

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
January 15, 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:

January 22 – Mike Merrill, Volunteers of America NNE Veterans Services
January 29 – WFest Kickoff Party! At 5:30 (NOTE TIME CHANGE)
February 5 – Jonathan Sahrbeck, Cumberland Count District Attorney
February 12 – Club “Assembly” – future planning; all club members should attend

NOTE RE PURPOODOCK – *Contrary to what was announced last week – and many of you paid attention! – we will not be meeting in the Fireside Room until February. So next week and the week after we will still be in our usual meeting room.*

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>January 22</u>	<u>February 5</u>	<u>February 12</u>
Opening Words	Cotter	Daniels	Danielson
Raffle Gift	Sprague	Sturtevant	Swift-Kayatta
Conductor	V Schmidt	Sprague	Sturtevant
Set Up & Breakdown #1	Davidson	DeGennaro	Egner
Set Up & Breakdown #2	Daviero	Dube	Frustaci

Michele Danois won the raffle gift of a gift certificate to Verbena donated by Virginia.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

January 18 – Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner

February 1 – **WINTERFEST!** Events at 4 different locations around South Portland!!!

February 20 – District World Understanding & Peace Dinner, Portland Sheraton at Sable Oaks

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

What's New With Our Members

Our sincere condolences to Bob & Judy Knupp on the death of Judy's mom - at the age of 101!

Our thoughts are with the Butterworth family who are dealing with yet another setback that Tim experienced in December; he had surgery last week to alleviate fluid pressure in his brain and the family is hopeful that he will soon regain the progress he was making in November before the setback.

Peter Bennett knows a young Peace Corps Volunteer who served in Rwanda and visited the library that is the focal point of this month's Rotarian magazine - Peter highly recommends reading the articles on Rwanda.

Congratulations to the following who have Rotary anniversaries in January (according to Clubrunner anyway!)

- ★ Michael Scott - one week*
- ★ AnneMarie McCoubrey - 1 year*
- ★ Nicole Albert - 3 years*
- ★ Mike Geneseo - 3 years*
- ★ Fran Bagdasarian - 5 years*
- ★ Doug Schauf - 7 years*
- ★ Alec Livingston - 8 years (I don't believe this includes his previous membership period, during which he was club president)*
- ★ Peter Bennett - 8 years (including his former club)*
- ★ Matt McAleney - 20 years (not sure Clubrunner is correct on this because Matt had a hiatus)*
- ★ Dan Davidson - 34 years (including a former club)*
- ★ Joe Conroy - 35 years*
- ★ Peter DeGennaro - 40 years (includes prior club; not sure if this is continuous?)*
- ★ Dick Yerxa, who was just a teenager when he joined - 58 YEARS!!*

Thank you to Commissioner Chuck Redman who gave an extra large happy dollar contribution to make up for the fact that we were having too much fun to have happy dollars last week.

WinterFest Summary – Doug Schauf recapped some WinterFest history, described some changes this year, summarized our role in WinterFest and reviewed the volunteer positions that we can sign up for on the website.

- ❄️ This is the 8th year of WinterFest. Some at my table questioned this figure so I looked it up: the first WinterFest was in 2012 led by Dan Mooers, and held in conjunction with our 50th anniversary. Due to lack of snow, we were not enthusiastic about repeating the event so there was no WinterFest in 2013. However the following year the city approached us and asked us to hold it again in collaboration with them and we agreed. So there has been a WinterFest each year since 2014.
- ❄️ WinterFest will be held one week later this year (i.e. Super Bowl weekend), in hopes that it will give us a greater likelihood of snow.
- ❄️ WinterFest will be ONE DAY ONLY (Saturday, February 1) - and it will be in 4 LOCATIONS! Some fun events have been added such as geocaching and dog sled rides!
- ❄️ The City did all the planning for the event this year – our jobs are fundraising, marketing and volunteering on the day of the event.
 - ❄️ Fundraising – we have \$45,800 in revenue/pledges this year. This makes a cumulative total for the 8 years of a hair shy (accounting term) of \$300,000, and our cumulative net income will be slightly under \$200,000. Thank you to our fantastic sales team!
 - ❄️ Marketing – there are currently about 1,800 followers of the WinterFest Facebook page! Doug and Tony have done a radio interview about Rotary and WinterFest – Doug will send out a link. Please snap pictures at the event with your phone and send them to Doug so he can use them in future promotional materials.
 - ❄️ Volunteering at the event – **online signup is now open – please sign up to help out.** These are fun shifts to work because the kids who participate are having so much fun!
- ❄️ PARTY! – this year’s party is just for us and a handful of major sponsors. It is a celebration of our hard work at both WinterFest and the tree sale. Please feel free to bring a guest and come with your dancing shoes on (actually no, there won’t be music but you could dance anyway if you want to). **Please sign up online so Bev can give Purpoodock a headcount.**

WE WANT SCORE-O! – We all know that Score-O is truly the heart of WinterFest and really, the reason that everyone turns out – after all, just look at the top right picture in this year’s poster:



And even Slugger loves to play!



So the club members were devastated to learn that this year's planning committee had eviscerated WinterFest by banning Score-O from the schedule. But never fear – Score-O champions Phil Dube and Ray Healey, assisted by Tara Lipinski wannabe Nancy Hawes are determined to be renegades and hold their own black market Score-O contest at this year's WinterFest! Score-O Lives!!



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