

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
January 18, 2017

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

January 25 – Kara Woolrick, Portland Trails
February 1 – David Davis, Regency Hotel
February 8 – Club Assembly

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>January 25</u>	<u>February 1</u>	<u>February 8</u>
Opening Words	Redman	Roberts	Rogers
Raffle Gift	Danielson	Conroy	Daniels
Conductor	Farrell	Daviero	Frustaci

Membership Director David Lourie was the lucky (or rigged???) winner of a gift certificate to Verbena's donated by Kathy Cotter. His number was picked by new member Nicole – is part of the initiation to select the Membership Director's ticket???

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

January 26, 5:30 – 7:00 – WinterFest kickoff party at Verbena's to thank sponsors. (Our club is buying the oysters.)

January 27 – Celebrate Knightville (4:30 – 6:30), followed by Skating Party at Mill Creek.

January 28 – Pancake Breakfast and events all day long at Wainwright Fields, concluding with fireworks.

February 1, 5:30-8:30 – “Party With a Purpose,” Portland Sunrise Club fundraiser for Maine Children's Cancer Program at DiMillo's

What's New With Our Members

Farewell and best wishes to Anamaria as she moves to San Antonio for a new job. Anamaria was a Board member and represented our district as part of the team that went to Bulgaria 2 years ago. She is also our club's social media representative - we can always count on her to post pictures of club happenings to our Facebook page while they're still happening! We wish you much success in your new job and don't forget your Rotary friends!

Welcome, Nicole! This week we welcomed Nicole Albert to Rotary. Nicole is originally from Westbrook, but studied and worked in DC and then New Jersey as a lawyer before returning to Maine. She now lives in Cape Elizabeth but works from home for a non-profit based in DC. She is an executive program manager for Saving Promise, a national organization focused on the prevention of domestic abuse. Nicole is a huge Red Sox fan, and has served on the Advisory Council for the Arthur B. Huot House, a transitional home for homeless veterans. (Sounds like maybe we could get some female representation on our Veterans Committee????) Welcome to Rotary, Nicole.

And Welcome Mike! – We also welcomed Mike Geneseo this week. Mike and his wife Becca – and their two dogs – are residents of South Portland. Mike is a senior account executive at Broadreach Public Relations. He is originally from Boston and graduated from Emerson College. He loves to surf but says that he’s terrible at it. He also loves to cook – hmmm, Polio Dine-Around at Mike’s house? Mike was on the board of the Salt Institute and has volunteered his professional services to the US National Toboggan Championships. Welcome to Rotary, Mike!

A Presentation that was “squeaky” clean?? - One of your fellow club members wanted me to use that pun in the bulletin (I won’t embarrass Bob Knupp by telling you who). Anyway our speaker Luann Ballesteros from Jackson Laboratory drove all the way down from Bangor in the snow – and back – to speak to us last night! Many of us remembered Luann from when she spoke to us a couple years ago and gave us the tip that we should all be eating blueberries! The research they are doing at Jackson Labs is fascinating – for instance Luann explained how they could implant tumors in mice that would allow them to test to see which drug would be most effective in treating that tumor. The lab ships millions of mice each year to research facilities around the world. As a non-profit, Jackson Labs is able to conduct research on rare diseases as well as more pervasive diseases such as cancer and Alzheimer’s. Luann also stressed the vital impact that Jackson Labs has on the state of Maine’s economy. It was a real treat to get this firsthand update on the cutting edge research that is going on right here in Maine.

Opportunities Available! – Even though I editorialized above and suggested maybe Nicole would like to serve on the Veterans Committee, she is not obligated to and in fact there are many opportunities to serve the club for our new members as well as existing members. The latest openings – and frankly ones that sound really interesting (sorry, editorializing again) – are to coordinate and conduct the interviews for high school scholarship applicants and RYLA applicants (freshmen in high school). Please let President Bill, Rich Daniels or Ray Healey know if you have any interest in helping to select young people whom we can reward for their accomplishments.

Who Do You Know Who Should be a Paul Harris Fellow? On March 15 our club will celebrate The Rotary Foundation’s 100th anniversary. At that event, we would like to honor individuals from the community who exemplify Service Above Self by awarding them Paul Harris Fellow status. (We did something similar at our club’s 50th anniversary celebration.) If you know of any individuals who would be worthy of this honor, please give their names to Sue Sturtevant or Nancy Hawes by the end of January.

**ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH
PORTLAND/CAPE ELIZABETH, MAINE**

www.sp-ce-rotary.org

Officers

President – Bill Anderson
President-Elect – Sue Sturtevant
Vice President – Fran Bagdasarian
Secretary – Kathy Cotter
Treasurer – Nancy Irving

Directors

Club Administration – Doug Schauf
Community Service – Tom Meyers
Membership – David Lourie
International & Foundation – Catherine Callahan
Youth Services – Rich Daniels & Ray Healey
Director-At-Large – Scott Irving

Publicity – Jim Britt
Bulletin Editor – Nancy Hawes
Program Chair – Bill York

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

John Germ
Rotary Club of Chattanooga

DISTRICT 7780 GOVERNOR

Marge Barker
Rotary Club of South Portland-Cape Elizabeth