

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
August 19, 2015

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

August 26 – Club Assembly???

September 2 – Tracy Leigh, CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates)

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>August 26</u>	<u>September 2</u>	<u>September 9</u>
Invocation	N Irving	S Irving	Livingston
Raffle Gift	York	Altenburg	Anderson
Conductor	D Bagdasarian	F Bagdasarian	Barker

The raffle gift certificate to Broadway Gardens donated by Elyse Tipton was won by Tom Meyers.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

August 29 – Bug Light Festival; we will be opening the lighthouse.

September 12 – Bug Light will be open for Maine Open Lighthouse Day

September 12 – 100th Anniversary of Portland Rotary, our parent club. Go to portlandrotary.org to sign up.

September 19 – District 7780 Foundation Forum at USM

September 21 – Westbrook-Gorham club 21st Rotary Classic Golf Tournament, Gorham CC

What's New With Our Members

Happy Anniversary to:

Kathy & Peter Cotter (August 29)

John & Sue LoBosco (August 31)

Rotary Spring Point 5K Classic – The results have been tallied and the good news is that the race netted a little under \$2,500. The bad news is that this is about \$2,000 less than the prior year. The main difference is that we had fewer runners this year because:

1. The date this year was after the Beach to Beacon rather than before (due to scheduling conflicts with Tri for a Cure);
2. There were fewer runners in most races this year due to the proliferation in the number of races; and
3. The dedicated cause (Veterans) didn't seem to be a cause that boosted race participation.

The race committee met this week and discussed potential ways to improve participation, and they will be following up on them. If you have any ideas, they would welcome hearing them.

The feedback from runners was that ours is an extremely well-organized race, thanks to the efforts of the race committee and the race day volunteers. A big thank you to Catherine Callahan for designing the registration cards, and to our extremely dedicated Race Committee members:

- * Bob Danielson
- * Dave Bagdasarian
- * Bob Flynn
- * Tom Meyers
- * Bill Phillips
- * Jim Russell
- * Jason Seymour (former member)

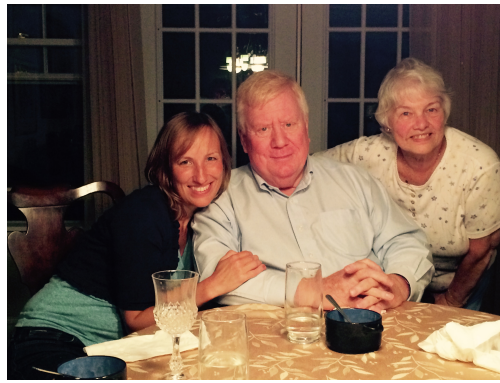
(These are in alphabetic order; even though I have attended two race committee meetings, they work so collaboratively that I'm still not sure who the chair is.)

More Fundraiser Results – I don't think we ever published the financial results from Theater Night – that event (which was part of last Rotary year, 2014-2015) netted \$4,089 – congratulations to all who helped make that event a success!

Read and Recycle – We like to give speakers a copy of a recent Rotarian magazine so that they can learn a little more about our organization. If you have a clean copy of the magazine, please bring it in to a meeting after reading it (you can turn it in at the sign-in table). Alternatively, consider supplying your dentist's, doctor's, etc. office with your copy.

AARP – Our speaker this week was Japhet Els, Outreach Director for AARP Maine. Jay made a point that AARP is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization. While they take a stand on certain issues and try to keep their members informed about those issues, they do not donate to political campaigns or endorse any candidates. Jay summarized some of the programs that AARP offers such as Driver Safety, TaxAide (preparation of tax returns), and the Work & Save Program (encourages people to save through workplace withholding). AARP Maine has an office at 53 Baxter Boulevard in Portland and will be having an open house – complete with food, beer and live jazz – from 2:00 – 7:00 on Thursday, September 3.

A Face From the Past – In 1998-99 our club hosted Lera Tissen from Siberia as a Rotary exchange student. During her exchange year she spent time at the home of Dan & Shirley Mooers, Dan & Edie Davidson and the DeAngelo family in Cape Elizabeth. Lera recently visited her former hosts along with her husband Dimitry and their 3-year-old daughter Inge. Lera is a marketing professional and works for a company that sells oil & gas production equipment; her husband is in IT.



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