

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

July 21, 2021



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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:

July 26, 6 p.m. – Sounds by the Sea concert at Fort Williams – this week: Maine Marimba Ensemble

July 27 – Board meeting via Zoom

July 28 (via Zoom) – Gary Moretti, Mussels in Maine

August 2, 6 p.m. - Sounds by the Sea concert at Fort Williams – this week: Travis Humphrey

August 4 (via Zoom) – Thorn Dickinson, CEO, New England Clean Energy Connect

August 14 – Art in the Park, Mill Creek Park, South Portland. See signup email from Jim Britt.

August 16, 6 p.m. - Sounds by the Sea concert at Fort Williams – this week: Always, Sometimes

August 18 – Official visit by District Governor Dick Hall (tentatively in person - place tbd)

August 23, 6 p.m. - Sounds by the Sea concert at Fort Williams

August 24 – We will open Bug Light for a private tour for a group of students

September 1 – Bug Light will be open for the Car Show

September 11, 9-3 – Maine Open Lighthouse Day

OPENING WORDS

July 21 – Brenda Cressey relayed a story told by Margaret Mead about the signs of civilization, the hallmark of which is helping other people, so... let's all be civilized!

July 28 – Sue Sturtevant

August 4 – Michele Danois

August 11 – Adrienne Murphy

Here is the [link](#) to sign up for future opening words

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to

 Brenda Cressey (7/24)

 Fran Bagdasarlian (7/28)

 Bob Carson (7/29)

 Catherine Callahan (7/30)

Happy Anniversary to President and Past President Dave & Fran Bagdasarlian (7/31)

Feel better, Paul Butler - we missed you last night!

Congratulations to raffle conductor - and WINNER! - Frank Butterworth, who won a gift certificate to Shoppers Hardware!

Only 490 Days Late – We were all set to award Community Paul Harris Fellows on March 18, 2020 to Bob & Linda Ayotte (the “A Team”) in recognition of all they have done for the community. Chuck Redman described all the ways they have donated their service to the community, including their involvement in Catholic Charities of Maine, Wayside Soup Kitchen, Maine Audubon, Friends of Fort Williams, Victoria Mansion, Girls on the Run, Paint for Preservation, and more!. Better late than never though, and this way they got to eat lobster!

Also postponed from March 2020 was the presentation of the memorial Paul Harris Fellow for Annette Kowalski from her son, Dr. David Langdon. Introduced by Tony Wagner, Dave is an honorary member of the club and generous donor to The Rotary Foundation and chose to honor the memory of her spirit of service by a donation to the Foundation.

Back in the Fold! – Last night we re-inducted past president Ellie Speh back into the club, and this time with a bonus: her husband Chris also transferred to our club from his club in Durham, NC where he has been the treasurer until now. For those who hadn't previously met them, their pitching in to help with everything last night (along with their daughter Stephanie) is an example of what great club members they were in the past and will be in the future. The Spehs still live in North Carolina (but while we were shucking corn Stephanie told me that their moving back to Maine is not out of the question – fingers crossed?) so they are our first long-distance members. We have been seeing them at quite a few of our Zoom meetings in the last year and hopefully we'll get the hybrid thing figured out so that we can continue to see them frequently.
WELCOME, WELCOME!!!!



Very Special Guests – I hate to even start listing names because everyone there last night was so very special and it was so fantastic to see you all in person. But there were some dignitaries who should be named; we had with us last night...

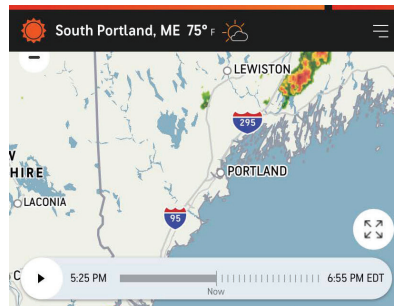
- ★ Our current District Governor Dick Hall from the Portland Club, who assisted with the induction and the Paul Harris Fellow presentations.
- ★ Past District Governor Peggy Belanger who never got to meet with us in person during her year as governor. She acknowledged the accomplishments of Past President Mike Geneseo in leading our club through the past year and presented him with a gift.
- ★ Assistant District Governor Laura Young from the Portland Club.
- ★ Cape Elizabeth Town Manager Matt Sturgis
- ★ Retired Cape Elizabeth Public Works Director (and very good friend of the club) Bob Malley and his wife Becky
- ★ Rose Kennealy, wife of the late Jack Kennealy who was a member of the club

We also saw some club members that we have missed seeing lately and it was wonderful to have them with us:

- ★ Sybil Riemensnider (message to Marc Mutty from Sybil – the birds love the bluebird house you made for her!)
- ★ Frank Butterworth
- ★ Dan & Shirley Mooers
- ★ Dick & Priscilla Yerxa
- ★ Ray & Sue Healey

It was also great to see several spouses, sons, daughters, grandchildren and even a niece (I'd love to name them all but I'd be sure to leave someone out!). It was especially nice to meet the families of our newer members. Let's do it again sometime!!

MANY MANY THANK YOUS – Mainly thank you to Anne Swift-Kayatta for her masterful coordination of the lobsterbake yet again. A big thank you also to Dave Bagdasarian, Jr. for providing the indoor (air-conditioned!) location where we could safely social distance. Despite the absence of the predicted thunderstorms, Anne wanted me to show you that the radar showed that there WERE thunderstorms and we were just lucky that they passed to the north of us. So second-guessing is not allowed!



Basically everyone else helped out but there was a core group that had official duties, which included:

- Jim Britt
- Tom Meyers
- Tony Wagner
- Bob Knupp
- Bob Danielson
- Betty Egner
- Jack Roberts
- Sari Greene
- Kathy Cotter
- Brenda Cressey
- Mike McGovern
- David Lourie
- Adrienne Murphy
- Nancy & Scott Irving
- Chris, Ellie & Stephanie Speh
- Chuck Redman
- John LoBosco
- David Lourie
- Nancy Hawes
- Bill Anderson
- Michele Danois
- Sybil Riemensnider



Kennealy Photo Sale – As mentioned above, Rose Kennealy joined us last night. She has been very busy cleaning out Jack's photography studio and is having a big driveway sale this weekend to sell prints and photographic equipment. Jack's work is familiar and much-admired by many of us. This is a great opportunity to see more of his work and even take some home with you.

Kennealy Photo
studio clearance event
Fri. July 23, 4-7 (photographers & friends)
Sat. July 24, 9-3
Sun. July 25, 10-2
16 High View Road, Cape Elizabeth
Deep discounts on:
Fine art prints, framed, matted, sleeved
Cameras and lenses
Tripods, lights and stands
Softboxes, diffusers and reflectors
Halliburton and Pelican cases
Photo bags and antique cameras
Filters, accessories and books
Studio backdrop system
Call 207-799-1674 (LL) for more information.



Jack Kennealy
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