

# TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

July 22, 2015

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

**July 29** – Club Assembly

**August 5** – Sandy Lovell, Center for Grieving Children

**August 12** – Patricia Quinn, New England Passenger Rail Authority

## ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>July 29</u>	<u>August 5</u>	<u>August 12</u>
Invocation	Frustaci	Gonzalez	Hawes
Raffle Gift	Tipton	Tranfaglia	Wagner
Conductor	Wagner	Yerxa	York

*The raffle gift certificate to Foreside Tavern donated by Bob Carson was won by Mike McGovern.*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**August 9** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Rotary Spring Point 5k Classic. Online registration [baystateevents.com](http://baystateevents.com); also see the link on our website to the race Facebook page.

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

**September 21** – Westbrook-Gorham club 21<sup>st</sup> Rotary Classic Golf Tournament, Gorham CC

## What's New With Our Members

*Happy Birthday to:*

*Bob Carson - July 29*

*Catherine Callahan - July 30*

*Ali Carignan - August 4*

*Happy Anniversary to Fran & Dave Bagdasarian - July 31 (I always put the name of the Rotarian first for anniversaries - in this case it's newest member first!)*

*Our continued get well wishes for Edie Davidson and Pam Muttly as their recovery progresses.*

**Greeting the Tall Ships** – Several Rotarians were on hand to open up Bug Light to the many thousands who descended on the waterfront to greet the tall ships (fortunately they didn't ALL want to go in the lighthouse!). Their tour guides were:

Bill Anderson  
Bill York  
David Lourie  
Kathy Cotter  
Michele Danois  
Nancy Hawes  
Rich Daniels  
Dan Davidson  
Phil Dube, and of course  
Jack Roberts



**What's In Your Closets?** – Do you have anything at home that you're storing on behalf of the club? Recently the club was on the verge of ordering some supplies before realizing that we had a stockpile of the items in various members' homes. If you have anything you're storing for us (banners, aprons, stationery, etc.), could you please let President Scott know?

**HELP WANTED** – Drivers are still needed by the Food Cupboard to pick up groceries from Hannaford on Saturday mornings. Please let David Rogers know if you can help out.

**Creative Juices** – Jean Maginnis, founder of the Maine Center for Creativity, led us in a discussion about Imagination, Creativity and Innovation. The 10-year old nonprofit which was responsible for painting the oil tanks, has 2 events coming up this fall:

- November 5, 5:30 – 7:30 – The Art and Science of Craft Brew, Oxbow Tasting Room, 49 Washington Ave, Portland
- September 25, 2:00 – 7:30 – Creating a Culture of Innovation, Jackson Laboratory, Bar Harbor

**Another Polio Milestone!** – Nigeria has gone almost one year — longer than ever before — without a case of wild poliovirus. The last case was reported on 24 July 2014 in Kano state. Once the gateway to polio in Africa, Nigeria is paving the way to eradicating the disease on the continent.

But reaching the milestone is only one step on the final road to ending polio and it is too soon to celebrate victory. Until polio is eliminated everywhere, it can return to Nigeria and the rest of Africa. Less than a decade ago, in 2006, polio paralyzed 1,000 people in Nigeria.

For the African region to be certified polio-free, including Nigeria, there must be no polio cases for two more years. To do this, all children in Nigeria and throughout Africa — including those in hard-to-reach and underserved areas — must continue to be protected against the disease.

“The ultimate goal is to ensure that the routine immunization infrastructure is established to increase and sustain the level of herd immunity” [protection for people who are not immune that occurs when a large percentage of the population has been vaccinated], says Tunji Funsho, chair of the Nigeria PolioPlus Committee. This will enable children to “continue to be immunized on schedule and protected from the virus even after the cessation of IPDs [Immunization Plus Days].”

Once all surveillance data is processed, Nigeria will be poised to be taken off the list of polio-endemic countries by the World Health Organization (WHO) in September. That achievement would leave only two polio-endemic countries: Pakistan and Afghanistan. *(from July 2015 End Polio Now Newsletter)*

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