a degree, but didn't go far enough. That is when it was decided to have a truth commission on this history that we share.

The three goals of the truth commission are:

- To find out and write down what happened,
- To give Wabanaki people a place to share their stories and have a voice,
- To give the Maine child welfare system suggestions on how it can work better with Wabanaki people.

The five commissioners were seated in February 2013 and have begun their work of visiting Wabanaki communities. Their process is mandated for two and a half years. Maine-Wabanaki REACH is preparing the communities for the work of the TRC and will implement the TRC's recommendations in the years to come.

### 01/24/14 EIMSKIP - CONTAINER SHIPPING IN NORTH ATLANTIC

Posted by Eugene Story on Jan 26, 2014



**PETER GOFFIN** introduced **Petur Peterson**, the Eimskip Station Manager for Portland as our speaker of the day. Eimskip, the Icelandic Steamship Company, moved their U.S. operations from Norfolk, VA to Portland, Maine for a number of reasons, including the shorter distance to Europe, a better infrastructure with the reconditioned International Terminal, and a better connection to the New England market. Eimskip is the largest and oldest shipping company, based in Iceland, having just celebrated its 100th anniversary.

While in the past, the International Terminal primarily served feeder services for other shipping companies, Eimskip has made a major commitment to their Portland operation to help expand the terminal for their refrigerated container business. They will also be expanding their own staff, providing needed jobs in Maine. There are currently two Eimskip ships calling at the terminal each month.

Mr. Peterson explained their various container lines operating in Europe and the scope of their interconnecting services providing a direct link from Portland to many European ports. He mentioned the latest Eimskip undertaking.....planning a Northwest Passage service with a Chinese company, an Article Sea Route. They are also exploring a planned expansion of business with Newfoundland, which could serve as an increased business path to the U.S.

The Eimskip business will require an expanded rail freight service to the International Terminal which can serve many companies in the Portland area. In addition to the ship's business, Eimskip has a growing freight forwarding business where they transship containers all over the world, being one of the largest transshippers of frozen fish.

Overall the teaming of the Portland International Terminal with

Eimskip represents a partnership that can have great benefits for the State of Maine and Iceland. Maine and Iceland have many things in common from coastline to climate to population size and the future seems very promising.

We are fortunate to have Eimskip in Portland and thank Mr. Peterson for his very comprehensive presentation.

#### **STUFF-THE-BUS FOOD DRIVE & FRUGAL FEAST**

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 27, 2014

The Portland Rotary Club has partnered with KeyBank to ask for your assistance in helping those who struggle to fulfill their daily needs.

Community Service Committee Chair, **STEVE STROMSKY**, is spearheading a food drive to "STUFF THE BUS" in support of Preble Street Resource Center (the local food pantry beneficiary). Here is a "Wish List" of items you might consider bringing to Rotary over the next 4 weeks, as we collect boxed, canned and non-perishable food goods. You may also drop off the donated items at Steve's office at KeyBank, Monument Square or any KeyBank in the greater Portland area:

- juice
- coffee and tea
- cereal
- pancake mix
- pancake syrup
- canned vegetables
- canned fruit
- canned soup
- canned beans
- chicken broth
- rice and/or pasta
- spaghetti sauce
- canned tomatoes
- canned tuna
- canned chicken
- sugar
- flour
- condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayo)
- vegetable oil
- salad dressing

The "drive" will culminate on Feb. 22nd where all Rotarians in the district are invited to gather at the Woodford's Church for the **2nd Annual Frugal Feast**. There will be a \$25 cost, that includes a donation to the Rotary Foundation.

5:00 Social hour (cash bar, beer and wine)

5:30 Welcome

5:45 Dinner (soup, salad, garlic bread, greek pizza, dessert) catered by 'A Fine Kettle of Fish'

6:45 Program (speaker TBA) and announcement of 'Service Above Self' honoree

Attire - New England winter comfortable

For further details, please contact Steve at:

[stevan\\_j\\_stromsky@keybank.com](mailto:stevan_j_stromsky@keybank.com)

## 01/24/14 BITS AND PIECES

Posted by David Smith on Jan 26, 2014

The meeting started with **DAVE SMALL** giving the invocation, first quoting Gandhi on the definition of happiness is "when what you think, what you say and what you do are in harmony" and then, in acknowledgement of the freezing temperatures outside, quoting Dr. John Maxwell, that "most people are willing to change, not because they see the light, but because they feel the heat."



**PREZ JOHN AND BILL BLOUNT** led us in a rousing rendition of an acapella song. They were quite proud of themselves for singing with such gusto and congratulated each other!

**PREZ JOHN** then issued an edict that, because our next meeting fell on January 31, the fifth Friday of the month (only 4 in the calendar year), that Friday was significant, so the meeting would be named "Significant Other Day" and we were all encouraged to bring our significant others to prove to them we were not a secret society. **GUS KARLSEN** wanted to know if he could bring his wife instead...

Another question buzzing around the room was why **JUSTIN LAMONTAGNE** was so excited. It was BECAUSE he and his wife are expecting a baby boy in May to join his big sister! CONGRATULATIONS to everyone in this growing family and to a future Rotarian.

There was \$467 in the raffle pot this week and **LORETTA** had a chance to win it, but didn't. She did draw a red face card, however, to show she's getting closer and closer.

Our luncheon guests included Jonathan Dawson, Trey Melbourne and **2nd VP BOWEN DEPKE'S** son, Alex, who was out of school Friday while recovering from a hockey concussion. **PREZ JOHN** wished him a speedy recovery and quipped that he knew Alex would make a better recovery than he, himself, had made from his own concussion suffered from last year's accident during the "Trek Across Maine." Good luck, Alex, from all of us.



**JAN CHAPMAN** (Co-Chair of the International Service Committee) proudly showed us the Rotarian magazine featuring an article and centerfold photo submitted to RI about life in the Dominican Republic by our own member, **JOHN CURRAN**.

Our Rotary Club delivered 164 toiletries to Preble Street Resource Center and Hope House (a transitional residence for people seeking asylum). Keep traveling and keep donating!!

### 2014 ON-THE-ROAD LOCATIONS FOR PORTLAND ROTARY MEETINGS

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 26, 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. 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](mailto:lrowe@maine.rr.com)

### 01/31/14 THIS WEEK'S ASSIGNMENTS

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Jan 26, 2014

**Program/Presentation Reporter:** Garvey Maclean

**Bits & Pieces Reporter:** Bill Blount

**Registration:** Bruce Moore

**Meal Ticket Sales:** Janelle LoSciuto

**Greeter:** Bob Martin

**Raffle:** Emily McEntee

**Invoker:** Alan Nye

**Music - Song Leader:** Russ Burleigh

**Music - Piano Player:** No piano - on the road

**Sgt at Arms - Early:** Mac Collins

**Sgt at Arms - Late:** Chase Bowker

### FROM THE WORLD OF TENNIS (updated 1/28/14)

Posted by William Blount on Jan 28, 2014

THE ROTARY DOUBLES TENNIS LEAGUE - SPRING SEASON 2014  
(updated 1/28/14)

Please note errata: last week's scores were inadvertently entered incorrectly. This week's scores are deemed credible. The Commissioner apologizes for any anxiety or inconvenience.

<b>TEAM 1</b>	<b>TEAM 2</b>	<b>TEAM 3</b>	<b>TEAM 4</b>	<b>TEAM 5</b>	<b>TEAM 6</b>
J Barns	L Gross	J Bourdeau	D Seddon	B Lowry	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
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>

**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>

You can always find the link on the Portland Rotary Home Page!

**Loretta's Commitments**