

# TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

May 6, 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 Dates:

**May 9, 10 a.m.** – District International Service Committee Zoom Meeting (see DG Andy’s 5/4 email for Zoom link).

**May 13 (Wednesday) 5:30 p.m.** – Portland Sunrise Club will be hosting RI President Mark Maloney and we’re all invited! See email from Ann Lee Hussey for Zoom link.

***NOTE – OUR CLUB WILL NOT MEET ON OUR OWN NEXT WEEK IN ORDER TO GIVE EVERYONE A CHANCE TO PARTICPATE IN THE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MALONEY.***

**May 20** – Speaker from Poland Spring Water

**May 27** - Humorist Dave Norman

**June 20-26** – Rotary Connects the World – RI Virtual Convention

*Opening Words: Bob Knupp – who happens to be our club protection officer – thought it would be appropriate to remind us of the Rotarian Code of Conduct:*

## **As a Rotarian, I will:**

- ❖ Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life.
- ❖ Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect.
- ❖ Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people’s quality of life in my community and in the world.
- ❖ Avoid behaviour that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians.
- ❖ Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

## What's New With Our Members

*Our sincerest condolences to the family and friends of Bill Chadwick of the Westbrook-Gorham Rotary Club, tragically killed in a motorcycle accident last weekend.*

*Congratulations to Katelyn Estes who found a buyer for her house in Lisbon Falls, AND she traded in her car for a more reliable one.*

*Congratulations and thank you to all nurses, including Becca Ivey-Geneseo, Diane Anderson and any others our club is connected with.*

*Like a magnet, Paul Butler seems to attract rumors. Recently it was the one that he had died, and now apparently there's one that he was hospitalized with the virus. Thankfully both are completely unfounded.*

**Visitors This Week** – We were joined this week by former member Bill York and Tori Russell, daughter of the late Jim Russell who was a long-time member of our club. Unfortunately Bill seemed to have connection issues so we couldn't get an update from him. For newer members, Tori is a RYLA alumna and was active in Interact at CEHS. She was also our club co-bulletin editor because her dad was the bulletin editor but he couldn't type so she typed the bulletin for him when she was in high school. She is now working in the Development Office of a private school in Brooklyn and currently working from home in Manhattan.



**POPCORN!** – At last week’s meeting, it was suggested that we contact the South Portland Nursing Home to see how we could help them. Mike G’s wife Becca works there so she was able to relay to us that the top of their wish list was a popcorn machine. During this time of isolation, they are trying their hardest to brighten the days of the residents and popcorn, along with the emotional memories attached to the smell, goes a long way toward doing just that. The board approved the purchase of a popcorn machine and it was scheduled to be delivered yesterday, just in time for “drive-in movie night” this weekend.



**Scholarships** – Our club’s Scholarship Committee identified ten worthy graduating high school seniors to receive our club’s scholarships. They were very impressed with the quality of all of the applicants, but especially with these ten. Thanks so much to the committee – Kathy Cotter, Nicole Albert and Katelyn Estes – for all your hard work in conducting the Zoom interviews.

**SafeBAE** – We had three speakers this week from SafeBAE (the BAE stands for Before Anyone Else), a national organization based locally which educates middle and high school students about sexual assault and harassment. One of our speakers, Shael Norris, was one of the co-founders in 2015 and is the only adult currently connected with the organization. Our other two speakers were Aela Mansmann, an incoming junior at SPHS, and Ari Zeitlin, a CEHS graduate and freshman at St. Lawrence College. They spoke about the organization’s Consent Summits. The first was held last year at SMCC and they were hoping to duplicate it this spring. However like all plans, they had to be rearranged and the summit planners quickly shifted into online mode and held a summit last week for over 500 students. Next year they are planning summits in Maine, Virginia and New Mexico.

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