

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
March 15, 2017

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

March 22 – Steve Levesque, Brunswick Landing

March 29 – Rick Lachapelle, Pawn Shops

April 5 – Kathleen Sutherland, WAC – Saudi Arabia

April 12 – Bradford Peck, Support for Maine Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>March 22</u>	<u>March 29</u>	<u>April 5</u>
Opening Words	Virginia	Speh	Sturtevant
Raffle Gift	Frustaci	Geneseo	Hawes
Conductor	Scott Irving	Knupp	Kubeck

A gift certificate to Scratch Baking Co. donated by Jacki Farrell was won by Kathy Ray.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

March 18 – District Leadership Institute

April 8 – District Training Assembly at USM – for incoming officers, Board and committee members and frankly anyone who wants to know more about Rotary

May 19-21 – District Conference, Samoset, Rockport – register on District 7780 website.

*Is it the truth?
Is it fair to all concerned?
Will it build goodwill and better understanding?
Is it beneficial to all concerned?*

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to Marc Mutty (March 23) and Elyse Tipton (March 25)

Happy Anniversary to David and Robbi Rogers (March 28)

Congratulations to Bug Light for making the cover of an LL Bean catalog - we've made the big time!



Thank you to the following for their roles in making our anniversary party special:

- ★ *Bill Daviero - planned musical entertainment for us that in the confusion somehow got overlooked (a million apologies, Bill!)*
- ★ *Virginia Schmidt - created the beautiful nametags for all our guests, as well as the certificate for Mike*
- ★ *Ray Healey - helped with planning and the "100 quotes"*
- ★ *Doug Schauf - coordinated with Purpoodock for an extra special meal*
- ★ *Jim Britt - took pictures and will submit to the newspapers*
- ★ *Joan Frustaci - made the place look festive*
- ★ *Fran Bagdasarian - helped with planning and greeting*
- ★ *Marge Barker - gave us our eloquent opening words - and helped get the backs off the #\$\$@ pins!*
- ★ *President Bill - patiently let Sue and me plan last night's meeting*

The Stars Collided – or at least the Avenues of Service Did! – In reflecting on last night and what to write about in the bulletin (since I didn't take notes!), it struck me that what was so special about last night was that it incorporated the best of what Rotary is all about. Traditionally Rotary has focused on the "Avenues of Service:"

Community Service – As Bill York quoted from Muhammad Ali, "community service is the rent we pay for living on the face of the earth." And we recognized as Paul Harris Fellows four individuals who take that to heart and have done so much for our community. For instance Jack Roberts told us how **Kathy DiPhilippo** practically single-handedly transformed the South Portland Historical Society into the vibrant organization and presence at Bug Light that it is today.



Vocational Service – we heard firsthand testimony from Tom Meyers and Anne Swift-Kayatta about how the former South Portland city manager **Jim Gailey** and former Cape Elizabeth town manager **Mike McGovern** not only accomplished A LOT during their tenure, but did it in a way that embodied the 4-Way Test and inspired respect from those they worked with. (The certificate of appreciation from the club to Mike was a surprise – sorry I couldn't tell you about it in a previous bulletin!)



Youth Service – we heard from Bill York about the contributions of the late **Sam DiPietro** in founding the Boys & Girls Club in South Portland. On hand to help us celebrate were Mary Goodrich from the B/G Club and several members of the DiPietro family. Bob Danielson also told us about the quiet way in which **David Lengyel**, owner of Willows Pizza, has consistently provided pizzas to Little Leaguers, as well as many many other young people's activities, for many years.



International Service – We marked 100 years of The Rotary Foundation last night. While it's not possible to even scratch the surface of all the good that the Foundation has done throughout the world in the past 100 years (including virtual eradication of polio), Mike McGovern and Frank Butterworth reminded us of why we give to the Foundation. And speaking of giving, the Foundation could not do what it does without our donations. We ALL donate to the Foundation through the generous amount that our club gives (\$379,556.86 so far!), but last night we also honored some of our fellow club members who have been especially generous:

- 👤 Fran Bagdasarian – Paul Harris Fellow (PHF)
- 👤 Bill Anderson – PHF+1
- 👤 Laurenz Schmidt – PHF+2
- 👤 Dave Bagdasarian – PHF+6, and
- 👤 Marge Barker – MAJOR DONOR! A major donor has donated \$10,000 or more to The Rotary Foundation. We were especially pleased to have our District Foundation chair Marty Helman on hand to present our District Governor Marge with this evidence of appreciation from the Foundation.



Club Service – and finally club service is all about fellowship. It's more fun when we're all together and we were so fortunate to have so many of our club members present last night, as well as many of their spouses – and even children/grandchildren (and I mean you, Genevieve and Jack!).



In his remarks last night, Mike commented on visiting Arch Klumph's grave (the founder of the Foundation in case you weren't there for Frank's quiz!) and how unassuming it was. This was a common theme last night – our honorees are humble and unassuming and some said "why me?" when being told of this honor. It was our thrill last night to give public recognition to people in our community who are just going about their business of giving back to the community.

P.S. from Me – I'm wearing two hats as Foundation co-chair and Bulletin editor so I'm going to take advantage of that to thank my co-chair Sue Sturtevant and say what a pleasure it has been working with her in planning this event. She just got back from PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar) and is all charged up to be our next president – it will be another great year!

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