TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland - Cape Elizabeth March 13, 2019



Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

March 20 – Patsy Murphy, Animal Refuge League March 27 – Curtis Mildner, Mainely Character April 3 – Jesse Harvey, Journey House Recovery April 10 – Deb Nelson, Author

ASSIGNMENTS

Opening Words Raffle Gift Conductor Set Up #1 Set Up #2 March 20 Kubeck Altenburg Callahan Lourie McCoy March 27April 3LeasureLoBoscoD BagdasarianF. BagdasarianConroyDanielsMcDonaldNadirliMeyersO'Shea

Matt McAleney won a gift certificate to Omi's in South Portland courtesy of Nicole Albert.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

March 16, 5-7:30 – Spaghetti Dinner, Cape Lions Club.

March 18, 6-7:30, District Grants Management Seminar, Brunswick Campus of SMCC (editor's note – I have registered to attend if anyone wants to go. It's free and they're feeding us!)

April 6, 8-1 – District Training Assembly, York County Community College, Wells

April 20, 8-3:30 - Rotary Leadership Institute, York County Community College, Wells

June 21-22, 2019 – RotaryFest 2019! District Conference at Fort Williams (Friday work detail 1-5 p.m.) Free event for the whole family – plan to attend!!

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to

- 🛎 Ursula Schmidt (3/21)
- Peter Bennett (3/23)
- 🛎 Marc Mutty (3/23)

And I usually don't include birthdays of non-Rotarian spouses but this year Sue LoBosco has been to more Rotary meetings than most of us so Happy Birthday on March 22 to "First Lady" Sue!

Welcome Back! – This week we welcomed back Denis Landry into the club. Denis had resigned from the club because he was so busy with the many construction projects that his company Landry French is building, as well as being president of Associated General Contractors of Maine. However Tony assured him that under the new attendance requirements it is not necessary to make every meeting, and in fact we would just as soon have busy people as members of our club, even if it means they have to miss meetings sometimes. So this week we welcomed Denis back into the club. Denis and his partner Cathy moved to Scarborough a few years ago which is why he transferred to our club from the Auburn-Lewiston Club where he was a past president. Welcome back, Denis!



<u>Camp Susan Curtis</u> – And speaking of Denis, the timing of his re-induction couldn't have worked out better for our speaker Terri Mulks from Camp Susan Curtis, because she was able to highlight Denis and his company as loyal supporters of the camp. Terri has 25 years of experience with non-profit camps and at-risk youth, and has been the director of Camp Susan Curtis since 2010. She told about how the camp was originally founded – friends of former

Governor Ken Curtis and his wife wanted to make donations in memory of their daughter Susan who died at age 11 from cystic fibrosis. They looked around and noticed that there are over 200 camps in Maine but it's almost all kids "from away" who attend the camps. So they founded a camp for economically disadvantaged kids – all of them from Maine.

Over 500 kids attend Camp SC each summer, at a cost of about \$1,200 per camper – but the camp is free to the campers. Our own Mike Geneseo is a board member of the Susan L. Curtis Foundation.

One school referral partner observed: "Our students return from Camp Susan Curtis more independent, confident and willing to try something new. Our students live in a high poverty community and do not get the opportunity to attend camp. This is such a valuable opportunity for our students who participate." Many of us were blown away by the statistic that **100%** of the students who attend the camp for 4 years graduate from high school!

Campers come from all over the state and are selected by the schools. There are typically 3-7 students from SP and 1 or 2 from CE who attend the camp.

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