

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
September 2, 2015

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

September 9 – Sheila Rollins, District Governor.

September 16 – Club Assembly

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>September 9</u>	<u>September 16</u>	<u>September 23</u>
Invocation	Livingston	LoBosco	Lourie
Raffle Gift	Anderson	D Bagdasarian	F Bagdasarian
Conductor	Barker	Britt	Butler

Ray Healey won this week's raffle gift – a gift certificate to Otto's Pizza donated by Bev Altenburg.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

September 7, Labor Day, 3-5 – Uganda Celebration in Portsmouth; see District 7780 website for more information.

September 8 – Soup Kitchen

September 12, 9:00 – 3:00 – Bug Light will be open for Maine Open Lighthouse Day; please sign up on our website for a 2-hour shift.

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

September 15, 7 p.m. – Board Meeting

September 19, 8:00 – 2:00 – District 7780 Foundation Spending Assembly, Abromson Center, USM

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

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to President Scott (September 9)

Happy Anniversary to

Bob & Alicia Danielson (September 10)

Dan & Edie Davidson (September 15)

Congratulations to Frank & Debbie Butterworth on the birth of their grandson.

Our heartfelt condolences to summer member Ron Hoppel on the death of his wife Kathleen.

They Saw the Light – We had a successful opening of Bug Light this past Saturday. It was part of the Bug Light Park Festival, an annual event put on by Buy Local, to which we belong. Approximately 200 people (with lots of kids) visited, and we made about \$214 in donations, which will go towards lighthouse maintenance.

The following 13 members participated:

- * Bill Anderson
- * Ellie Speh
- * Doug Schauf
- * Sue Sturtevant
- * Michelle Danois
- * Kathy Cotter
- * Jim Britt
- * Nancy & Scott Irving
- * Marge Barker
- * David Lourie
- * Joe Conroy
- * Tony Wagner and his wife Sally Campbell.

District Foundation Spending – On Saturday, September 19, the District will hold its second (the first was 3 years ago) district-wide forum to solicit feedback on how we should spend the District's Foundation dollars. Part of what we as individuals and as a club give to the Foundation is returned to the District to spend as we want. You don't have to hold any kind of title – any and all Rotarians in the District are welcome to come and offer their opinions. So the more attendees we have from our club, the more we can influence the decisions. There was some confusion at last night's meeting over what the District is currently spending funds on. According to the Foundation Committee's minutes, in the current year we received \$46,776 back from the Foundation. Of that, \$9,000 is reserved for an international exchange trip. The remaining

\$37,776 has been awarded to various clubs for District grants. One of these is the grant to the Kittery club in which we are a partner (see last week's bulletin). The district's Foundation funds are not currently funding scholarships. (At the meeting 3 years ago there was a lot of sentiment about wanting to fund scholarships, but we didn't have enough money to fund both meaningful scholarships as well as district grants.)

Rolling Out the Red Carpet – Next week will be our “official visit” from our District Governor, Sheila Rollins. For those of you new-ish to Rotary, here's a little background information.

What's a District Governor? I had the bright idea of going to the Rotary website for a definition – here's the definition in the bylaws (Article 1, #5): “the governor of a Rotary district.” Don't you feel enlightened now? Elsewhere on the website it indicates that a District Governor (DG) should:

- ✓ strengthen clubs and grow membership,
- ✓ serve as a spokesperson for the district,
- ✓ encourage support for the Rotary Foundation,
- ✓ conduct a district conference and other meetings, as well as
- ✓ various administrative tasks.

Has our Club had any District Governors? Yes, our club will be tied for having the most DG's in the same club (5) with Dover, Portland, Newburyport and presumably Portsmouth (see the trivia question in this week's District newsletter – by the way the question is written, I think the 5th club has to be Portsmouth). Our club's DG's were/will be:

1977-78	Harold Fralich
1985-86	Sarando (Sam) Giftos
1990-91	Daniel Mooers
1999-00	Michael McGovern
2016-17	Marge Barker

What is an Official Visit? One of the DG's responsibilities is to visit each club in the District, usually towards the beginning of the Rotary year. During the visit, the DG will be the main speaker and will outline her plans and visions for the upcoming year. The clubs vie for who can offer the warmest welcome to the DG – please be sure to attend next week so our club will be at the top of the heap.

Who is Sheila Rollins? Some of you already know Sheila from district events and because she was the speaker at our club recently. She is competing for the most number of different careers on her resume. They include flight instructor, freight pilot, restaurateur, mental health counselor, aspiring politician and now of course Rotary District Governor. She has been a member of the Bridgton Lake Region Rotary club since 2006. Sheila and her husband Merrill live in Harrison at the site of a historic water-powered sawmill with 2 dogs, 4 cats and 2 goats.

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