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02/21/14 MEETING LOCATION

Posted by David Smith on Feb 16, 2014

**WE ARE MEETING AT
THE HOLIDAY INN BY-THE-BAY
FRIDAY, 02/21/14**

*02/21/14 GREG BELANGER - OCEAN PROGRAM SAILING

Posted by David Smith on Feb 17, 2014



Our speaker on Friday will be Greg Belanger, Executive Director of Ocean Classroom Foundation (OCF), a 20-year-old non-profit organization that operates a fleet of traditional sailing ships dedicated to education at sea. Last year, OCF announced plans to consolidate its operations at the new Portland Yacht Services facility now under construction. Greg will outline OCF's plan to collaborate with the Portland community and offer a vision for contributing to the growing vibrancy of the Portland waterfront.

OCF operates semester-at-sea programs for U.S. and international students. The students sail over 5,000 nautical miles, visiting more than a dozen island nations while completing an accredited course of study. The program is non-sectarian and committed to community service, compassionate leadership and an emphasis on the development of self-reliance *within* an interdependent community.

OCF has three guiding principals in the way it teaches students:

- 1) Full training and participation in the operation and life of the ship;
- 2) Training in the art and science of seamanship; and
- 3) Appreciation for the environment and ecology of the sea.

In late November of this year, Ocean Classroom concluded its 20th Ocean Semester with Proctor Academy....twenty years of safe, transformative, accredited education at sea....for almost 500 students who have sailed, lived and learned aboard, have shaped their lives and made friends forever.

Prior to OCF, Greg led an international program to sail the *S/V Amistad* on goodwill missions to Europe and Africa in 2007 and, in 2010, on a ground-breaking voyage to Cuba. He was a journalist at the Times-Picayune in New Orleans where he covered the environment and the

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fishing industry, and later, tenured as Professor of Journalism at Central Connecticut State University. He left academics in 2005 to start an internet-based exchange for the sale of sustainable seafood.

Greg has a B.A. in History and Philosophy from Alfred University; a M.A. in American History from University of New Orleans; and a J.D. from Quinnipiac University School of Law.

STUFF-THE-BUS FOOD DRIVE & FRUGAL FEAST

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Feb 17, 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 spear-heading 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

If you would prefer to make a monetary donation because you don't like, want, or have time to shop for food items, you can make your check payable to: Portland Rotary Charitable Fund and put a memo on it saying it is for the "Stuff The Bus" food drive.

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/World Understanding and Peace Dinner**. 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)

Attire - New England winter comfortable

Entertainment by The Harbour Singers

Who should attend? All District 7780 Rotarians and their guests! Come to reconnect with Rotarian friends and make new Rotarian friendships. Come for the fellowship. Celebrate our district's support of local food pantries. Be inspired by the stories of our speakers' stories and share stories of engaged Rotarians who are changing lives.

Register at www.Rotary7780.org

Pay on-line by credit card or mail payment (check payable to Rotary District 7780) to:

Linda Morkeski, Rotary Frugal Feast, 7 Oak Street, Boothbay Harbor, ME 04538

For further details, please contact Steve at: stevan_j_stromsky@keybank.com

02/21/14 THIS WEEK'S ASSIGNMENTS

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Feb 16, 2014

Invoker: Paul Tully
Program/Presentation Reporter: Dick Hall
Bits & Pieces Reporter: Ben Lowry
Registration: Jon Young
Meal Ticket Sales: Russell Voss
Greeter: Suzanne Umland
Raffle: Loretta Rowe
Music - Song Leader: Al Sargent
Music - Piano Player: Peggy Wescott
Sgt at Arms - Early: Scott Blakeslee
Sgt at Arms - Late: Bruce Moore

2014 ON-THE-ROAD LOCATIONS FOR PORTLAND ROTARY MEETINGS

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Feb 16, 2014

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

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 (updated 2/18/14)

Posted by William Blount on Feb 18, 2014

THE ROTARY DOUBLES TENNIS LEAGUE - WINTER/SPRING 2014 (updated 2/18/14)

Find your substitutes early.....a lot of folks on vaca for mud season.

TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3	TEAM 4	TEAM 5	TEAM 6
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
9	10	10	9	8	5

MISSED A PROGRAM?

Posted by David Smith on Feb 04, 2014



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!