

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
August 3, 2016

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

August 10 – Club Assembly – Road Race
August 17 – Kevin Kelly, The Business of Scallops
August 24 – Katherine Sutherland, Middle East
August 31 – Tom Johnson, Exec Director, Victoria Mansion

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>August 10</u>	<u>August 17</u>	<u>August 24</u>
Opening Words	Flynn	Frustaci	Hawes
Raffle Gift	Sturtevant	Swift-Kayatta	Tipton
Conductor	Wagner	Schmidt	Yerxa

Nancy Irving won a gift certificate to Heidi's New York Deli donated by Ellie Speh.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

August 9 – Soup Kitchen

August 13 – Art in the Park (fried dough sales), Mill Creek Park

August 21 – Rotary Spring Point 5k Classic

August 27 – Bug Light Festival; we will be opening the lighthouse for tours.

September 10 – Bug Light will be open again – this time for Maine Open Lighthouse Day

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to Joe Conroy (August 16)

Happy Anniversary to:

Paul & Jan Butler - 60 years (!) on August 11

Dick & Priscilla Yerxa - 54 years, also on August 11

Frank & Debbie Butterworth - only 44 years - on August 12

Congratulations to Past President Scott who was presented with a PHF+1 pin by the club in recognition of his service as president and his ongoing service as our club IT Help resource!

From Past-President Scott Irving:

I'd really like to say thank you to everyone for the honor of the PHF, and the honor of having been President. Being part of a club of wonderful people made it very easy to be President. It is really the club itself that deserves the credit. The members put a lot of hard work in and really show up when help is needed. It's a pleasure being a member and look forward to the future.

Open Lighthouse – The calendar above lists two upcoming open lighthouse days for Bug Light. Following the last open house in June, the Bug Light committee put their heads together and came up with some great suggestions for improving the experience for our visitors as well as some safety measures. The committee will be finalizing their work by August 27 – if you were part of that effort, be on the lookout for more information from Tom Meyers.

Phones & Cameras Wanted – Anamaria and Dan Davidson usually do a good job of taking pictures at club meetings for FaceBook and other publicity purposes. We would like to have some backup photographers for when they can't make it to a meeting (no experience required!). Besides our FB page, we will also be submitting articles – hopefully with pictures – about our doings to the local papers. And by “we,” I mean Adrienne – thanks, Adrienne, for volunteering to help with our publicity!

Timely Topic! – At this week's meeting we had a very informative presentation about the facts concerning medical marijuana. Gillian Graham, a reporter for the Portland Press Herald, became an “expert” on marijuana by default when one of the towns in her beat (York) had a local proposal to legalize marijuana. In covering that proposal and other marijuana issues, she learned a lot that she shared with us. Did you know, for instance, that:

- Last year Mainers spent \$26.3 million on medical marijuana from the 8 dispensaries (and an unknown additional amount from caregivers).
- In order to purchase medical marijuana you have to be certified by a physician; this is required every year.
- There is an increasing number of physicians in Maine (currently about 300) who are willing to certify patients.
- There are about 2,800 caregivers who are allowed to grow marijuana for up to 5 patients, with up to 6 mature plants per patient (plus additional plants in the growing stages).
- There are a handful of patients who are abusing the 5-patient limit by maintaining a revolving patient base.
- There is an increasing demand for marijuana strains that don't make you high (for pediatric use, for instance).
- The ballot proposal in November for recreational use would be for lesser amounts of marijuana; the existing rules for medical marijuana would be unchanged.

Who Was Arch Klumph? – Many of us have heard of Arch Klumph and may know that there is an “Arch Klumph Society” for donors who have made very large gifts to the Rotary Foundation. But besides being a man with a funny name, who was Arch Klumph? Basically he was the creator of The Rotary Foundation – here’s a little bit more about him:

A founding member of the Rotary Club of Cleveland, Ohio, Arch C. Klumph personified the term “self-made man.” Forced to leave school at age 12 to help with the expenses, Arch Klumph went to work as a variety store “cash boy” for \$3 per week. A few months later, he became an office boy at the Travelers’ Insurance Company and began studying bookkeeping in his spare time.

The father of one of Klumph’s friends was so impressed with the initiative and organizational skills of the teenage Klumph that he hired him – for \$1 a day – as an office boy at Cuyahoga Lumber Company. Klumph would work all day and then attend classes at night – often walking 4 miles each way to save the tram fare. Klumph did so well that he became president of the lumber company in 1898 and sole owner in 1912, turning Cuyahoga Lumber into one of the most successful building supply companies in the Midwest.

And so it was not surprising that this country farm boy who came to own successful businesses in lumber and box making would be invited to join the new Rotary Club of Cleveland. His term as the club’s fourth president was successful by all accounts, but it is in his closing address that we glimpse the origins of Klumph’s history-making vision for Rotary. Having described himself as a man who “thinks Rotary, sleeps Rotary, and dreams Rotary,” he proposed that “an emergency fund should be built up which will enable the club in future years to do many things.”

From Doing Good In The World, the Inspiring Story of The Rotary Foundation’s First 100 Years by David C. Forward.

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