

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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District Conference/Portland Rotary Meeting

May 23, 2014

Joe Foster
World War II History

May 30, 2014

IMPORTANT CLUB ASSEMBLY
A "CAUSE" - THE FUTURE OF PORTLAND ROTARY

Jun 06, 2014

Maine Senate Speaker Justin Alfond
The 126th Legislature

Jun 27, 2014

Professor Charles Norchi
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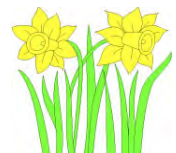
Posted by David Smith on May 10, 2014



FRIDAY 5/16/14

WE ARE MEETING AT

**THE WESTIN HARBORVIEW
HOTEL**



AT THE ROTARY DISTRICT 7780 CONFERENCE

*05/16/14 DISTRICT CONFERENCE LUNCH AT WESTIN HARBORVIEW HOTEL

Posted by Loretta Rowe on May 12, 2014



On Friday, May 16, 2014, we will have our weekly meeting in conjunction with the kick-off to the District 7780 Conference at the Westin Harborview Hotel, 157 High Street, Portland.

If you have pre-registered, please arrive early, as the meeting will start at noon SHARP. You will want to arrive early enough to find a parking option as sent out in a previous email.

05/09/14 South Portland-Cape Elizabeth and Outward Bound

Posted by Garvey MacLean on May 14, 2014

On Friday, we had 16 members of the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club joining us in a fun-packed meeting.



The program was brought to us by Geoffrey Scott, Custom Programs Director of Outward Bound. According to Geoff, Outward Bound is more than the *Hurricane Island School*. Outward Bound manages several products: a Veteran's program, a program for grieving teens, and one which is dear to Geoff – professional development.

Research has shown that, in the average U.S. company, 13% of the workers are fully engaged, 27% are moderately engaged, 35% are under engaged, and 24% are disengaged. Research has also shown that there are five things

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which move people—confidence, career development, personal accomplishment, recognition, and compensation.



Geoff's specialty is "Career Development," which he does very well. He took us through two exercises: one which dealt with "competition" and one which dealt with "team work." It was quite a sight – a room full of Rotarians "thumb wrestling" and then teams building three-foot-high, free-standing, paper towers to hold a water balloon using limited resources: a 3-foot piece of masking tape and newspapers.

Remarkably, Geoff accomplished in 10 minutes what normally takes 45 minutes.

Well, let's face it—he was working with Rotarians.



05/09/14 BITS AND PIECES

Posted by Toby Cook on May 13, 2014

President John reminded us that the District Conference is next week, Friday through Sunday, at the Westin Harborview Hotel in Portland. Our regular Friday lunch will be there at the District Conference. You must have signed up ahead of time, as they will not accept walk-ins. Deadline for pre-registering was May 12th.

R.I. has initiated a new program for sponsoring new members, as well as the new member. Sponsor a new member and you'll not only strengthen our club, you'll also get recognized for your efforts. Through the *New Member Sponsor Recognition* program, sponsors will now receive a specially-designed Rotary pin and recognition on Rotary's website. Each week, R.I. will send out a packet containing the names of newly identified sponsors along with Rotary pins and as many as four different-colored pin backers. The color of the backer depends on the number of new members sponsored, ranging from blue for one member, to gold for six or more. Keep track of the number of members you've sponsored by checking your '**My Rotary**' profile page on R.I.'s website (www.rotary.org). Gold-level sponsors will also be listed in the *Membership Recognition Gallery*. Two of our members have received this special recognition for sponsoring new members into our Club: **Peter Goffin** and **Ellen Niewoehner**.... Congratulations to **Peter** and **Ellen**! (Prez. John awarding new sponsor pin to Ellen Niewoehner at right)



Marge Barker, District Governor-Nominee, of the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club took to the podium to ask for 3-4 volunteers to be at the Westin at 7:30 a.m. on Friday to help stuff goodie bags for the attendees at the District Conference. We know of one of our members who must like getting up early, because she volunteered to help...**Loretta**.

Bowen Depke announced that we will be having an important Club Assembly on Friday May 30th. The Club will be asked whether it wishes to adopt a more focused "cause" and if so, what that cause would be. Members are being asked to please make every effort to be there and to bring their thoughts and ideas.

Ron Bennett conducted the raffle drawing and, low and behold, his name was chosen. (He assures us it wasn't rigged.) Unfortunately, (or luckily), he did not win the \$787 pot.

Eric Grevin, a prospective new member was recognized during the introduction of visiting guests and Rotarians.

The *Maine Outdoor Challenge* is coming up soon (June 2-4). We still need volunteers for all 3 days for both the LLBean and Wolfe Neck locations. Sign-up sheets will be on the tables for the next few weeks or contact **Mike Fortunato**.



Peter Ingram (at left) gave a very entertaining summary of our clubs fund-raising efforts over the last year, assisted by



the interpretive drawings of his 4-year old son.

Jim Willey is still asking the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Club when he is going to get the special 50% Rotary discount on Christmas Trees (one of their winter fund-raising events).

Rumor has it that **Don Lowry** is back in town and will be attending our meetings soon.

Harold Crabill reports that there is a major event for *Rippleffect* next Friday and Saturday, May 16-17th. The event is called "*Over the Edge*" and is being held to promote youth leadership and development through adventure, healthy communities and sustainable living. Saturday, the

17th, is *Rappel for Rippleffect Day*. Three of our club members, **Bowen Depke**, **Harold Crabill** and **Justin Lamontagne** will be rappelling off the roof of One City Center in the afternoon. That might be worth watching...definitely worth supporting.

IMPORTANT CLUB ASSEMBLY ON MAY 30, 2014

Posted by Bowen Depke on May 13, 2014

We will have a very important Club Assembly on May 30th. Your attendance is vital to the direction the club will take over the next several years. At the assembly, we will discuss the possibility of the club focusing its efforts on a local "cause" and several suggested causes will be debated. If we decide this is the course our club wants to take, one will be chosen.

Separate documents were sent to you via email that laid out the Board's support for this assembly, the timeline, and a form for submitting your recommendation for a cause. Please provide me (Bowen) with your feedback as soon as you can.

If you have any questions, please email me at bdepke@hotmail.com.

PREPARING FOR THE 2014-15 ROTARY YEAR

Posted by Loretta Rowe on May 12, 2014

THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO CHECK YOUR PERSONAL INFO ON OUR CLUB WEBSITE:

1. **Go to the club website and check your personal information to be sure it is correct.** Information for the roster is pulled from the website, so **if it is wrong on the website, it will be wrong in the roster.** You can make ANY changes to your personal or business information yourself. If you need assistance/instructions or would prefer us to make the changes, please contact Loretta.
2. **If you are new to the club (since July 1, 2013), please email a head-shot photo of yourself directly to Loretta to use in the roster....OR if you are in need/want of having your photo (re)taken, please contact Russ Burleigh to have one taken at a Rotary meeting.**
3. **Consider putting your company's ad (or your own personal ad) in the new roster...it helps defray the printing costs. Please contact Loretta.**

Loretta's email address: lrowe@maine.rr.com

Thank you.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Posted by Loretta Rowe on Apr 07, 2014

The meeting minutes of the Portland Rotary Club's Board of Directors is posted on our

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website the month following their approval. Please go to the "Home Page" and click on the "Board Meeting Minutes" in the listing at the left. Please be patient, as the site is still under construction with the uploads.

Proposed Member Applications

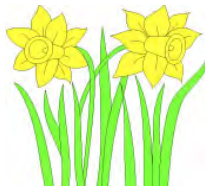
Posted by Loretta Rowe on Apr 22, 2014

We are posting PROPOSED MEMBER APPLICATIONS on our club website. From the home page, there is a list on the left that says "Site Pages." Click on the appropriate title near the bottom of the list. You are encouraged to review the applications and provide any feedback you might want to share about the applicants to the officers/chair indicated on the site.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Loretta at: lrowe@maine.rr.com

05/16/14 THIS WEEK'S ASSIGNMENTS

Posted by Loretta Rowe on May 12, 2014



Invocator: None
Program/Presentation Reporter: JANELLE LOSCIUTO
Bits & Pieces Reporter: BEN LOWRY
Registration: LORETTA ROWE
Meal Ticket Sales: None
Greeter: None
Raffle: None
Music - Song Leader: JANELLE LOSCIUTO
Music - Piano Player: RUSS BURLEIGH
Sgt at Arms - Early: MIKE FORTUNATO
Sgt at Arms - Late: MIKE FORTUNATO

2014 ON-THE-ROAD LOCATIONS FOR PORTLAND ROTARY MEETINGS

Posted by Loretta Rowe on May 12, 2014

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



May 16 - Westin Harborview (Eastland) - District Conference

May 23 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

May 30 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Jun 6 - **The Clarion Hotel**

Jun 13 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Jun 20 - Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Jun 27 - **The Clarion Hotel**

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 5/12/14)

Posted by William Blount on May 12, 2014

THE ROTARY DOUBLES TENNIS LEAGUE - WINTER/SPRING 2014 (updated 5/5/14)

Victors of the Winter/Spring Rotary Doubles Tennis League are 'The Big Ben Machine'! We salute you! Congratulations Ben, Fred, Amy and Erik! The end-of-season social event is at Erik and Tamara's. Save the date: Thursday, May 22nd at 5:30 p.m. Members, look for your invite and your 2014-15 dues invoice sent out today. Thank you all. See you at Erik's

I thank you all. See you at ERK S.

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
18	18	21	24	28	21

MISSED A PROGRAM?

Posted by David Smith on May 12, 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!

Loretta's Commitments