# **TWO LIGHTS**

# Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth February 13, 2013

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

February 20 – Ann Lee Hussey, Polio Update

February 27 – Kathie Leonard, President, Auburn Manufacturing

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

	February 20	February 27	March 6
Song	Tranfaglia	Usinger	Swift-Kayatta
Invocation	Flynn	Frustaci	Gonzalez
Raffle Gift	Swift-Kayatta	Thibodeau	Tranfaglia
Conductor	Usinger	Wagner	Waindle

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**February 23** – World Peace & Understanding Day – celebrate at District Frugal Feast, Woodfords Church, Portland *NOTE – This event is in conjunction with a food drive at Shaw's – please bring canned goods to the February 20 meeting to be delivered to the food drive.* 

February 28 – Poker Night, 11 Todd Road, Cape Elizabeth – sign up online

March 2 – Rotary Leadership Institute, York County Community College, Wells

# What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to David Lourie (Feb. 21) and Jason Seymour (Feb. 24)

Back from the disabled list Wednesday were Dan Mooers and Sybil - great to have you back!

Congratulations to Bill Kayatta on the Congressional approval (finally) of his appointment as a federal judge.

Congratulations to John LoBosco, who will serve our district as an Assistant District Governor (ADG) next year.

<u>So What is an ADG?</u> – The job of the District Governor (DG) is to visit all of the clubs in the District at least once, plan various district events, and oversee all of the activities of district committees. When your editor was club president (1998-99), it also involved being a mentor to each of the clubs in the district and keeping tabs on what was going on in each club. This was too much to put on one person's plate so a few years later the district started appointing ADG's to help the DG with the relationships with the individual clubs. The district is divided into 9 regions – ours is Portland City and includes Portland, Portland Sunrise and Breakwater Daybreak. Marge Barker is currently the ADG for the Portland Suburbs region which includes Westbrook-Gorham, Sebago Lake Windham Area, Falmouth & Scarborough. Adrienne Murphy and Frank Butterworth have also served the district as ADG's (and if I'm forgetting someone else, let me know!)

<u>Our Club Making a Difference</u> – President Bob passed around thank you letters that the club received from each of the students at SMCC who had received a scholarship from our club. I hope you had a chance to read them because they really demonstrate how our club can make a difference in people's lives. One of the recipients for example is a full-time student who works full-time and is a single mother of two young children – our scholarship makes it possible for her to go to school.

#### Housekeeping Items from our Secretary:

- Make-ups during the months of March & April, please send all your make-ups to Phil Dube at <u>pdube@dubetravel.com</u>.
- Badge thief Paul also reports that several badges are missing; we think that they probably haven't been stolen for sale on the black market, but that many of us have absent-mindedly gone home without turning them in. Please make an effort to wear your badge each week it's a big help to our many new members.

<u>Good Ticket</u> –Ellie Speh had the winning raffle ticket, which earned her a gift certificate to the Good Table courtesy of Paul Butler.

**EZ Listening** – Our speaker Peter Mills, Executive Director of the Maine Turnpike Authority is a friend of many in the club and has spoken to our club in his past life as a member of the Maine legislature. Peter answered the 4 questions he hears most commonly:

- 1. What happens if you run through the red light at a toll booth? (They take photographs of your plates and will send you a letter the 4<sup>th</sup> incident will be considered a violation.)
- 2. Why is there still a toll? (Without a toll to pay for maintenance and widening, the gas tax would have gone from 30 cents to 45 cents.)
- 3. How come the cash tolls are not proportionate to the distance? (This has to do with the original plan to put a barrier in Scarborough which never happened for political reasons. The answer is to use the EZ Pass which is charged by the mile, but never more than the cash rate. The EZ Pass also has volume discounts of 25 50%.)
- 4. Why isn't there a toll on 295? (This has to do with the federal funding of the construction of 295.)

<u>Editor's Note</u> – Jim Russell's emails don't seem to be reaching me so that's why you haven't seen a write-up of the February meeting yet; he has written up an account of the meeting though and I will include it in the bulletin as soon as our technical problems are resolved.

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