

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
December 11, 2013

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

December 18 – Let's Party!! Also we are still collecting tuna and peanut butter for Judy's Pantry

No meeting again until January – 8th?

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>Dec. 18</u>	<u>January 8???</u>	<u>The Next Meeting After That</u>
Song	McGovern	Ray	Redman
Invocation	Hawes	Bagdasarian	Barker
Raffle Gift	Meyers	Miller	A Murphy
Conductor	B. Murphy	Phillips	Ray

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Stay Tuned to Kathy Cotter's emails regarding tree lot activity

January 14 – Soup Kitchen

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to:

Dave Bagdasarian (12/19)

Rick Dobson (12/23)

Jim Britt (12/28)

Kathy Cotter (12/28)

Anne Swift-Kayatta (12/31)

Randy Smith (1/2)

Happy Anniversary to:

Dan & Shirley Mooers (12/31)

Alec & Sharon Livingston (1/7)

Soup Kitchen – Thanks to the following who helped out:

Chuck Redman
David Lourie
Bill Daviero
Dave Bagdasarian & a host of helpers
Paul Butler
Phil Dube
Jon Talty
Bill Phillips
Dick Yerxa
6 Portland Rotarians, and of course
Joe Conroy

Teddy Bears on their Way to Lac Megantic – this may be old news to you because there was excellent coverage in newspapers, on radio and on TV. Several Rotarians from our District took over \$20,000 in cash and toys to Lac Megantic – part of it donated by our club. Toys will be distributed to children affected by the tragedy and the money will be donated to the local food pantry.

Keep The Rotary Foundation in Mind as you consider your year-end giving; Frank Butterworth reports that our club has achieved 24% of our Foundation giving goal. As we know, one of the programs our Foundation dollars support is PolioPlus. When Rotary first developed the PolioPlus program in 1988, polio was endemic in 125 countries; it's now endemic in only three. The success of this effort has preserved the lives and protected the health of more than 2 billion children. It has also shown the world what is possible – what our global legion of Rotarians can do when we set our minds to it.

Raffle – this was a 2-fer; Anamaria won oranges donated by Charlie Miller, and Dick Yerxa won Kahlua donated by David Lourie.

A Fish Story – Our guest speaker was Bert Jongerden, general manager of the Portland Fish Exchange. Bert reported that the Gulf of Maine is one of the most diverse ground fisheries in the world. He gave us some history of the Fish Exchange since its inception in 1987. Originally there was a live auctioneer selling fish but now the auction is conducted on the internet. All fishermen have to have a line of credit and they are not allowed to bid above that amount. The sellers are paid for their catch within a day. The fishing business has contracted dramatically in the past 20 years and so part of the building is leased out now. Bert also spoke about the shrimp population – several factors have contributed to their current situation: overfishing, strong presence of predators and the ocean temperature.

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