

TWO LIGHTS

**Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
May 19, 2021**



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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 25 – Board meeting follows regular meeting

June 4-5 – District Conference; see District 7780 website to register; \$20 registration fee donated to PolioPlus!

June 12 – *Please note that the previously advertised fireworks have been cancelled due to the potential fire danger – I guess we don't have to worry about the grass catching on fire when we have them in January!*

June 12-16 – RI Virtual Convention

June 26, 9 a.m. – District “International Café”

July 21 – Lobsterbake – at Fort Williams

OPENING WORDS

May 19: - Mike McGovern spoke about the shutdown of the Scarborough Downs vaccination clinic and the large number of people (around 90k) who got vaxed there in just a few short months. He commented on the progress our state is making in getting everyone vaccinated and said that “we live in a place where people care for each other; we should be proud of what we’ve done as a county and as a state.”

May 26 – Tom Hamerski

June 2 – Mike Tranfaglia

(Reminder – you can sign up for the opening words through the link in Scott's email of May 19 – thank you to those who have signed up – we're all set through June 23.)

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday, Michele Danois (5/31)

Thank you to Dave Bagdasarian who ran the 5/19 meeting for President Mike who was experiencing post-vax #2 "brain fog."

Thank you to Sue Sturtevant who took the beautiful photos at Bug Light in last week's bulletin (sorry I forgot to credit her at the time!)

Guest this week: Kristina McCarthy, Pedro Vazquez (invited by Matt McAleney and Laurenz) and Bill York. Note that Bill and Diane would love to have company and extend an invitation to come visit them on the Isle of Wight – they can accommodate one man or 2 women as overnight guests.

Registration is Open! – The District Conference is coming right up – June 4th (Friday evening) and 5th (Saturday morning). You can register on the District 7780 website:

<https://go.rotary7780gives.org/conference2021>

There is a registration fee of a whopping \$20 – BUT it all goes to PolioPlus!! And another way you can support the Foundation through the conference – and get cool stuff – is to bid on auction items. There will be a virtual auction Friday night but there is already an online auction as well, with proceeds going to the Annual Fund of The Rotary Foundation:

<https://go.rotary7780gives.org/conference2021/Auction>

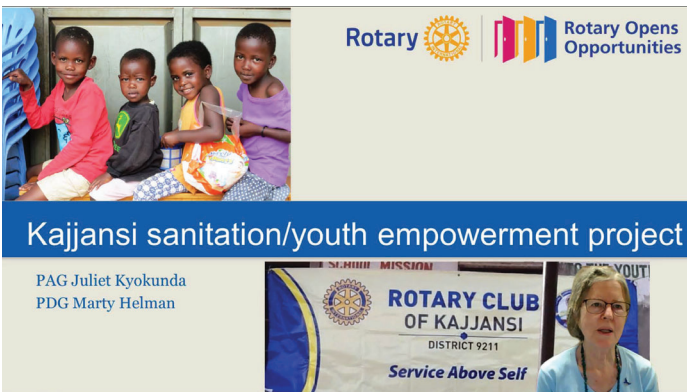
Rules for Success! – Our speaker this week was Marty Helman, who was introduced by Mike McGovern. Marty is a member of the Boothbay Harbor Rotary Club and a Past District Governor. She and her husband Frank head the Otto & Fran Walter Foundation which has just made a donation to The Rotary Foundation of over \$15 million to establish a Rotary Peace Center in the Mideast.




Marty spoke to us about a global grant that our club helped support (we donated \$1,000) to build toilets and plant fruit trees in Uganda. She used the project to illustrate the Rules of Success for Global Grants:

1. A Global Grant should build on an existing relationship between the Rotarians in the Host and International Clubs.
2. The Rotary Foundation requires a Community Assessment for a reason – take it seriously!
3. The project must be “owned” by the local club and local community.
4. Get the various civic and governmental ministries involved – or go home!
5. Make sure your project is culturally appropriate.
6. Include Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, the Environment and Youth Development in everything we do.

Marty skillfully wove in projects from other parts of the world as well in making her points. If you have an interest in learning about other global grant projects that clubs in our district are involved in, check out the International Café on June 26 (see calendar above).



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Kajjansi sanitation/youth empowerment project

PAG Juliet Kyokunda
PDG Marty Helman

ROTARY CLUB OF KAJJANSI
DISTRICT 9211
Service Above Self

Project Funding

<p>RC Kajjansi (Host Club) - \$4350 -- 9211 partner club: Kigo RC: \$3000</p> <p>RC Boothbay Harbor (International Club) - \$2125 7780 partner clubs: -- Bath Sunrise - \$2000 -- Damariscotta Newcastle - \$2000 -- Kennebunk Portside - \$2000 -- South Portland-Cape Elizabeth - \$1000 7870 partner club: Hollis-Brookline RC - \$1000</p>	<p>District 9211 DDF: \$8000 District 7780 DDF: \$8690</p> <p>Requested from World Fund: \$16,690</p> <p>Total finding: \$50,167</p> <p><small>NB: Donation numbers do not add up exactly because of 5% operating fee.</small></p>
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The Proposed Structure- Front view



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PORTLAND/CAPE ELIZABETH, MAINE**

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