TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland - Cape Elizabeth February 12 2020



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:

February 19 – Duane Hopkins, South Portland Food Cupboard (meet in banquet room) February 26 – Katie Spotz, USCG, American Adventurer

ASSIGNMENTS

	February 19	February 26	March 4
Opening Words	Danielson	Daviero	DeGennaro
Raffle Gift	Vachon	Veroneau	Wagner
Conductor	Veroneau	Vachon	Yerxa
Set Up & Breakdown #1	Geneseo	Hawes	Hobbs
Set Up & Breakdown #2	Greene	Healey	Irving

Nicole Albert won a gift certificate to CSalt Gourmet courtesy of Anne Swift-Kayatta.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

February 15 – Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner (5-7:30 p.m.)

February 20 – District World Understanding & Peace Dinner, Portland Sheraton at Sable Oaks – register on District 7780 website.

February 22 (Saturday), 7-9 – 2nd Annual Wine Tasting to benefit South Portland Food Cupboard at St. Maximilian Kolbe Hall, 150 Black Point Road, Scarborough, Tickets \$20

February 29, 8:30 - noon - District Growth Workshop, Freeport Community Center

March 8 – Lions Club Pancake Breakfast (7:30 – 11)

March 10 (Tuesday) – SP-CE Rotarians at the Mariners! Dave Bagdasarian will send info about the details.

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to Nancy Irving (Feb. 13) Anne Marie McCoubrey (Feb. 13) Laurenz Schmidt (Feb. 18) David Lourie (Feb. 21)

Happy Anniversary to Chuck & Melissa Redman (Feb. 12)

Ongoing get well wishes to Tim Butterworth as he begins the rehab process again, following a second surgery to insert a shunt in his brain on January 14.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Past Presidents Peter and Kathy Cotter as they meet with hospice workers due to the deterioration of Peter's condition.

<u>Some Grumpy Old Men</u> – No, not at Rotary, at the theater! Patty Sprague gave us a preview of the upcoming Theater Night on Thursday, June 4 at Lyric Music Theater in South Portland. The show, Grumpy Old Men, will be sponsored by Hobbs Funeral Home, which means that ticket sale proceeds can be used to donate towards prevention and treatment of substance use disorder. More details to be announced in future – please let Patty know if you'd like to help out with the planning!

<u>The REAL Election</u> – Apparently there's an election on March 3 about something or other, but the election that really counts is on February 26 at SP-CE Rotary. However unlike the March 3 election, everyone in the Rotary election will be a winner! Here is a primer on our club governance for new members (and everyone else).

Who Makes up the Board? – The board consists of 11 members: the President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, 5 "Avenue of Service" directors and the Past President. Each year we elect all of the board members EXCEPT the President-Elect automatically becomes president, and the immediate past president is automatically an at large member for one year. It is traditional for the Vice President to move into the President-Elect position the following year and then become President the following year (but the bylaws do not require that).

How are Board Members Selected? – The nominating committee is made up of the 5 most recent past presidents, and the immediate past president chairs the committee. The bylaws say that the committee should make its nominations by the week before Thanksgiving (although due to difficulties in filling the slots, the process has been delayed the past 2 years). When these

nominations are made by the committee, club members have the opportunity to also nominate "from the floor." There are no qualifications stipulated for any of the board positions, so the nominating committee asks the individuals whom it feels are most qualified.

When Does the Election Take Place? – The bylaws indicate that the club should hold the election of officers and directors at an "annual meeting" in the first week of December, i.e. two weeks after nominations. So since we heard the Nominating Committee report last night, our election will take place in two weeks, i.e. February 26.

What is the current open position? The club elects 5 directors, and then it is up to the President and the directors themselves to determine who will chair which avenue of service. As you can see in the report that David sent you, that discussion has already taken place (i.e. who will do what) and we are short someone to fill the position of Youth Services Director. Which seems odd because that sounds like the most fun position! Here is the description of that position from the bylaws:

This director, along with his/her committees, should develop and implement projects that support youth and young adults. This director is also responsible for engaging younger members of the Club for purposes of team building of that group.

There are already strong committees in the club to work with youth, and many people express an interest in working with youth when they join, so it should be a pleasure to serve as Youth Services Director.

Personal Note – Thank you to all the individuals who have stepped up to the plate to serve on the board next year, especially those in the president track (Mike G, Bags, Jim Britt) – you will help us continue to have a strong club. Personally I was honored to be on the board and then president of this club – we have a really great club!!!!

Emptying the Cans – And here's just one example of what a great club we are. We emptied the polio cans last night and took out \$102 – just from club members dropping in a dollar now and then in the past 5 months. Thank you all – every little bit helps! And to remind you why we do it, here is a drawing by Naym Khan, a 12-year-old boy with polio in India, imagining saying good bye to polio (from Rotary and the Gift of a Polio-Free World by Sarah Gibbard Cook).



ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH PORTLAND/CAPE ELIZABETH, MAINE

<u>Officers</u> President – David Lourie President-Elect – Michael Geneseo Secretary – Kathy Cotter Treasurer – Nicole Albert

Directors

Club Administration – Bev Altenburg Youth Services – Matt McAleney Community Services – David McKenna International Services/Foundation – Chuck Redman Membership – Laurenz Schmidt Director-At-Large – Fran Bagdasarian

<u>Committee Chairs</u> Visibility Co-Chairs – Marc Mutty & Matt McAleney Webmaster – Jim Britt Bulletin Editor – Nancy Hawes Program Chair – David Bagdasarian

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