

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

May 1, 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:

May 8 – Kate Wallace, The Resilience Hub
May 15 – Lee Patenaude, Bath Rotary Club, International Project
May 22 – Sheila Rollins, Rotaract service trip to Puerto Rico
May 29 – Club Assembly

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>May 8</u>	<u>May 15</u>	<u>May 22</u>
Opening Words	McKenna	Meyers	Mutty
Raffle Gift	Butler	Daniels	Danielson
Conductor	Desmond	Dube	Egner
Set Up #1	Wagner	Sturtevant	Vachon
Set Up #2	Sprague	Swift-Kayatta	Veroneau

Bill Daviero contrived to have our guest Kathy Raftice draw his ticket as the winner of a gift certificate to Legion Square Market (Smaha's) – NOT an all-expense paid trip to the Kentucky Derby as he had been advertising in a flagrant violation of "Is it the truth?"

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

May 11 – 9 a.m., 20 Gooch Street, Biddeford – Crutches4Africa loading – see below.

May 18 – Bug Light Kite Festival; Bug Light will be open for tours

May 20 (Monday) – Seniors Lunch at McKernan Center, SMCC. Kathy Cotter is coordinating. Rumor has it that this event is so popular that there is a 30-person waiting list!

May 29 – Antique Car Show at Bug Light (open for tours)

June 15 – Family Fun Day, Fort Williams Park

June 21-22, 2019 – RotaryFest 2019! District Conference at Fort Williams. Free event for the whole family – plan to attend!! Register online at District 7780 webpage.

June 30 – Cape Elizabeth Land Trust Art for Preservation (we will help park cars)

What's New With Our Members

Way to go, Sue Sturtevant for your entertaining and informative article about the “Book Nook” in this month’s district newsletter!

Welcome back, Paul Butler (from Florida) and Bill Anderson (from taking care of Diane who is recovering nicely from back surgery).

As noted above in the raffle news, we welcomed Cape Elizabeth Community Services and Ft. Williams Director Kathy Raftice as our guest this week.

Scholarships! – Nicole and Kathy Cotter interviewed 6 students from South Portland High School last week and 4 from Cape Elizabeth High School this week. They had ten potential scholarships that the club could award and serendipitously all ten students they interviewed were deemed to be worthy scholarship recipients, making their decision incredibly easy!!

HospitalityMaine – The last time we saw our speaker Terry Hayes she was running for governor. Since that was not successful, she found another way to give back to Maine and help with one of our critical issues, the dearth of qualified workers. She started three months ago as the Director of Workforce Development for Hospitality Maine (which was the result of the merger of Maine Restaurant Association and Maine Innkeepers Association). During those three months her mission has been to sign up businesses as worksites for apprentices. And now that she has secured 31 potential worksites, her next goal is to help find apprentice candidates for those sites. She sees her role as the apprenticeships roll out as a bridge (aka buffer) between the businesses and the Department of Labor, to reduce the bureaucratic issues for the businesses. After fulfilling the hours of work and classroom learning requirements, the apprentices will earn credentials as either line cooks or hospitality service specialists. After these first two apprenticeship tracks are on their feet, Terry hopes to expand the program to other credentials in the hospitality industry.

Disaster Response Fund – The Rotary Foundation has just announced that it has created a Disaster Response Fund. Anyone can make a specific donation to the Disaster Response Fund

and it will count towards the club's (and district's) annual giving, as well as count towards Paul Harris points. The money in the Fund will be available for grants to districts affected by disasters for their own projects or to assist disaster relief agencies. Note that when contributing to the Disaster Response Fund, you cannot designate your donation for a specific disaster.

Our club's mechanism for donating to disaster relief has been its longstanding support of ShelterBox. ShelterBox is currently providing housing in Malawi, Syria, the Philippines, Somaliland, Ethiopia, Iraq, the Republic of Congo and the Lake Chad Basin – as a result of conflict, flooding, drought and tropical storms. We will have the opportunity to see three ShelterBox tents set up at the District Conference aka RotaryFest on June 22 at Ft. Williams. No promises but they are also trying to get an actual “box” as well, with all the cooking utensils, bedding, tools, toys and on and on that are crammed into each box.

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