

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
June 14, 2017

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

June 21 – Charlie Summers, Easter Seals – **MEET AT PORTLAND PLAYERS!!!!**

June 28 – CHANGEOVER – Celebrate the end of another successful Rotary year!!

July 5 – No Meeting – Recover from your July 4 celebrations!

July 12 – District Governor Dave Underhill Official Club Visit

July 19 – Lobsterbake at Fort Williams

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>June 21</u>	<u>June 28</u>	<u>July 12</u>
Opening Words	Butler	Butterworth	Callahan
Raffle Gift	McDonald	McGovern	Meyers
Conductor	O'Shea	Piper	Ray

Dan McDonald won the raffle prize of a gift certificate to Verbena donated by David Lourie.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

June 17 – Family Fun Day, Fort Williams Park. *Note that we will find out Friday at noon whether it will be postponed to Sunday.*

June 24 – Tour of Fort Gorges with Portland Rotary <http://portlandrotary.org/event/copy-of-exclusive-tour-of-fort-gorges/>

June 27 – District Change-over at Camp Hinds AND RYLA graduation on the same night.

July 9 (afternoon) – Park cars for Cape Elizabeth Land Trust event near Higgins Beach. We will be paid \$850 to park cars and will donate – you guessed it - \$850 to CELT.

What's New With Our Members

Happy Anniversary to Ellie & Chris Speh - June 21

Our sincere condolences to Mike Tranfaglia on his mother's passing (at age 95!)

Welcome to Ilse Yanis who visited us this week from North Carolina. Ilse is a past president of the former South Portland Sunrise Club, with whom we collaborated on many projects.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Work Day at Partners for World Health

Our forgiveness is granted to Marc Mutty who confessed to us that he had been president of Key Club in high school.

Thank you to Tom Meyers for coordinating the seniors lunch and submitting the article below.



Special Guests for Lunch on June 13th. The Peter A. McKernan Hospitality Center at Southern Maine Community College provided breathtaking views and a wonderful luncheon for over 85 senior citizens who live in South Portland Housing Authority residences. As guests arrived, they were greeted and provided nametags. Once seated, our Happy Hour “wait staff” took orders and delivered mocktails (non-alcoholic beverages) concocted by bartenders Bill Daviero, Tom Meyers, and Anamaria’s neighbor Jennifer Moscone. The drinks had exotic names such as Lo-Fi Mai-Tai with maraschino cherry, pineapple garnish, and little umbrella toothpicks. The blue Glacier Punch with raspberry garnish was a big hit, as were an assortment of spritzers. While waiting to eat, there were opportunities to answer written trivia questions and simply enjoy chatting with new and previous friends.

Our guests enjoyed a delicious meal of pot roast, shrimp-stuffed haddock, rice, peas, and a delectable choice of lemon mousse or gluten free chocolate cake... and a few tried both. HA!

Our wait staff was constantly on the move attending to our guests with drink orders, assisting them through the buffet line, and ensuring their every need was met. They also bussed the tables and delivered coffee, tea, and dessert. Rotary “wait staff” in this annual event included Bev Altenburg, Kathy Cotter, Joanie Frustaci, Bob Knupp, Sybil Riemensnider, and Ellie Speh (whose Rotary apron prompted the question “when did they let women in?”). Susan Woodman, the Activities Director at the SPHA, arranged for beautiful live flower centerpieces which were taken home by the person at the table whose last name was closest to the end of the alphabet.

One lovely guest wanted to send us a note, and asked, “Who at the Kiwanis Club should I send a Thank You note to?”

Auld Lang Syne – As our Rotary year comes to an end we will celebrate in style on June 28. We will meet at our usual time at Purpoodock with the usual price (\$18). As is our custom, however, this will be a guests night so please bring anyone who eats alone while you're at Rotary – other guests are welcome too! We will have a signup online so that we can give Purpoodock a good head count. Come thank Bill and his Board and celebrate the great year we've had, as well as wish luck to Sue and the new board members!

Preble Street Think Tank – Most of our meeting last night was devoted to the issue of our involvement with the Preble Street soup kitchen. We have a perennial problem of insufficient signups (especially since the soup kitchen changed its hours) or conversely too many people showing up (when the Interact students arrive en masse). We need a minimum of 12 volunteers each month. Therefore David led a discussion about how we can improve our process; suggestions included

- ✓ Partnering with another group (there are plenty of groups that want to help the soup kitchen),
- ✓ Sign up more than one month ahead of time,
- ✓ Require 2 students per Interact club per month,
- ✓ Form a core group of volunteers with a leader who coordinates by email (which is what the Portland Rotary and many church groups do),
- ✓ Consider whether we still want to commit to the soup kitchen on a regular basis.

There was significant momentum for coming up with a successful model and the Board will discuss at its next meeting, with a strong possibility that they will form a committee to study the issue.

Bill Gates & Friends Bring Good News to Atlanta – One of the speakers at this week's Rotary International Convention in Atlanta was Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. He and several others were there to also announce commitments towards polio eradication over the next three years. The most significant commitment was from the Gates Foundation which has agreed to extend its 2-1 match of Rotary contributions of up to \$50 million per year. The 3-year commitments total a little over \$1.2 billion – here are the donors who have stepped up to the plate:

450,000,000	Gates Foundation (Rotary match + additional donations)
154,700,000	Pakistan
150,000,000	Rotary
134,600,000	Nigeria
75,000,000	Canada
61,400,000	European Commission
55,000,000	Japan
30,000,000	United Arab Emirates
30,000,000	Dalio Foundation
25,000,000	Bloomberg Philanthropies
15,000,000	Anonymous
11,200,000	Germany

5,000,000 easyJet
5,000,000 Italy
4,000,000 Korea
2,000,000 Korea Foundation for Intl Healthcare/Community Chest of Korea
1,700,000 United Nations Foundation/Shot@Life
1,030,000 Switzerland
514,000 Unicef USA
500,000 Luxembourg
330,000 Monaco
130,000 New Era Educational & Charitable Foundation
60,000 Turkey
30,000 Malta
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