

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

May 9, 2018

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

May 16 – Warren Buffett’s Approach – A Report from the Oracle of Omaha’s Annual Meeting. Jim Moore, Rotary Club of NYC

May 23 – PARTY!!

May 30 – Jaye van Dussen, Hospice of Southern Maine

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>May 16</u>	<u>May 23</u>	<u>May 30</u>
Opening Words	Swift-Kayatta	Tipton	Tranfaglia
Raffle Gift	Dube	Frustaci	Geneseo
Conductor	Higgins	N Irving	S Irving

Bev was the lucky winner of a gift certificate to Nonesuch Books donated by Lucas Desmond.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

May 15, 5:30 – Cumberland Club. Go-To-Toronto Send-off Party (for those attending the International Convention in Toronto)

May 16, 11 - 1 – VA2K Walk/Run, Portland VA Clinic, 144 Fore Street

May 16 – Board meeting, following regular meeting

May 19 – Bug Light Kite Festival – *Bug Light Open House!*

June 3, 7:30 a.m – Parking cars for Girls on the Run, Cumberland County Fairgrounds – see online signup sent recently.

June 12 - Seniors lunch – see online signup sent recently.

June 16 – Family Fun Day

June 16, 10-4 – Native Plant Sale, Maine Audubon, Gilsland Farm

June 23-27 – Rotary International Convention, Toronto

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to Mike Geneseo (May 20)

Happy Anniversary to Mike & MaryAnne Tranfaglia (May 19)

Welcome Back Paul Butler!

Cheerio to Bill York as he leaves for a month in Limington, Great Britain!

Who was the baby-faced guy at our meeting who looked sort of like Jim Britt??

Greetings from Ellie Speh – Ellie won't be back in Maine for a couple more weeks but she had the Opening Words duty this week and sent the following for Fran to deliver (she can't remember the source):

"May we be reminded of our highest aspirations and be inspired to bring our gifts of love and service to the altar of humanity. May we know once again that we are not isolated beings but connected in mystery and miracle to the universe, to this community and to each other."

Making A Difference – One of the highlights of the District Conference this past weekend was the address by RI President Ian Riseley. He spoke about his theme of Rotary – Making a Difference and how he chose it immediately because it's what Rotary clubs do every day. He expanded on that to say that he wasn't just talking about the difference Rotary makes in other people's lives but in the difference that it makes in our own lives as Rotarians. He was "young" (i.e. under 40) when he joined Rotary and his Rotary club was a great setting for him to develop speaking and leadership skills in a friendly environment. I'm sure many of us could say the same thing, and it's a great selling point for joining Rotary. He also spoke about how Rotary is uniquely positioned to Make a Difference in achieving peace. More about the Pyramid of Peace awards later – cliffhanger: did our club win this award???????



Nancy H & Sue LoBosco enjoying some free time.

Our club's representatives - DG-Elect John, me, Mike McGovern & AG Bill Anderson

Bug Light Clean-up Parts II and III – Last week’s cleanup resulted in a huge pile of rocks still sitting in the parking lot at Bug Light. Thanks to Denis Landry’s front-end loader, he and Bill York and Dan McDonald were able to move the entire pile to the shorefront. Then on Saturday Catherine Callahan coordinated planting a new garden next to the fenced-off benches facing Portland in the park. She was joined by

- 🔧 Phil Dube
- 🔧 Ray Healey
- 🔧 Bob Knupp
- 🔧 David Lourie
- 🔧 Dan McDonald
- 🔧 Tural Nadirli
- 🔧 Bill York

(I got the names from pictures that Bob Knupp took – I hope I got everyone!)
A big thank you to Bill York for planning and implementing this big project!



Soup Kitchen – We had a very light turnout at this month’s soup kitchen:

- 🍲 Joe Conroy
- 🍲 Phil Dube
- 🍲 Paul Butler
- 🍲 David Lourie
- 🍲 Ray Healey

Please consider joining them next month if your schedule allows.

Thank a Teacher – Our speaker this week, Jeff Shedd, Principal of CEHS, started his presentation with a shout-out to teachers, who work incredibly hard and deserve all the accolades they may get. Mike McGovern introduced Jeff, who is a graduate of Williams College, BU School of Law and USM (M.Ed.), and who previously worked at Bernstein Shur and Mt. Ararat HS. Jeff loves his job, and cautioned that he doesn't believe he is a typical HS principal because the community of Cape Elizabeth is so supportive of education and the students are so motivated. He discussed some of the issues that have changed in high schools since most of us were teenagers – education of students with disabilities, school safety, state mandates and reporting requirements. He was very complimentary of a fairly new program called Freshman Academy. This program is an extra class for 8th grade students who have been identified as potentially having a tough time transitioning to high school. They start each class with meditation (if you can believe it!) and the class has dramatically reduced the number of behavioral incidents in the high school.

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