

# TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth  
November 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:

November 20 – Club Assembly (tree sale!)  
November 27 – Thanksgiving Eve – NO MEETING  
December 4 – Jenn McAdoo, Furniture Friends  
December 11 – Briana Warner, Atlantic Sea Farms

## ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>November 20</u>	<u>December 4</u>	<u>December 11</u>
Opening Words	F Bagdasarian	Bennett	Britt
Raffle Gift	Riemensnider	Roberts	Schauf
Conductor	Redman	Riemensnider	Roberts
Set Up #1	Yerxa	Altenburg	D Bagdasarian
Set Up #2	Albert	Anderson	F Bagdasarian

*Paul Butler was the lucky (???) raffle winner. However he hasn't actually won anything yet. Hopefully this week's raffle donor will produce a prize for Paul.*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**November 23** – Tree sale setup at Mill Creek Park

**November 23, 9-11 a.m.** – Loading the 10<sup>th</sup> container of mobility devices from our district for Crutches4Africa. At 20 Gooch Street in Saco. Wear old clothes!

**November 29 (Friday) until ????** – TREE SALE! Please sign up online.

## What's New With Our Members

*No member birthdays or anniversaries over Thanksgiving, but here are the December Rotary Anniversaries:*

7 years:

*Dave McKenna*

16 years:

*Joan Frustaci*

22 years:

*Frank Butterworth*

*Congratulations to All!!!*

*Congratulations to new grandparents Kathy & Peter Cotter. Their son's foster child Romeo (whom many of us have met at Rotary events) is being adopted next week!!*

*Our sympathies to the family and friends of former member Bob Porter who passed away this week. Visitation will be Friday (11/15) from 4-7 at Hobbs.*

**Did Ray H-E-A-L-E-Y Have a Point??** – Ray got his spelled-out last name “nickname” from Commissioner Chuck following Ray’s complaints in the first year about the integrity of the football pool. Well, the results for Week 10 showed us that maybe we should have thought through the rules a little more. Because what happened was that no less than FIVE autopick participants had the most correct picks. However since there was more than one person with 9 and 8 correct picks and there was NO TIEBREAKER, Associate Commissioner Jim saw no choice but to award the trophy to someone who had 7 correct picks. Namely either Chuck or Jack, and Chuck had the closest number of points in the tiebreaker.

HOWEVER the saga continues.... Jim realized that he had erroneously entered Jack Roberts as an autopick for Week 9, but Jack has a season-long “standing order” (who knew you could do that!) for all home team winners, except when the Patriots are away. Based on that thoughtful analysis, it turns out that Jack should have won Week 9. But rather than invalidate Peter Bennett’s Week 9 win, Jim gave the trophy to Jack for Week 10 (since Chuck wasn’t there to receive it anyway - proving Woody Allen’s adage that 90% of success is showing up).

THE TAKEAWAY – If you anticipate that you could possibly miss a week between now and the end of the season and be entered as an autopick, please submit a points number to Jim that he can use as your tiebreaker entry for the rest of the season.

**Vet to Vet Maine** – How fitting that we follow up Veteran’s Day with a program about a brand new organization that serves veterans. Bob Knupp introduced his friend and fellow Cumberland resident Tom Gruber. Tom is an Army veteran who is on the board of several organizations, as well as serving as a town councilor in Cumberland for 9 years. He is the Vice President of Vet2Vet and has been with them since its inception as a program of the Southern Maine Area Agency on Aging. They realized that the program had the capacity to serve more than just aging veterans so they spun off recently as their own charity.

Vet2Vet pairs veterans of all ages – but primarily elderly veterans and veterans adjusting to civilian life – with trained veteran volunteers. The volunteers visit their assigned veteran at least twice a month and provide companionship, offer assistance with benefits, and support independent living. Tom told us that he had been assigned to two World War II veterans (one was a driver for General Patton!) and is waiting to meet a third veteran who has been assigned to him.

Vet2Vet currently serves 70 veterans in Cumberland County, but the organization hopes to expand statewide.



**Dining Table Decorations** – As you probably know, we have “red bags” and “polio cans” on our tables every week at Purpoodock. For those not familiar with what goes in these, here’s a rundown:

- ★ Polio cans – pretty self-explanatory. This is for your spare change or paper money and is sent in to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) for polio eradication a couple times a year.
- ★ Red bags – this money is also sent to The Rotary Foundation, but much more frequently and the money goes to the Annual Fund. There are blank envelopes in the red bags that you can put your cash in and write your name on the envelope. The money will be submitted to TRF under your name, and you should receive a receipt from TRF shortly after it’s sent in.

Note that there was \$45 cash in the bags with no name attached (a 20, a 10 and three 5’s) – if you put this in, let me know so you can get credit for it. (But remember the 4-Way Test #1 – Is it the truth? – I don’t want to hear from all of you that it was yours!)

Other ways to give – hand me a check made out to The Rotary Foundation and I’ll send it in under your name. Or just go to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) to donate online.

**He's nothing if not a good sport!!** Here was our club president sporting a tree costume at this week's meeting. We all have the opportunity to wear the costume on the tree lot – be sure to sign up for your shifts (but you won't HAVE to wear the costume!)



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