

# TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

October 2, 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:**

October 9 – Jenn McAdoo, Furniture Friends

October 16 – The Rotary Foundation

October 23 – Club Assembly

October 30 – Tom Groening

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

	<u>October 9</u>	<u>October 16</u>	<u>October 23</u>
Opening Words	Wagner	Yerxa	Albert
Raffle Gift	Meyers	Mutty	Nadirli
Conductor	McKenna	Meyers	Mutty
Set Up #1	Riemensnider	Schauf	U Schmidt
Set Up #2	Roberts	L Schmidt	V Schmidt

*Lucky Laurenz Schmidt (see below for additional winnings!) won a gift certificate to Ocean House Market donated by Dave McKenna.*

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

**October 18, 5:30** – Barbecue at Bill Daviero's house. More details to come later.

**November 7, 6 p.m.** – New Member Dinner at Bagdasarians. More details to come later.

## What's New With Our Members

*Happy Birthday to Bob Danielson - Oct. 15*

*Rotary Anniversaries this Month:*

- ★ *Jim Britt - 6 years*
- ★ *Nancy Irving - 9 years*
- ★ *Denis Landry - 10 years (plus more when he was in Auburn)*
- ★ *Sybil Riemensnider - 11 years*
- ★ *Nancy Hawes - 28 years*
- ★ *Mike McGovern - 33 years*
- ★ *Tony Wagner = 37 years*

*Ongoing get well wishes for Tim Butterworth - our thoughts are with the whole Butterworth family - we miss you!*

**A Serious Topic** – Our speaker this week was our District Protection Officer Gregg Dowty. Gregg noted that unfortunately his topic was pretty heavy, but in spite of that his talk was very interesting and engaging. Gregg is the retired Executive Director of a children's home in Pennsylvania, as well as Good Will-Hinckley in Maine. So he already had considerable experience in policies and procedures that organizations need in order to prevent abuse of children. Gregg is President-Elect of the Dover Rotary Club, but he was quick to point out that although he belongs to a New Hampshire Rotary club, he is a "Maine-iac!" Gregg explained the commonalities in the abuse that occurred at Penn State, in the Boy Scouts of America and in the Catholic Church. If abuse could occur in such well-respected organizations, we would be naïve to think that it couldn't occur in Rotary. This is why our district has focused so much attention on prevention policies in the past few years. The district protection committee was charged with re-writing our district policy and made sure that it was grounded in the 4-Way Test. Note that our club is very capably represented on the District Protection Committee by Nicole Albert and Bob Knupp, and former member Marge Barker.

**SPCE at Rotary Rocks** – Our club was well represented at the District Conference – Rotary Rocks - yesterday by these participants (in the order that I saw them - I hope I didn't miss anyone!):

- Past District Governor John LoBosco (who got back to sit back & relax!)
- Tony Wagner
- Sue Sturtevant
- Past District Governor Marge Barker (well, she's not in our club anymore but we can still claim her!)
- Bob Knupp

- Nicole Albert
- Bill Anderson
- Commissioner Chuck Redman
- Michele Danois
- Sari Greene
- Patty Sprague
- Nancy Hawes

And in addition to these participants who got to sit back and heckle, we were also represented by Patrick Veroneau who looked like an experienced TED talker on the stage, giving a presentation about leadership and relationships (that involved analogies to bridges).

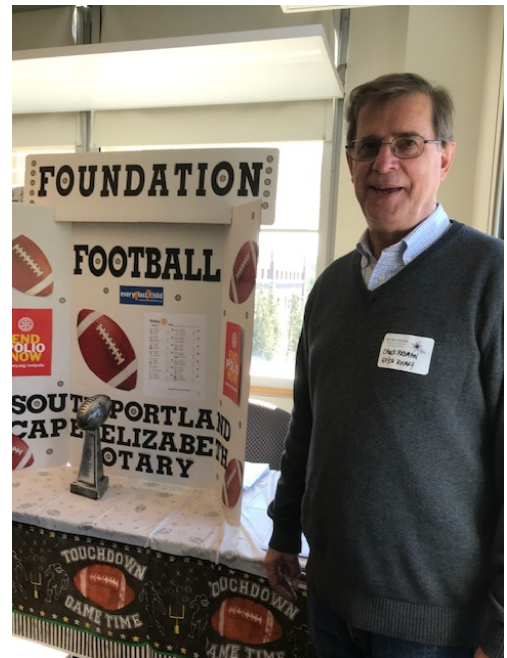
*Fun Fact #1 – Did you know that in his professional life, Patrick goes by Pat V.?*

*Fun Fact #2 – Did you know that the middle of the Golden Gate Bridge varies in height by as much as 16 feet per day due to temperature variations?*

Our club was also recognized as a “gold” sponsor of the conference (the only club with that designation).



**Even a Blind Rooster Occasionally Finds a Grain** – This is Laurenz’s explanation of how he won the football pool for Week 4. Kathy Cotter (actually I think it was Peter ☺) again tied for most correct picks (10) but Laurenz won the tie-breaker. Which proves that you can win the football pool no matter how much you don’t know and don’t care about football – congratulations, Laurenz! And speaking of our pool, we had a display to share this fundraising idea with other clubs at Rotary Rocks. Shown below is Commissioner Chuck manning the display. (Thanks to Sue Sturtevant who took the conference photos in this bulletin.)



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