

# TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth  
February 1 & 8, 2017

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

February 15 – Nan Heald, Pine Tree Legal  
February 22 – Diane Atwood, Healthcare Blog  
March 1 – Julia McDonald, MD, Drugs – Expired & Recycled

## ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>February 15</u>	<u>February 22</u>	<u>March 1</u>
Opening Words	Schauf	Laurenz	Ursula
Raffle Gift	Davidson	Daviero	Dube
Conductor	Geneseo	Hawes	Healey

*February 1: Dan McDonald won a gift certificate to the Saltwater Grille donated by Joe Conroy.  
February 8: Dan McDonald won a gift certificate to the Good Table donated by Rich Daniels – I think.  
Is that right – Dan won 2 weeks in a row????*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**February 14** – Soup Kitchen

**March 15** – Foundation Anniversary Party – this is a “Spouses Night” – feel free to bring a guest.

**March 18** – District Leadership Institute

## *What's New With Our Members*

*Get Well Wishes to President Bill who could not attend last night's meeting (and to everyone else who has the nasty stuff going around) - Sue filled in very capably for him.*

*Happy Birthday to  
Nancy Irving (2/13)  
Laurenz Schmidt (2/18)  
David Lourie (2/21)*

*Happy Anniversary to  
Chuck & Melissa Redman (2/12)  
Ali & Justin Carignan (2/22)*

*Congratulations to Road Race committee member Jason Seymour & his wife Heather on the adoption of their daughter Avina!*

*Congratulations to Nicole Albert on her new job with the DA's office working on domestic abuse cases!*

*Congratulations to WinterFest Hot Wings "place," "show" and "also-ran" winners:*

*2<sup>nd</sup> place - Rich Daniels*

*3<sup>rd</sup> place - Ray Healey*

*4<sup>th</sup> place - Tony Wagner*

*Thank you to Dan Davidson for taking notes at the Feb. 1 meeting!!*

*Apologies to Fran Bagdasarian whose presentation on the Club Protection Policy has been postponed twice - 3<sup>rd</sup> time's a charm!*

**WinterFest a Huge Success** – Despite the lack of snow and decent ice, WinterFest was very successful from the standpoints of both finances and fun. A huge crowd turned out at Wainwright Fields on Saturday to compete in the cardboard sled competition, see Slugger, touch a firetruck, eat hot wings, win prizes at Score-O and turkey bowling, and to see great FIREWORKS! Thanks to everyone who was involved!

**Regency Hotel and Spa (Feb. 1 Program)** – David Davis, director of sales, gave us a very personable (read that as wonderfully “non-scripted”) insight into the hotel and its history. (Side note: he met Bill York through Bill’s wife Diane and her work as a wedding planner who used the Regency.) The Regency was built in 1895 as a National Guard drill facility and was considered one of the finest armories in New England. Since then it has been used for public baths, a wartime dormitory for seamen on shore leave, a rec center, a civic auditorium. At one point it was sold to State Paper Company for use as a warehouse. It was purchased in 1982 by Eric Cianchette who transformed the interior into a hotel and it was renovated again in 2012. Peak occupancy is from May through October, Davis says, and weekends are always good primarily due to visitors from Boston and New Hampshire and it is popular for board meetings, conferences, and functions such as weddings. There are now 95 rooms with a 74 percent occupancy rate. The hotel is a charter member of Historic Hotels of America and emphasizes service and “the experience.” There is free valet parking at lunchtime. During Q & A, several Rotarians praised their experiences and meals at the Regency.

**Food Cupboard Drivers** – Doug Schauf has completed the rigorous training program to become a driver for the Food Cupboard and will be driving on a team with Bob Knupp. Two more drivers are needed – the commitment is about 1 hour once a month (and the training is nothing more than riding along once on the food pickup!) Please let Tony, President Bill or Sybil know if you have an interest in helping out.

**Is There a Lawyer in the House?** – Our Feb. 8 meeting was devoted to a report and vote on changes to the bylaws. Scott made a presentation on what the changes were, most of which were minor. However there was a complicated discussion surrounding the meeting attendance requirements and I'll try to synthesize it here. We were fortunate to have Mike McGovern who pointed out the inconsistency and all our legal beagle members who offered their free legal advice.

Here's the issue. Following the 2013 Council on Legislation, our club determined what we wanted our attendance requirements to be. These requirements were written up in a document adopted by the Board which is called the Engagement Policy. In addition to spelling out the requirements it also includes some explanations of what types of activities count as make-ups and which do not. By not spelling out these requirements in our bylaws, we default to the RI Standard Club Constitution which is not the same as the requirements in our Engagement Policy. So if we want our Engagement Policy to control, rather than the RI Standard Club Constitution, then we need to incorporate it into our bylaws. Therefore Mike made a motion (Adrienne seconded) that we approve all of the changes except the ones that would change the membership requirements. The motion further asked the Bylaws committee to incorporate the requirements of the Engagement Policy into the bylaws and come back to the club for those changes to be approved. The motion passed. Thank you to the Bylaws Committee for all of their hard work, and all those who participated in the thoughtful discussion last night.

**Correction** – Kathy Cotter will be coordinating our Scholarships program, not RYLA as previously reported.

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