TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth April 2, 2014

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

April 9 – Chris Franklin, Cape Elizabeth Land Trust

April 16 – Arboretum Staff, Children's Garden update

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>April 9</u>	<u>April 16</u>	<u>April 23</u>
Song	Swift-Kayatta	Talty	Tipton
Invocation	Danielson	Danois	Davidson
Raffle Gift	Rogers	Russell	Santos
Conductor	Schmidt	Seymour	R. Smith

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Remember – NO Soup Kitchen this month

April 12 – District Training Assembly at Westbrook Middle School – all incoming directors and officers – and anyone interested in learning more about Rotary – should consider attending. See Kathy Cotter or the District 7780 website for more information.

April 30 – Public Works Luncheon. Save the date – more info to come.

May 16 – 18 – District Conference at the Westin Harborview Hotel (fka Eastland) – see District 7780 website for more information.

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to Doug Schauf (April 13)

Happy Anniversary, Bill & Diane Anderson (April 11)

Thank you to Jim Russell for taking notes on March 26

<u>Welcome to our Club:</u> Tonight we inducted our newest member, Rich Daniels. Rich lives in Cape Elizabeth and is a project manager for a small medical device manufacturer in Windham. Welcome aboard, Rich!

<u>Raffle</u> –

Last week: Scott Irving won a gift certificate to Dock's Seafood donated by Jack Roberts. This week: Frank Butterworth won a Shoppers Hardware gift certificate donated by Chuck Redman.

<u>Significant Achievement Award</u> - District governor Carolyn Johnson has nominated our club for a SA award resulting from our club's Winterfest project. The purpose of this award is to recognize a club who addresses a significant community need. Only one club may be nominated by each district governor.

Foundation Updates:

- Frank Butterworth reported that we have raised \$10,433 for the Foundation so far this fiscal year getting very close to our goal of \$11,000. If you can't remember if you've given so far this year, you can CHECK with Frank or the list in the blue bag, OR you can just write a CHECK!
- EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year) Poor Frankie reports that he doesn't think we can make our goal – won't you help him out!
- The Evil Empire vs. Sox Nation several members took Bill York up on his challenge to donate \$5 for every win/loss game difference between the Red Sox and the Yankees at the end of the season.

Last Week – Maine Island Trails Association – Our speaker March 26 was Doug Welch, executive director of the Maine Island Trails Association or MITA. Doug relayed that the coast of Maine, if you were to stretch it out would be about 3,000 miles in length with over 200 islands. In 1988, a group of volunteers started Island Trail with 30 islands all state owned. Today, over 207 islands are in the Trails Association, most of them privately owned. As of the end of 2013, MITA had 3,840 members and many volunteers, which provide over 4000 man hours of labor maintaining the islands. To become a member of MITA costs \$45 per individual or \$65 per family. Although to celebrate their 25th anniversary they are now offering a \$25 special new member rate.

(p.s. from Doug - the MITA website address is <u>www.MITA.org</u> but the website does not have information about the \$25 new member discount mentioned above – to get that discount call 761-8225 and mention SPCE Rotary.)

<u>This Week - Maine College of Art</u> – Our speaker April 2 was Don Tuski, Portland Rotarian and President of the Maine College of Art. Don gave us some history about the college (formerly known as the Portland Society of Art and then the Portland School of Art) and then told us about the school today. The college offers 3 degree programs (BFA, MFA, MAT) and has 11 major subjects. They have over 400 students who are learning to create new, original and authentic art. Of the graduating students, 71% are working professionally in their field – vs. a national average of 59%. MECA views itself not just on the cutting edge but as creating the cutting edge.

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