



Bug Light South Portland

Wednesday 6:15 p.m. at Purpoodock Club, Spurwink Avenue, Cape Elizabeth

### January 13, 1998

Between the holidays and poor weather it has been a long time since we convened as a group (or had a bulletin!) Despite a record ice storm, there were about 25 hardy members who slid into the McKernan Center on January 7. Despite the absence of a program (our speaker, Bert Silverman was unable to make it), it was a pleasant evening for all who were there. **Mike McGovern** did the invocation, and designated song leader **Jack Roberts** paid **Joe Conroy** to sing "Take Me Out To The Hockey Game" **Warren Simpson** won the raffle gift (donated by **Bob Lavasseur**), a bottle of "spirits"- appropriate since it was a "dry" meeting.



Soup Kitchen

Tuesday evening our group served supper to over 200 customers; those ably representing our club were Paul Butler, Dan and Shirley Mooers, Dan Davidson, Ibby and Joe Conroy, Frank Butterworth and Bob Packer. Thank you all for volunteering your time for this very worthy cause.

The Slate of Officers and Board of Directors for Rotary Year 1998-1999 were voted and approved on January 7, 1998

President: President Elect: Vice-President: Secretary: Treasurer: Directors: Nancy Hawes Don Day Adrienne Murphy Paul Butler Keith McAlary Rick Dobson Joanne Stuart Bob Packer Karen Dunfey



Ho Ho Ho!! Tree Update

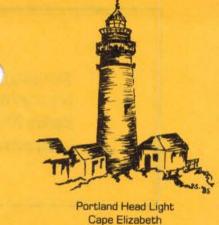
Nancy Hawes has reported that our tree sale this year was a SELLOUT!!! The Club netted \$23,000 when all is said and done under Nancy's direction. Great job, Nancy and Kathy Ray, who made sure that the lot was fully staffed at all times.

This Wednesday our Club had a joint meeting hosted by the Casco Bay Sunrise Club at the Civic Center. There we convened pregame at the President's Club. There was a good turnout, and a good time was had by all. It was a good game, with our Portland Pirates coming out ahead (4 to 2); all the Rotarians must have brought them luck! Thank you to Warren Simpson who helped coordinate things for our club.

On a more somber note, it seems that Carl Pearson is ill; Carl is a former member of our Club (who can forget his jokes and wit, which he employed as Bulletin Editor). If you want to drop Carl a card, his address is:

8 Russett Lane, Cape Elizabeth, 04107

Upcoming Events 1/21 Cheryl Greeley Dance Group will be performing for us; feel free to bring your spouse, Board Meeting follows 1/28 James Baker is our speaker ; CFO Guy Gannet Communications, Chairman of Board Mercy Health Systems 2/4 Program is a tour of Direct Mail of Maine; we will meet at Carson's Restaraunt for a full turkey dinner before our tour. Cost is \$12.00. 2/11 Jeff Hobbs will do a classification talk



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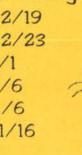


## Basketball

Monday 1/26 7:15-9:15 Thursday 2/5 7:15-9:15 Cape Elizabeth Middle School; see Dan Davidson for details

## Belated Happy Birthday:

Dave Bagdasarian	12/
Rick Dobson	12/
Janet McLaughlin	1/1
Jeff Hobbs	1/6
Joanne Stuart	1/6
Jack Roberts	1/





## Belated Anniversary Wishes

Karen & Roy Dunfey 12/20 Dan & Shirley Mooers 12/31 Alec & Sharon Livingston 1/7 Warren & Velma Simpson 1/16







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President Jim Russell presided over our first meeting of the year back at the Purpoodock Club (it has been 5 weeks!!) Dan Mooers did the invocation and asked for help from "above" to find us a songleader; he must have some pull; Sam Rinaldi did the Club a favor by stepping in for Laurenz Schmidt as songleader. In honor of our program, Sam lead a very spirited rendition of "Give My Regards to Braoadway" (Cheryl Greely Theatra-Dance Studio is located on Broadway) Everyone was in high spirits, and we had a very "Happy" meeting:

**\$\$\$** Paul Butler had greetings to the Club from Sam Giftos in Florida. Seems Sam had just celebrated his thirtieth anniversary as a Rotarian with charter President (and Sam's sponsor), Dick Kilroy. In honor of this, Sam sent 30 Happy Dollars, thanks and congratulations, Sam!

**\$\$\$** Cynthia Mowles was happy to win the raffle gift that she herself had donated.

L\$\$\$ Laurenz was very happy that God had listened and provided Sam Rinaldi as a stand in for song leader. Laurenz stated that" he would rather strip than sing"......I am not going to disclose who at my table stated that they "would rather see him sing than strip"......

**\$\$\$ Dan Davidson** was very happy that **Jack Roberts** agreed to help out with his chain-saw to clean up Dan's property in Casco...Jack, in your absence, **Janet McLaughlin** welcomed you into the "Over 50 Club"; congratulations!

**\$\$\$ Mike McGovern** welcomed Nancy Hawes into the "Society of Past Organizers of the Tree Sale". This entitles Nancy to freely dispense unsolicited advice on how to run the tree sale to future incoming Presidents. Welcome to this illustrious (and large group), Nancy!

**\$\$\$ Dave Lourie** was happy that in his suit against the City of S.P. (to open all of the polling places for the upcoming election), he is at last representing a" popular cause".

**\$\$\$ Warren Simpson** was happy to have celebrated 55 years of bliss with his wife Velma. ('It doesn't get easier, fellas...) Apparantly the bulletin editor got Warren in trouble by erroneously reporting that he had won the raffle gift at the McKernan Center, a "bottle of spirits" that, of course, never surfaced at the Simpson home. (Dick Yerxa won). The editor apologizes for any undue stress/strain this may have caused...the reporting error was due to mistaken information supplied by President Jim (who proferred a sad dollar/ fine).

**\$\$\$ Bill Stanton** was happy to have had a hearing problem corrected just before Christmas and declared he "had no idea what a loud group this was!!"

### Group Study Exchange

Karen Dunfey announced that the incoming GSE team from Finland will be coming to our area Sunday, May31 through Saturday, June 6. Host families are needed, as well, as people to help entertain, transport, etc. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about another culture first-hand. More information to follow.



Our Club was treated to a wonderful program by The Cheryl Greely Theatra-Dance Group hosted by Dick Holden. Cheryl brought her competition team to do a variety of numbers for us. This group travels to different dance competitions around the country, and has won many awards. The creative genius behind the group, Cheryl Greely has won the Diamond Dance Choreography Award. The dance numbers were varied and very creative. We had "You're Not From Texas" (a routine that won the team a gold medal at the Nationals last year) to "Hair" (took some us back a few years!) a military "My Feet Can't Fail Me Now" from Sargeant Bilko, a stirring modern dance, Keith Kersnowski sang "On The Street Where You Live"from My Fair Lady. The group ended our very entertaining evening with a very stirring "Outcast" from The Hunchback of Notre Dame featuring Jessica Greely singing beautifully.

The dancers were enthusiastic and obviously truly enjoy what they are. The budding performers also include a Broadway star (Anna Kendrick will appear in "High Society") as well as Micheal Kendrick who was recently hired to appear in a McDonald's commercial. The group is getting ready to go to a regional competition and then on to the Nationals in Washington, D.C. In last year's Nationals the group made it to the "dance-off".

If you missed this meeting, you missed a lot! Thank you to Dick Holden and Cheryl Greely for bringing this talented group to perform for us; it was a very enjoyable evening for everyone..

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2/18 College exchange student Maxim Drick will give us a younger persons view on "The New Russia"

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#### Happy Dollars



Nancy Hawes was at the helm on Wednesday evening in preparation for next year (President Jim was attending a District President's Meeting) and did admirably (she said she felt the thrill of power). Cynthia Mowles did the invocation (with a reference to our President's "frailties"). Captain Lloyd filled in as songleader with a hearty rendition of "Hello Dolly". For the second week in a row, the designated raffle gift donator won their own raffle gift-last week Cynthia Mowles, this week Adrienne Murphy. Hopefully the trend will continue for B.J. Nicholson next week.

Bob Lavasseur was happy that he never lost power at all; he has been travelling upstate and in Canda's "Black Triangle" with toppled towers and huge trees down everywhere..

Dick Yerxa was happy that the power helped his business (may as well have some good from a bad situation!)

Laurenz Schmidt was draining his hot tub (into his basement as it turns out). He was happy to have caught it early, and for the fact the situation allowed for a "natural humidifier".

Floridian **Wayne Goodrich** paid us another visit and relayed a story about being pursued in Oakhurst by a hirsute truck driver; not knowing what lay in store, he was pleasantly surprised to meet **Mike Cantlin** just trying to say hello.

**Paul Butler** was happy to have received 5 makeup cards from **Jeff Gabrielson**. Jeff sends his regards; right back at you, Jeff!

Bill Stanton was happy Captain Lloyd bailed him out on the Songleader detail.

**Rick Dobson** had his son Justin join us; Justin is getting ready to open three offices of Consumer Credit Counselling in New Hampshire.

New slate of Officers and Directors for next year have been voted on. Joanne Stuart has resigned as Director due to unforseen work contraints. B.J.Nicholson has agreed to fill the position. Thanks, BJ for accepting this responsibility and commitment to the Club

## Reminder that next week's meeting will begin at



5:30 at Carsons Family Restaraunt (on Rt 1 in Scarborough, not Bob Carson's), followed by a tour of Direct Mail of Maine. Should be a great meeting! The District World Peace and Understanding Dinner will be held February 28 at Keeley Banquet Center. See President Jim or Nancy Hawes for registration forms.

Eleanor Brainin introduced our speaker, James Baker. Jim is the Chief Financial Officer for Gannett Communications and the Chairman of the Board for Eastern Mercy Health Services. The Eastern Mercy Health Services is a group of hospitals, doctors, hospital employees affiliated with the Sisters of Mercy. This trip to Peru was a global outreach program to bring qualified health care practitioners (and on this trip, non-clinical personnel) to the depressed area. of Chulucanas. Chulucanas is 60 kilometers firom the coast (60 kilometers into a third world environment). The name of Jim's program was "El Doctor Goes To Peru".

Medical care in Peru is totally unlike what we are used to here in our country. The hospital that the group went to had 50 beds, 132 employees, performed 15 surgeries a month and serviced a population of 234,000. There was no kitchen; patients depended on their families to bring them meals. Medical treatment and procedures need to be schedulled years ahead, due to the lack of resources. This group was able to facilitate large numbers of consultations, eye exams and surgical procedures Jim told us of a young boy who had been kept back in school for 3 years. Upon an eye exam, it was found he needed glasses. It is appalling to think of the consequences to this boys life had this gone undetected. Housing in Chulucanas typically consists of a small brick structure that are usually open inside, often with no windows, no water or electricity. To envision what it is like inside one of these houses. Jim suggested we just close our eyes.

Jim had a very telling slide show to graphically show us what he saw in Chulucanas. The people are very meticulous and clean, despite tremendous poverty. Jim's program was very interesting, and showed us what life is like in another area. When you think that many of us lost power for a day and a half and we considered it a crisis, seeing how these people live makes you stop and think. Thank you Eleanor for bringing this interesting program to us.

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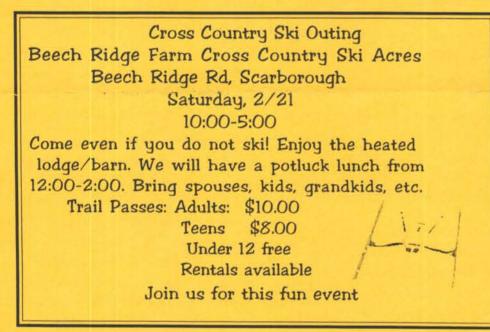
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#### February 4, 1998

**President Jim Russell** called our meeting to order at Carson's Family Restaraunt. The change of venue was a pleasant experience for all; we enjoyed a nice turkey dinner. **Bill Stanton** won the raffle gift (a gift certificate to Borders donated in absentia by **B.J. Nicholson**). Happy Dollars were proferred by:

Jack Roberts whose daughter took a hot air balloon ride and on the ride was offered a diamond ring...... Jim was happy that Nancy Hawes did such a great job conducting the meeting last week; Nancy had one to say she was glad to have Jim back at the helm.

Sam Rinaldi was happy that his 10 month old daughter is walking...we'll see how happy he is when she is into everything...

Bill Stanton was happy he won the raffle and happy that his wife" will know where is is"...Jack Roberts said that it was great "she is still interested".



## Direct Mail of Maine

Bob Danielson arranged for us to tour Direct Mail of Maine as part of Vocational Service. Don Day and Sam Rinaldi very ably lead us through the various facilities that make up Direct Mail of Maine. Don gave us an overview of the company; it is a privately owned company (owned by the Cloutier family); Don is the President; Sam Rinaldi is the Information Services Manager of the operation. The company has experienced overall a 20% increase in business every year for the last four years (most of this coming from businesses outside of Maine)

Direct Mail of Maine operates out of several buildings; administrative, a warehousing facility and shipping. Maine was one of the first states to have fiber optic capabilities, which allows the fast, easy data flow from one building to another (as if they were in one building)

the company has developed a strategic plan to develop the direction of the company (to be proactive rather than reactive). This meant adding additional support to the sales team in the form of Customer Service Representatives to help ensure quality service to their customers, greatly expanding and improving the computer network and changing the name and logo to better reflect all that the company offers (certainly more than just mail!) Some of what we saw (please bear with me...I am a techno-illiterate and much I heard was over my head!): Printers that produce statements from banks, credit card companies (or whatever is needed); data for information printed is computerized; statements can be selective where certain customers would receive an insert to their bill.

Machines that print, cut, stuff envelopes, bar code information on the envelope about the recipient.

Postal handling of mail for large companies; the machine scans the bar code and automatically sorts the letters by zip code; the Postal Service comes to the facility and weighs the mail to figure out postage. By doing this, companies pay 23.8 cents apiece instead of 32 cents; small companies benefit by being put in with larger companies to make up the large numbers needed to make this worthwhile.

Digital addressing of catalogs and magazines (including L.L. Bean, Cole-Haan, Downeast Magazine) (20,000 an hour)

Direct Mail of Maine has the capabilities of being able to combine different databases, put this information on barcodes to sort different items (Sam told us of producing name tags for trade shows that have huge amounts of information reflected on the tagnot evident to the wearer of the badge.)

I know that I am glossing over much of what we saw; (we saw so much!!!) It was a <u>fascinating</u> tour, and Don and Sam did a wonderful job as guides. One of the goals of the Vocational Services Avenue of Service is to expose and educate about industries and businesses other than our own; this program certainly achieved that, and in a most interesting fashion. Thank you to Don Day and Sam Rinaldi for making this possible; also thank you to **Bob Danielson** and **Kathy Ray** for making the arrangements for us.

#### **Bowl for Literacy**



benefit Literacy Campaign Volunteers. We will have teams of 4-\$25.00 per person/corporate sponsorships of \$200.00;

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Trail Passes: Adults: \$10.00 Teens \$8.00 Under 12 free Rentals available Join us for this fun event

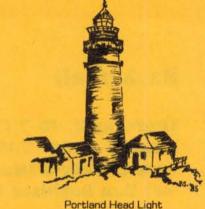
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All Happy Dollars in District will be going to a project in Romania (to purchase a stove for an orphanage). Most notable of our happy members were **Bill Kourakas** contributing from Florida and **Bob Flynn** proferring 25 Happy Dollars for 25 blissful years of marraige (Congratulations Bob and Michele).

Our Club donated \$2100.00 toward a joint project with the Rotary Foundation (our contribution was leveraged into a total of \$9200.00 by the Foundation). This project provided toilets for India.

### **Bowl for Literacy**



Our Bowlathon will be held Sunday, March 15proceeds will benefit Literacy Campaign Volunteers. We will have teams of 4- \$25.00 per person/corporate sponsorships of \$200.00;

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One of our members (and 2 recent past members) are suffering from cancer/ treatments; please let them know you are thinking of them: Dieter Schnauck (4 Longview St, Cumberland), Nick Pappas (54 Mountainview Rd., Cape Elizabeth) Carl Pearson (5 Russett Lane, Cape Elizabeth) Our own Jeff Hobbs was our Program Speaker doing a classification talk for us. Jeff is a funeral director and owner of Hobbs Funeral Home on Cottage Road in South Portland. Hobbs Funeral Home was founded by Jeff's parents in 1941; the first funeral handled by Hobbs's was on December 7, 1941 (Pearl Harbor Day).

There are extensive educatiuonal and licensing requirements for this field (very specialized skills, I would guess)

This is a vocation that is demanding; not only is it a complicated business, but it also provides an invaluable service to those in a very emotionally stressful time. Empathy and sensitivity are required; adherence to the various regulations are legally necessary, as well as the need to be on call 24 hours a day.

This was a very interesting talk; thank you Jeff for sharing insights into your business with



Serving up chicken dinners at the Soup Kitchen were Bill Stanton (as always!), President Jim Russell, Karen Dunfey, Shirley and Dan Mooers, Adrienne Murphy and Joe Conroy. Thanks for the help; this is a very worthy cause!

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<u>3/4</u> Meeting held at Cape Community Center; Pizza Party; \$10.00

<u>3/15</u> Bowlathon; Proceeds to benefit Literacy Volunteers; see B.J. Nicholson, Bill Daviero for details

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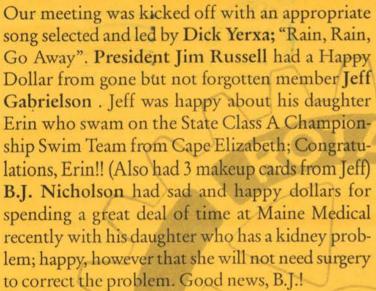
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The District collection for a stove for the orphanage in Romania was very successful; our Club contributed \$88.00 from just the one meeting.

## Youth Exchange

Karen Dunfey brought us information on a young lady from Russia who will be our exchange student next year. Her name is Valeria Tissen, she speaks English very well. Dan Mooers stayed with Valeria and her mother when he was travelling in Russia last fall and he declared her to be a delightful young lady who would make an excellent addition to any household. You do not have to have school age children to host Valeria; Karen expressed the preference to have our exchange student to be hosted by a family in either So.Portland or Cape Elizabeth (our present student is in Portland). If you want to get more information, see Karen.



Reminder that the meeting on March 4 will be a Pizza Party at the Cape Community Center; Price: \$10.00

#### The New Russia

Dan Davidson introduced our speaker, Maxim Dricke who is here in our country on a very unique exchange program set up by Congress through the Freedom Support Act and the U.S. Information Agency. Maxim spoke to us about the changes since the fall of communism in his native country. He points out that the perception of outsiders on the changes are much different from those who are directly affected by them. Maxim talked of "glasnost"; from "glas", meaning "voice"; giving voice to the people.

Changes really began about 10 years ago with Gorbachev; insiders believed all that really changed was only external politics, not much really changed for the people, power structures did not change. Communication did not improve; the people only heard what the government wanted them to hear. Maxim mentioned the radiation leak at Chernobyl; there was no warnings or disclosure to nearby resident about potential danger for days, and then a coverup about long-term ramifications of the accident.

Boris Yeltsin's term was when real changes began; fear and uncertanty was rampant. Many did not want change, either.

There were 2 television channels in the early 1990'sboth state controlled channels that were censored. Music was Western music and very limited (jazz and country were considered "evil from the West"). There are now many and varied opportunities for all entertainment. Travel has opened up; residents can now travel freely; tourists are now welcome, as are investors.

The economy suffered tremendously at this time; industry was intertwined and when one failed, many other were negatively impacted. Many people lost there life savings; everything that they had worked for was gone, financially as well as all that they had believed in. Those affected (many older people) are obviously not happy with the changes, (as one could imagine).

The poor economy brought shortages, crime and delayed wages In September Maxim' mother had only been paid through April; we cannot even imagine things like this. Things are slowly getting back to normal, but many cannot ever get over what they lost.

Dan, thank you for bringing this impressive, articulate young man to share his insights with our group; it was a very thought provoking, interesting program.

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There will be a board meeting after next weeks meeting

Our meeting on March 18 will be a joint meeting with the Casco Bay Sunrise Club at the Embassy Suites in So.Portland. Cost; \$22.95, theme: "Remembering the '60's" That could be interesting...more details to follow.









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Dave Bagdasarian was very happy that his stint as songleader is past for another year; he led us in "Take Me Out to the Ballgame". Adrienne Murphy won the raffle prize (gift certificate for Joe's Boathouse donated by Kathy Ray).

Update: Carl Pearson is doing well (litle less hair for the time being), Dieter Schnauck is back to work on a part-time basis and Nick Pappas' address was mistakenly put in the bulletin as Mountainview Rd rather than Ocean View Rd. in Cape Elizabeth. All expressed gratitude for the positive thoughts from Club members.

<u>Potential Change in Bylaws:</u> There will be a vote of the Club at the March 11 meeting regarding the makeup of the nominating committee. Our by-laws presently state that the nominating committee shall be made up of all past presidents. The proposed change calls for the committee to be made up of the current Club President and the four most recent presidents who are active in the Club. The committee would be chaired by the immediate past president. A two thirds vote by the entire Club is needed to pass this amendment.



## **Bowl-A-Thon**



Saturday, March 14 3:00-5:00 p.m. Yankee Lanes in Portland

4 person teams @\$25/each (each team is also asked to solicit a corporate sponsor; there is no minimum to sponsor a team) If each team could strive to reach \$200-\$250.-00 this would be a success;

Prizes include: Top Team, Most Pins Down, High Single, High Series, etc. Certificates of Appreciation will be given to Corporate Sponsors.

The goal is to have fun and raise some \$\$\$\$, so let's go for it!! See Bill Daviero or BJ Nicholson for details

Nancy Hawes introduced some of our outgoing GSE team that will be representing our District in Finland. Team Leader Linda Wasgatt from the Windham Club introduced the team who include: Helen Muther who is an attorney who specializes in Land Use Laws and Environmental issues, Alan Lishness who is the CEO of the Gulf of Maine Aquarium and Ellen Muzinski who is the Director of Social Work at Maine Medical Center. All three of these team members were sponsored by our Club, and all are very excited about the upcoming trip. We will look forward to hearing of their adventures when they return from Finland

Polio Plus was given a boost by The Rotary Foundation who approved more than \$8.2 million dollars (US) for grants to the World Health Organization, earmarked for polio vaccine, surveillance and operational costs.

The latest Foundation grants bring the total Rotary commitment to polio eradication to date to \$304 million (US dollars)

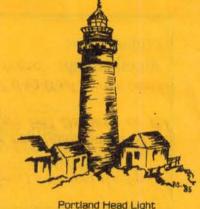
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Songleader	Boulanger	Brainin	Bay
Invocation	Ray	Rinaldi	Sunrise
<b>Raffle Gift</b>	Rinaldi	Roberts	Club
Conductor	Stuart	Yerxa	Meeting

Our meeting on March 18 will be a joint meeting with the Casco Bay Sunrise Club at the Embassy Suites in So.Portland. Cost; \$22.95, Theme: "Remembering the '60's" That could be interesting...more details to follow.







Cape Elizabeth

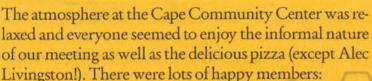
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March 4, 1998



Happy Dollars



Bill Kourakas (Rotarian-in-absentia) who was very happy after making his first "eagle" golfing (A 140 yard one, at that). Paul Butler matched that dollar...some thought that an eagle was worthy of more than one dollar......

President Jim Russell was happy that the "World Peace and Understanding Dinner" was such a success. He also was happy that our club had the highest per capita of other clubs in attendance; Vicke Russell, Mike McGovern, Janet McLaughlin, Dan and Shirley Mooers, Karen Dunfey, Warren Simpson (after working 4 ten hour days!) and Nancy Hawes were there. Karen was recognized for her trip to Romania and Dan Mooers was recognized as a major donor to the Rotary Foundation (donations exceeding \$10,000.00)

Mike McGovern was happy that a Club member is carrying on the long tradition of Rotarians being in charge of Cape Family Fun Day; apparantly Frank Butterworth was elected Chairman when he was late for the meeting.. Frank had a sad dollar that he was tardy.

Bill Daviero was happy to win the raffle of a gift certificate to Borders (donated by Kathy Ray)

Special "Thank You" to Kathy Ray for organizing the Pizza Party. These off-site meetings are a welcome break from our routine, but someone has to do the work in putting them together (and it is usually Kathy!). Thanks, Kathy for all you do.

Soup Kitchen next Tuesday, 3/10; signups were scanty; please call Joe Conroy if you can pitch in (799-5990). Dessert; cupcakes

Reminder: Our meeting March 18 will be at the Embassy Suites (joint meeting with Casco Bay Sunrise Club and the Yarmouth Club); Theme: "Back to the Sixties"; let's have some fun with this! Cost: \$25.00 incl. tax & tip We had a mini Club assembly Wednesday with updates from our Board

<u>Secretary Paul Butler</u>; Please get clarification on approved new members; there are a number who have been approved that have are still up in the air. Treasurer: Frank Gemme not in attendance

President Elect; Nancy Hawes via Jim Russell; keep up drive for new members; strong membership means a strong Club. Another "Open House" for prospective members is schedulled with Bob Danielson for May Vice President Don Day; Fundraising; upcoming Bowl-a-Thon, Family Fun Day and Casco Bay Bridge Road Race (Dave Bagdasarian chairing this)

Vocational Services; Bob Danielson; upcoming Open House, classification talk by Cynthia Mowles, "Service Above Self" Awards, very successful night at Direct Mail of Maine

<u>International Service: Karen Dunfey</u> Matching grant from Salt Lake City to assist us in the Project in India for installing toilets. Incoming exchange strudent from Siberia, Valeria Tissen; any ideas for host family?

<u>Community Service; Bob Packer;</u> Tentative donation from the Club to the C.E. WET Team of a Seadoo, painting garage doors at Fort Williams, RYLA Program for high school juniors, DARE presentations upcoming

<u>Club Service; Kathy Ray;</u> dinner at McKernan Center for 6/24, LobsterBake schedulled for August 5, Rotary signs for Casco Bay Bridge are coming It's been a busy year so far, under President Jim

Russell's leadership; June 30 will be here before you know it!

## **Bowl-A-Thon**



Saturday, March 14 3:00-5:00 p.m. Yankee Lanes in Portland

4 person teams @\$25/each (each team is also asked to solicit a corporate sponsor; there is no minimum to sponsor a team) If each team could strive to reach \$200-\$250.-00 this would be a success;

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Bill and Bj need a head count of those bowling by next meeting (March 10) to reserve space <u>Proposed for</u> <u>Membership:</u> Stuart Cover 60 Oak Hm Terrace Scarborough (lives in Portland) Classification: Chiropractor Proposed by: Keith McAlary If you have any feedback, please speak to a Board Member

Potential Change in Bylaws: There will be a vote of the Club at the March 11 meeting regarding the makeup of the nominating committee. Our by-laws presently state that the nominating committee shall be made up of all past presi dents The proposed change calls for the committee to be made up of the current Club President and the four most recent presidents who are active in the Club. The committee would be chaired by the immediate past president. A two thirds vote by those present at the meeting is needed to pass this amendment.

## Basketball

Thursday 3/12 7:15-9:15 Monday 3/23 7:15-9:15 Cape Elizabeth Middle School; see Dan Davidson for details

	Upcoming D	uties	
	3/11/98	3/18/98	3/25/98
Songleader	Brainin	Embassy	Butler
Invocation	Rinaldi	Suites	Roberts
<b>Raffle Gift</b>	Roberts	Joint	Russell
Conductor	Yerxa	Meeting	Bagdasarian

The Club has had some problem lately with members not taking responsibility for their duty of providing a program, or cancelling at the very last minute. Eleanor Brainin is the coordinator of the Programs; she is not responsible for the program. Please make a note of when you are responsible for providing a speaker and work with Eleanor on it. . The following is a list of members names and dates for the Program. Thank you for your cooperation.

- 4/1 Bob Flynn
- 4/8 Dan Gacetta
- 4/15 Frank Gemme
- 4/22 Lloyd Knight
- 4/29 Bob Lavasseur
- 5/6 Alec Livingston5/13 David Lourie5/20 Keith McAlary
- 5/27 Mike McGovern

Our program on 3/11 will be Mark Dionne who is the Deputy Chief of Police in Portland; he will be speaking on the Bias Crime Task Force





# TWO LIGHTS

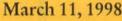
South Portland – Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club On the Maine coast

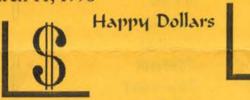


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Lots of happy people on Wednesday; Joanne Stuart for winning a fireproof box (donated by Jack Roberts). Eleanor Brainin was happy that Bill Daviero agreed to stand-in as Songleader for her (of course, his choice of song and personal dedication to Eleanor of "Babyface" had her questioning the happy dollar!)

Bob Flynn was happy to have Dan Davidson and Alec Livingston's help in interviewing RYLA candidates from CE and SP High School; our Club will be sending six candidates this year since we had such a great bunch of applicants.

Rick Dobson was happy to announce the birth of his second grandson, Congrats, Grampy!

Sam Rinaldi's daughter just celebrated her first birthday. He was also very happy that he had such a lovely lunch with Bill Stanton and Warren Simpson They were happy to have their own personal tour of Direct Mail of Maine.

Keith McAlary was happy to be leaving for a ski vacation in Quebec, as well as for a promotion at People's (even though he does not know what he will be doing!). With his promotion, Keith could afford to reimburse Dan Davidson for three weeks of basketball that Dan fronted for him.

Kathy Ray was happy to relate a monetary story including our esteemed Club Secretary, Paul Butler. It was a lengthy story, too lengthy to relay (you missed a good story if you missed this one) Paul, we need to find you a hobby......

Dave Lourie let us know that the participants in the previous blurb both committed a Federal offense.....oh, no, Mark Dion from the Portland Police Dept was there to hear all this.....hope there will be no repercussions......



Soup Kitchen



Many thanks to Soup Kitchen volunteers: Paul and Jan Butler, Bob Packer, Bill Stanton (of course!) Shirley and Dan Mooers and last but not least, Ibby Conroy and her husband. This is a very satisfying activity, if you have not participated, please give it a try. It really makes one realize how fortunate we are (and what we take for granted)

#### **Planting Our Futures**

Our speaker was Mark Dion, Deputy Chief of Police on the Portland Police Department. Mark has been on the force for 20 years, and resides in Portland with his wife and two daughters. He involved heavily with family and youth problems. He described how he has a built in editorial staff at home when he is going to give a presentation. I hope his daughters gave him high marks for this one; I believe our Club did.

Mark related how he has always been involved with his father and the gardening that his father so enjoys. Preparing the soil, weeding, fertilizing (the "dirty" job) was always Mark's job .... his father emphasized that the tedious preparation was the most important part of the gardening process. When Mark bought his first house and went to his dad for planmts, his dad asked him what kind of a commitment did he want to make? Two or three years, or shortcut and tear out and replace the flowers every year? Children are like plants; they need the proper groundwork to flower. What soil are they from? If they draw sustenance from a weak family, they wither and die. If the family drowns them with excess, they also die. Getting the right soil is difficult; yet the best gardens (of people and flowers) are mixtures of all different types & colors. The kids with strong support and connections do fine. Mark works with the troubled kids, the ones with the worst soil. These kids are at least identified as needing help. It is the "middle" kids that are the biggest risk; they are experimenting with all sorts of things; sex, drinking, drugs, and they can go either way if they do not feel "connected"

Mark told us of Deputy D.A. Christine Thibeault who was hired to target the cases of these troubled youth; her grant is up in October. She has battled for 2 years to do the groundwork in the garden of the criminal justice system. It is not an easy fix If her work is not allowed to continue, it will be just like ripping out the old flowers and starting again. But what of the discarded seedlings.....

Mark Dion's talk was eloquent, thought provoking and to a degree disturbing. It seems a shame to have the soil tilled and end up starting all over.

We might look at our own homes and look at the condition of the soil.....Thank you Eleanor for bringing such an excellent program to us, and thank you Mark Dion for enlightening us.

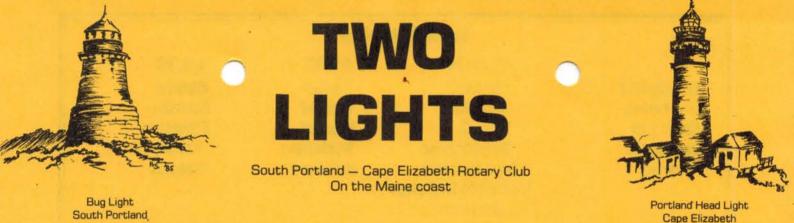
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	Upcor	ning Duties	
	<u>3/18/98</u>	<u>3/25/98</u>	4/1/98
Songleader	Embassy	Butler	Cantlin
Invocation	Suites	Roberts	Russell
Raffle Gift	Joint	Russell	Schmidt
Conductor	Meeting	Bagdasarian Sava Matauda	Boulanger Bob Flynn
Program	XXXXXXX	Sayo Matsuda (Japanese Exchange Student)	Bob Flynn







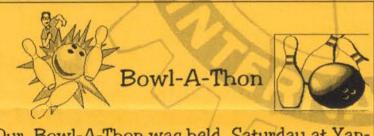
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### March 18, 1998

Our meeting was held at the Embassy Suites in So. Portland as a joint meeting hosted by the Casco Bay Sunrise Club and also attended by the Yarmouth Club. The theme of the evening was "Back to the 60's". In true 60's fashion, our own President Jim Russell was properly adorned in a wild tie-dye shirt (guess is that you have not owned that shirt all this time, Jim). Eleanor Brainin was the most authentic in a pair of bell bottom jeans that she actually did wear back in the 60's. Buffet dinner was enjoyed with strains of the Beatles in the background.

It is nice to have different meeting locations to break up the routine; many thanks to the Casco Bay Sunrise Club for including us in this fun night.

There will be a District Assembly on Saturday, April 25 at the University of New England in Biddeford. This is a great opportunity for newer Rotarians to get a good view of what Rotary is about out of the narrow scope of our Club. More details to follow.



Our Bowl-A-Thon was held Saturday at Yankee Lanes in Portland and good time was had by 50 bowlers representing a variety of teams (including two teams from the Yarmouth Club) . We will anxiously await hearing the final tally (and who the awards went to) from Bill Daviero and BJ Nicholson. Rumor has it that the event made in the vicinity of \$2500.00. Those that participated had a great time, as well. Great job, Bill and BJ!

#### Hoops

Our basketball schedule is winding down; if you wish to join us, the last two dates are: Monday, 3/23 7:15-9:15 (Which you have already probably missed!) and Thursday, 4/2 , 7:15 -9:15 at **Cape Middle School.** 

The District Conference is being hosted by the Kittery Rotary Club. It is planned for Thursday, May 28- Sunday May 31. The Conference is going to be held at The Summit Hotel at Sunday River in Bethel. It is not too carly to start planning! There will be lots of activities including golf and tennis. Mark your calendars now!

On the same note: the District Conference for the year 2000 is currently being planned..... (talk about not being too early to plan!!!) Or District Governor for that year, Mike McGovern wants it to be an innovative success. Don Day is looking for "talent" from our Club to assist in making the Conference a winner; please fill out the enclosed flyers with your area of expertise and return to Don Day as soon as possible.



Belated Birthday Greetings

Happy Belated Birthdays go to Mike McGovern and Nancy Hawes (St. Patrick's Day Babies)-March 17 and Don Day, March 18









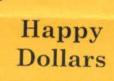
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March 25, 1998







Vice President Don Day ably filled in for absent President Jim Russell who was vacationing in Michigan. Songleader Paul Butler lead the group in a shaky version of "Rotary" (I thought we were singing the Maine Stein Song!)

Bill Daviero won the raffle gift (second time in one month!!) The raffle gift was a gift certificate to Bookland (donated by Jim Russell). If you remember, the last gift Bill won was a certificate to Borders and there was a comment about his literacy skills... Bill announced that he was going to go to Bookland and get some pop-up books.

Sam Rinaldi showed off his newest toy from Delorme; a Palm Pilot that determines latitude and longitude (and anything else you might want to know about where you are). Handy if you get lost much or you want to navigate a spaceship.

Phil Dube was very happy that son Matt (long-time friend of Rotary) earned an Outstanding Achievement Award from the University of Maine at Orono, as well as a scholarship of \$1000.00. Congratulations, Matt!

Mike McGovern spent a nice time at a meeting in London where he had occasion to share a taxi with three other town managers (they were from Perth, Johannesburg and California); during the conversation came to the realization that all were members of Rotary. Small world.

Karen Dunfey was happy to tell us of the dinner she participated in with all of the Exchange Students. Each student prepared foods from their homeland. Very interesting experience.

## Bowl-A-Thon



Tally is in; so far this year's Bowlathon has raised almost \$3200.00 (best effort yet). Over 50 bowlers participated and a good time was had by all. Additional corporate sponsors helped increase our final numbers. Kudos to Bill Daviero and BJ Nicholsen for their great efforts on making this event a success. Proceeds are to benefit the Literacy Volunteers.

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Thursday, 4/2, 7:15 -9:15

at Cape Middle School.



Karen Dunfey had the pleasure of introducing Sayo Matsuda as our guest speaker. Sayo is our Club's exchange student from Japan. Sayo lives in Portland and attends Portland High School. She is from Wakayama, Japan (located in the southeastern part of the country). Sayo had slides showing a very beautiful area, dominated by a lovely 400 year old castle. Wakayama is a cosmopolitan area with some rural space, too. There is no snow there, so this was a pleasant contrast for Sayo (who also had the unique experience of selling Christmas trees from our own lot!)

There are 900 students at Sayo's high school; which is a very large, modern building. Regarding the differences in the education environment in Japan vs. here, Sayo said that the classes here are easier than Japan, but in Japan the students have very little (if any) homework or outside assignments. You must do extremely well scholastically in Japan because it is very competitive and getting in the Universities is not easy. Sayo believes that people here are more friendly and outgoing than the Japanese. She is enjoying her stay very much and has really improved her command of the English language during her time here

Thank you, Sayo, for sharing your interesting experiences with us, and Karen for your coordination of the program (and all you have done on behalf of our Club with the Youth Exchange)..

Karen Dunfey is in charge of "ESSEX"; the inbound exchange students of the eastern states. There are 11 of them currently; District Governor Marie Williams praised Karen's continued dedication and support of this program, thus making it the success it currently is. This has involved trips to Toronto and Pennsylvania, too.. Great job, Karen!

ALERT: There have been several instances in nearby districts where a young man claimed to be a son of a Rotarian who was in a jam and needed to borrow money. He was given a plane ticket and cash; upon investigation, it was found to be a hoax.

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