# TWO LIGHTS

# Rotary Club of South Portland - Cape Elizabeth May 29, 2013

### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

June 5 – Frank Chessa, Advances in Advance Care Planning

**June 12** – Club Assembly

June 19 – Changeover Night!

**June 26** – Note that we will NOT be meeting at Purpoodock – stay tuned!

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

	June 5	June 12	<u>June 19</u>
Song	Cotter	Danielson	Frustaci
Invocation	B. Murphy	Mutty	Phillips
Raffle Gift	Conroy	Cotter	Danielson
Conductor	Hawes	Davidson	Daviero

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

June 4 – Senior Citizens Luncheon at McKernan Center, SMCC, 11-1

**June 15** – Family Fun Day! Please sign up if you are able to help out.

**June 29** – Ft. Williams Arboretum Garden Tour, 10:00 – 3:00, 402 Pulpit Rock Rd, Cape Elizabeth (see Ellie Speh for details)

July 28 – Rotary Spring Point 5k Classic.

# What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to Bill Anderson (June 10) and to our President, Bob Flynn (June 11)!

Somehow I forgot to include anniversary congratulations to David & Joyce Lourie in last week's bulletin - their anniversary is Monday, June 3rd - congratulations!

Congratulations to Tom Meyers on his upcoming retirement - which will allow him to spend time with their daughter Sarah and grandson Kevin who are visiting for the summer.

# **Opportunity Available!**

Anyone interested in finding out more about the Secretary's position on the Board, please let Paul or any Board member know. We have been working on a new job description for the position and would be happy to talk to any interested members about it.

<u>Raffle</u> - Well this is easy to write – I can just cut and paste from last week – the winner AGAIN was Cyndie Santos. She won a gift certificate to Siano's donated by Bob Carson.

**Foundation Minute** – Frank Butterworth reported that as of last count our club's donations to Polio Plus totaled \$3,636.50 – so far #1 in the district. And our year-to-date donations to the Foundation's Annual Giving stand at \$12,536, which puts us at #2 in the district – but the Rotary year isn't over – there's still time to become number one!

You've Heard of Silicon Valley but Have You Heard of the Pine Cone Valley? —We were visited by the Portland Rotary Club again — this time not a takeover attempt, but a very informative visit from their member Bob Martin, who is President of the Maine Technology Initiative (MTI). Bob likes to think that "MTI" stands for "Money To Invest." MTI is a privately run 501(c)(3) organization which has invested \$142 million in Maine businesses since its inception in 2000. Bob described the type of business MTI invests in — Maine businesses in seven business sectors that have a clear business plan leading to commercialization of their product. He described some of the cutting edge businesses that MTI has invested in which are located in the "Pine Cone Valley" — an area from Portland (Gulf of Maine Research Institute) to East Boothbay (Bigelow Labs) to Bar Harbor (Jackson Lab & MDI Biological Labs) to Franklin (Center for Cooperative Aquaculture Research) to Orono (Advanced Structures & Composites Center). It was exciting to hear about the research that these and other Maine companies are involved in — did you know for instance that the heat shield on the Mars Rover was made in Biddeford? Or that the felt on nearly all the tennis balls in the world was made in North Monmouth?

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