

# TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth  
October 18, 2017

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

October 25 – Club Assembly - results of club members' interests and satisfaction survey!

## ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>October 25</u>	<u>November 1</u>	<u>November 8</u>
Opening Words	Hawes	Danielson	Knupp
Raffle Gift	Swift-Kayatta	Tipton	Tranfaglia
Conductor	Yerxa	York	Albert

*Somebody better check Hugh O'Shea's sleeve next time! He pulled out his own winning number and won the raffle – a Verbena gift certificate donated by Sue Sturtevant ( a re-cycled prize she had won last year but never had a chance to use).*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**October 24 – World Polio Day**

**November 7 – 6:30 p.m. Cape Elizabeth Lion's Club Dinner at Bowery Beach Schoolhouse.  
FMI soon**

**November 11 – Rotary UN Day**

**November 14 – Soup Kitchen – please sign up online.**

**November 18 – Tree Lot Set-up**

**November 26 – 1<sup>st</sup> Tree Unloading**

**December 2 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tree Unloading**

## *What's New With Our Members*

*Happy Birthday to Phil Dube (Oct. 28)*

*Ray Healey was in attendance, super-hydrated, and lookin' good.*

*Interesting factoid - Member Mark Leasure's father (John Leasure) was the architect for the South Portland Public Library currently celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.*

**Football Pool Results and Winning(?) Strategies** – Once again it was hard not to notice Commissioner Chuck Redman's success – or lack of - in the weekly pool. It appeared that many members unwisely listened to the wisdom, methodology, and strategy the Commissioner proffered last week. That resulted in only 4 correct selections and a generally dismal showing by his followers. On the other hand, our president observed the “unexpected happens” while using nothing more than “intuition.” Congratulations to two-time winner Sue Sturtevant with 11 correct picks, providing another opportunity to show off the trophy to her sisters. Nancy Irving is the leader in overall points.

**Winterfest** – Bev Altenburg reports that monthly planning meetings with City of South Portland staff and Winterfest partners are progressing well with about \$15K already donated to the event.

**Bug Light presentation to South Portland City Council** – Jack Roberts spoke on behalf of the club with a contingent of President Sue and three other past presidents to describe our stewardship of Portland Breakwater Lighthouse. Tony Wagner did a brief show-and-tell with samples of the recent replacement of missing capital pieces (acanthus leaves) on the columns. Councilors were effusive in their response, not only concerning Bug Light but also the ongoing dedication and contributions of the club to the entire community. They take great pride in the fact that the lighthouse is on the city seal. You can view the presentation and comments by going here: <http://vp.telvue.com/player?s=spectv> Click on City Council, October 16 meeting. Slide ahead (at bottom of screen) to about minute 60 and see what happened!

**Need some of that “Culture” stuff?** - President Sue may schedule a special viewing for the club of the inaugural exhibition **Dahlov Ipcar's Century** curated by Rachel Walls in the historic Bachelor Officer Quarters at Fort Williams. You will immediately recognize Ipcar's style and children's book illustrations, even if the name doesn't ring a bell. If you are so inclined, click here: <https://www.rachelwallsfineart.com/exhibitions/>



**Member Vocation/Classification Talks:** Members are assigned a classification when they join related to their business and position. A Classification Talk provides a relaxing and enjoyable opportunity to educate your fellow Rotarians about who you are and your vocation. This week we heard from two of our members:

**Sarah Piper (Commercial Loan Officer, Bath Savings Institution, South Portland Branch in Mill Creek).** Sarah is a So Po native, attended Holy Cross School, South Portland High School, and graduated from SMCC with an associate's degree. After six years in the insurance industry, she determined it wasn't



here niche, so she went back to school and received a degree in Finance, all the while working part-time at a branch of Bath Savings. She credits a mentor for encouraging her to apply for a fulltime position months prior to graduation.

Sarah is part of the entire Bath Savings team that presents a culture of “Caring for those around us,” both their customers and co-workers. First as a credit analyst and now a Commercial Loan Officer, she focuses on the best interest of the customer. She listens and analyzes the customer’s dreams and aspirations, and may even offer something other than a loan; for example, making a connection to another place that may better help them. The “caring culture” also extends to her co-workers who provide a less stressful atmosphere, allowing each other to strike a happy work-life balance.

Sarah is delighted to be assigned to the South Portland branch because it allows her to help people in the community she grew up with and where she lives today.



**Patrick Veroneau (professional development coach and trainer, Emery Leadership Group).** Patrick held various sales, marketing, management and training positions in both national and international organizations, and received his Master of Science in Organizational Leadership from Quinnipiac University. His job is to assess the behaviors of leaders and the people they work with to improve individuals and groups and their work environment. He usually gets “hired” through word of mouth referrals, and is rarely called by groups doing well.

Patrick works with both groups and one-on-one through workshops on subjects such as coaching, engagement, teamwork, conflict management, and goal setting. He provided a quick summary of a Shawn Achor-like workshop about “POWER.” Patrick suggested that leaders can benefit by using POWER consistently after 21 days – and establishing this as a pattern of behavior. Not what you might expect! POWER is a mnemonic on how to conduct your day, actions that total less than an hour:

Praise – every morning, jot down three new things you are grateful for.

Others – do something for someone else.

Write – write a short paragraph on what went well today.

Exercise – take ten minutes and do something that gets your heart pumping.

Relax – meditate in a quiet space for 2 minutes at the end of the day.

Patrick credits his interest and ability in conflict resolution with being the youngest sibling of ten...fondly reminiscing about breaking up a fight between two older siblings when he was four – with family photos including him with stitches in his lips to prove it.

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