

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

May 4, 2016

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

May 11 – Classification Talk – Denis Landry (construction)

May 18 – Girls on the Run (our new partner for the Road Race)

May 25 – Michael DuBois, Senior DEA Investigator – Investigative Tools for Money Laundering

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>May 11</u>	<u>May 18</u>	<u>May 25</u>
Invocation	Butler	Butterworth	Callahan
Raffle Gift	McGovern	Meyers	Murphy
Conductor	Hawes	Phillips	Ray

Bill Anderson was this week's lucky winner of a gift certificate to Nonesuch Books donated by Dan McDonald.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Tuesday, May 10 – Soup Kitchen

Thursday, May 12 – CE Public Works Appreciation Luncheon, Public Works Building; we have enough volunteers – thanks to all who signed up

Wednesday, May 19 – SP Public Works Appreciation Luncheon, SP Community Center; request for sign-ups will be sent soon.

Saturday, May 21 – Kite Festival at Bug Light Park – lighthouse will be open from 11:00 – 3:00 – look for sign-up in your email soon.

Monday, May 30 – Cape Elizabeth Memorial Day Parade

June 10-12 – District Conference, Bridgton – sign up on District 7780 website

June 18 – Family Fun Day

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to Bill York (May 14)

Welcome back to:

Dan Davidson following travels and eye surgeries

Phil Dube following a first-time-ever 3-week vacation!

Welcome Bob! – This week we welcomed Bob Knupp as our newest Rotarian. Well, new to us anyway – he is not new to Rotary, having been a Rotarian since 1980, most recently at the Colonial Park Rotary Club in Harrisburg, PA. Bob and his wife Judy have recently moved to Cumberland to be near their son's family in Cape Elizabeth. In addition to two granddaughters in CE, they also have 3 grandchildren in Geneva, Switzerland where their daughter lives. They will be leaving next week to for a visit to Switzerland.

Diggers, Etc. – Saturday we had a very successful work project at the Millcove Preserve next to Hannaford. We had 13 Rotarians show up to work alongside people from the neighborhood to dig up the invasive Japanese Knotweed and plant Milkweed to attract butterflies. A small group also did some clean-ups at the entry garden at Bug Light Park. It was good hard work and the weather was awesome... the kind of hands-on project many of us enjoy doing.

Dan Hogan (“creator” of the park) was REALLY happy and commented, “Boy, you guys really come through.”

A big thanks to

Diggers:

-  Bev Altenburg
-  Bill Anderson
-  Joe Conroy
-  Rich Daniels
-  Scott Irving
-  John LoBosco
-  Dan McDonald
-  Tom Meyers
-  David Rogers
-  Jack Roberts
-  Doug Schauf
-  Sue Sturtevant
-  Bill York

Snack Providers – The two Nancys
Scott Irving for entering make-ups for everyone

Tom Meyers, who coordinated the project, said that we had several “shovel-leaner-on-ers” to supervise the rest but he didn’t specify who they were. We uncovered quite a few “artifacts” of every

ilk which Sue cleaned up and brought to the meeting for us to see. Note that we will probably have more opportunities at the Park in the future.

Membership – This week’s program was a club assembly and our outgoing Membership Director Fran Bagdasarian took the opportunity to remind us of how new members come into the club:

1. Invitation by one of us
2. Transferring from another Rotary club
3. Inquiries from the website

Another source of members is former members who have left the club but circumstances have changed so that they are ready to return to the club. Fran also circulated a description of the steps involved in receiving new members into the club. We had a discussion about the requirements for membership and classifications; however this is an evolving topic due to actions that the RI Board took last month to loosen the membership requirements.

Budget Item – Discretionary Vouchers – This item in our budget is an allowance of \$50 for every club member to spend in whatever way they want to. So far this year members have used their vouchers for the Food Cupboard, My Sister’s Keeper, our club’s efforts to help veterans, and several people used their vouchers to help the two asylum seeking students from SMCC who visited our club this winter. The club recently received a thank you note from Hugues, who is one of those students:

*Dear South Portland and Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club,
I am writing this note to express my gratitude. I received a check from you all, and I believe that it came from giving and generous hearts of yours. Just so you know, this check came in when I was struggling to make ends meet, and this is exactly what I needed at that time. I cannot thank you enough, but allow me to say these simple but sincere two words THANK YOU!
Hugues*

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