TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth December 12, 2012

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

December 19 – Bonnie Mattozzi, "The Art Doctor." Bring any damaged artwork you have. Also (completely unrelated) please bring a can of soup for the food pantry.

January 2 – NO MEETING

January 9 – We will NOT be meeting at Purpoodock – meeting place to be determined – stay tuned.

ASSIGNMENTS

	Dec. 19	January 9	January 16
Song	Russell	Santos	E. Segee
Invocation	Cotter	Danielson	Danois
Raffle Gift	E. Segee	K. Segee	Seymour
Conductor	Seymour	Smith	Speh

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

January 8 - Soup Kitchen

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to: Dave Bagdasarian (Dec. 19) Rick Dobson (Dec. 23) Kathy Cotter (Dec. 28) Anne Swift-Kayatta (Dec. 31)

Happy Anniversary to Dan & Shirley Mooers on New Year's Eve!

December Soup Kitchen – Joe Conroy reports that Bill York, Alec and Sharon Livingston, Dave Bagdasarian with three of his office workers, John Thibodeau, Cyndie Santos, Phil and Matt Dube, and Paul Butler were at last night's Soup Kitchen. In addition, from the interact clubs, Chris Newell with Tom Rioux, Sydney D, Emma R, and Janey B. and from the South Portland club, Christiana, Sarah, and Laura.

<u>Fund Requests</u> – Bob Danielson has agreed to serve again as our fund request chair. Any funding requests should go through Bob – he will research the request and bring it to the Board with a recommendation. This process saves the Board a lot of time and allows it to be both efficient and effective in granting funding requests.

Hurricane Sandy – Many members have asked if we are going to be doing something to help the victims of Hurricane Sandy. No decisions have been made yet, although the feeling is that we will work with a district in the affected area and perhaps adopt a club. If any member has any ideas on the subject, please let someone on the Board know your feelings, as we will be discussing this at a future Board meeting.

<u>Raffle</u> – A Tim Hortons gift card and scratch lottery tickets, donated by Cyndie Santos, was won by Ron Hoppel. Ron, in turn, donated it to Sybil at the Food Cupboard.

<u>Our School Systems</u> – Tonight's program featured both the South Portland and Cape Elizabeth superintendents of schools, Sue Godin from South Portland and Meredith Nadeau from Cape Elizabeth. Both are members of the Casco Bay Education Alliance and face many of the same issues. Their talk discussed aligning the curriculum to the state standards, the effects of charter schools and school choice on the budgets, and the impending state budget shortfall and what that means for the ongoing budgets.

Currently, it costs between \$11,000-\$12,000 per pupil per year to educate a student in South Portland and Cape Elizabeth.

Thanks to Jim Russell for taking notes at the December 12 meeting!

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