

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
March 28, 2018

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

April 4 – Mark Roberts (Jack’s son!), Office of State Fire Marshal
April 11 – Meet at Rachel Walls Gallery
April 18 – Matt Sturgis, Cape Elizabeth Town Manager
April 25 – Scott Morelli, South Portland City Manager

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>April 4</u>	<u>April 11</u>	<u>April 18</u>
Opening Words	Schauf	L Schmidt	U Schmidt
Raffle Gift	Danielson	Danois	Davidson
Conductor	Frustaci	Geneseo	Gonzalez

Tony Wagner won a gift certificate to Buffalo Wild Wings donated by Rich Daniels. I wasn't paying close enough attention but I think he gave it to the PeaceJam students.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

April 7 – District Training Assembly, York County Community College

April 9, 3 pm – 10 pm – 10% Donation Night at Texas Roadhouse for South Portland Sea Cadets

April 12, 6 – 8 p.m. – “Vision to Plan” workshop at South Portland Housing Authority, 100 Waterman Drive

April 25 – tree seedlings arrive.

April 30 (Monday) – Bug Light clean-up & work on garden. We will be assisted by about 20 students from Waynflete.

May 4-6 – District Conference, Mount Washington Hotel

June 23-27 – Rotary International Convention, Toronto

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to:

- 🍰 Mark Leasure (April 6)
- 🍰 Ellie Speh (April 8)

Welcome back, Bev!!

Congratulations to Sybil Riemensnider who was given the honor of doing the ceremonial puck-dropping at the annual South Portland Firefighters Checking for Charity hockey game!

Making a Difference – Our speakers this week were from the PeaceJam club at Cape Elizabeth High School and they are definitely carrying out this year's Rotary motto through their bullying prevention efforts in the middle school. Telling us about their club were:

- ★ Tony Inhorn, Senior – Co-President
- ★ Arsen Scheindel, Senior – Co-President
- ★ Kelsey Kennedy, Junior – Co-President (this year & next)
- ★ Rohan Freedman, Junior – Co-President next year
- ★ Mary Kate Hayes, Junior – Co-President next year

PeaceJam is a global organization founded in 1994 dedicated to empowering young people and spreading the ideals of peace. The organization has good credentials – there are 15 Nobel Laureates on their board! In addition to the bullying prevention program mentioned above, the group raises money through bake sales to donate to the nonprofit local group “Welcoming the Stranger” (which helps immigrants) and they helped to organize the school walkout on March 14.

Our club has profited from our relationship with PeaceJam by their participation in the tree sale (Tree Sale Chair Fran was highly complimentary of the professionalism of the group's leadership in coordinating schedules for the tree sale) and most recently by their assistance in cleaning up our corner of Mill Creek Park yesterday (Friday).

The group's formal presentation was followed by some really meaningful dialogue with club members about the importance of preventing bullying. As a club we expressed our appreciation to them for Making a Difference.

What Can You Share With Your Fellow Club Members??? – Foundation co-chairs Anne & Nancy H described the social/Foundation fundraiser that will take place at our regular meeting on May 23. The event is intended to be a party for club members and guests, with a silent auction to benefit the Rotary Foundation. We are asking all of you to donate something to the auction, but what we really want is for you to donate something that helps us get to know you better. One person has donated her services to organize your closet. Another has donated a photo session.

Another will probably donate homemade cookies since she can't think of anything else. From the surveys you filled out last fall, we know that you have lots of talents and interests that many of us probably don't know about. Could you take someone out kayaking? Give them a tour of Bug Light? Some home-grown honey? The possibilities are endless. No contribution is too small and it's not a competition – we'd love to have a wide variety of items for people to bid on. We will start collecting your commitments at next week's meeting but feel free to email Anne or me any time with your ideas. The objectives of the event are – in this order:

1. Have FUN!!!!
2. Get to know each other better
3. Raise money for the Foundation

And Finally - (It's tax season – I have no interesting filler to round out the bulletin!!)

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