

# TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth  
September 28, 2016

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

October 5 – Peter Murray, Ranked Choice Voting  
October 12 – District Governor Visit – our own Marge Barker!  
October 19 – Kara Woolrick, Portland Trails

## ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>October 5</u>	<u>October 12</u>	<u>October 19</u>
Opening Words	Leasure	Livingston	LoBosco
Raffle Gift	Anderson	D. Bagdasarian	F.Bagdasarian
Conductor	Bates	Britt	Butler

*AnaMaria won a gift certificate to Terra Cotta Pasta donated by Fran Bagdasarian.*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**October 11** – Soup Kitchen

**October 22, 8:30 a.m. (Saturday)** – Kittery-Portsmouth Bridgewalk; polio fundraiser/awareness (see District 7780 website to register)

**October 23, 8 a.m. (Sunday)** – Inaugural Portland Sunrise Rotary Back Cove Sunrise 5K

**November 10 (Thursday)** – District 7780 Centennial Celebration “100 for 100,” Marriott at Sable Oaks, register on District 7780 website.

## *What's New With Our Members*

*Happy Birthday to Cap'n Lloyd Knight - October 5*

*Happy Anniversary to Sarah & Jake Piper - October 8*

*Congratulations - AGAIN! - to Dan McDonald for winning the mini-Lombardy football trophy for the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in a row!*

*Welcome to sisters Ursula & Virginia Schmidt, natives of Argentina who were our guests this week; we last saw them at the LoBoscós' home when they entertained the Argentine exchange team.*

**Welcome Jennifer & Chris!** – We were joined this week by our Interact advisers from the two high schools: Jennifer Majors from SPHS and Chris Newell from CEHS. They reported that the two clubs are off to an excellent start – about 85 students at CEHS and close to 100 students at SPHS! These clubs represent the future of Rotary and we are so grateful for the able leadership of Jennifer and Chris.

**The President is Coming!** – The RI future president that is; the Rotary President for the year 2018-19 will be Sam Owori, a commercial banker from Kampala Uganda. He will be speaking at the District's "100 for 100" dinner to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Rotary Foundation. All are welcome to attend. The cost of your supper will be a little steeper than the Purpoodock (\$100) but a portion of that will go to the Foundation. The dinner will be on Saturday, November 10 at the Marriott Sable Oaks – you can register on the District 7780 website.



**Making it on the Big Screen** – This week we were treated to a demonstration of the new projector and large screen at Portland Players. The projector was donated by our club and Players Board President Jeff Campbell welcomed us to the theater and thanked us for the donation. The high resolution projector is the same quality as in movie theaters and they are currently using it in their production of Bonnie and Clyde. They also plan to use it for simulcasts of Broadway shows in between their own productions.

**CIEE** – Our speaker this week was Maritheresa (MT) Frain, Executive Vice-President for Study Abroad at CIEE. MT has been with the non-profit CIEE for 16 years, all but the last two in Seville, Spain. CIEE moved to Maine in 2003 from its previous headquarters in New York City and Boston. The organization was founded in 1947 with a South Portland connection – it began with faculty members leading groups of students overseas on Liberty ships. The initial learning took place right on the ship as they traveled to their destinations. The experience has evolved over the years to the model that we're more familiar with now – students study at local universities at 67 study centers around the world. They currently send 10,000 students from 350 colleges abroad each year to study. The inbound aspect of the program brings 30,000 students from 92 different countries to the United States to work.

**The Rotary Foundation's Second "Birth"** – I should have done a quiz asking about things that happened in 1947 – one was the founding of CIEE as noted above. Another would have been the death of Paul Harris. Although this year we are celebrating the inception of The Rotary Foundation in 1916, it didn't really get off the ground until 1947.

The Rotary Foundation had a purpose. Now all it needed was money to fund those purposeful activities. The opportunity came on 28 January 1947, the day Paul Harris died. In a twist of fate, it was a day when opportunity intersected with action.

Harris had left directions that instead of any material monuments or flowers, if his friends really wanted to honor him, they should donate money for the advancement of international understanding.

The Rotary world knew that Paul Harris had supported The Rotary Foundation since its inception. As word of his death spread, donations began flooding in to Rotary headquarters.

But as The Rotarian noted in its April 1947 article "A Memorial to Paul Harris:"  
"Paul Harris would have preferred to put the emphasis, not on the money coming in, but on the money going out to serve the ends of international understanding. He was always deeply interested in student exchanges, and also in those exchanges of children between Rotary families of different nations that enabled boys and girls to become acquainted with ways and customs of other peoples. He was especially interested in the Foundation's plan for advanced scholarships, enabling students from one country to do graduate work in another country."

*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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