

# Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth September 1, 2021



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:** 

September 8 – Bug Light will be open 4-6:30 for the Antique Car Show

September 8 – Erik Gunderson, Maine's Approach to Marijuana Sales

September 9 & 10, 4:30 – 6 – Gull Crest Trails project

September 11, 9-3 – Maine Open Lighthouse Day

September 12 – Opening day of SP-CE Rotary NFL Football Pool 2021 (picks due by 10 a.m. Sunday – Thursday games aren't included)

September 15 – Patty Sprague, Maine's Indigenous People

September 29 – Club Assembly

#### **OPENING WORDS**

<u>September 1</u> – Adrienne Murphy gave the opening words. <u>September 8</u> – Ellie Speh

Please sign up for the opening words duty at this <u>*link*</u> or on the club website in the Members Only drop-down menu.

# What's New With Our Members

## Happy Birthday to

- 🋎 Scott Irvíng Sept. 9
- 🛎 Sarí Greene Sept 11

# Happy Anniversary to

🕅 Bob & Alícia Danielson - Sept. 10

## <u>September Rotaversaríes</u>

- > Patty Sprague 3 years
- > Ellie Speh 12 years
- > Ray Healey 27 years
- > Bob Danielson 27 years
- > Dave Bagdasarían 39 years
- > Jack Roberts 46 years!

Departed Paul Harrís Fellows - August saw the passing of two Paul Harrís Fellow associated with our club:

- Henry Adams (who lived to the age of 100!) was awarded a Community Service Above Self award from our club in 2004 for his extensive service to the community in many ways.
- Clare Hawes was honored as a Paul Harris Fellow through a donation to The Rotary Foundation from her daughter. Clare attended 3 Rotary International conventions (Calgary, Indianapolis, Copenhagen)

<u>Welcome DeeDee!</u> – This week we welcomed Edith (Dee Dee) Wacksman to our club as she transfers to us from the Bay City Michigan club where she was a very active member since 2005. Dee Dee is a retired dental hygienist, and she and her husband Rick recently moved to Scarborough. Many of us had already met her as she visited our club both in person and in Zoom a few times over the summer. In the short time that we have gotten to know her, her enthusiasm for service to the community is obvious – we welcome getting to know her better!



Take Me Out to the Ball Park – We had no meeting last week due to our new format of a social activity or service project in lieu of one of our monthly meetings. So for August we went to Hadlock Field to watch the Portland Sea Dogs and more importantly, to socialize with each other! Thank you to Catherine Callahan for arranging the event, even though she herself was out of town and could not attend. If anyone has photos suitable for the bulletin, please send them to me. And if you have ideas for future social gatherings for the club, please forward them to Catherine or Mike Tranfaglia.

<u>SMILE!</u> – Amazon Smile, that is! Remember that you can designate our club to receive 0.5% of your purchases through Amazon. This will not increase your cost and it will benefit our club so please make sure that when you do your online shopping, you're logged in through Amazon Smile. (If you're not already using Amazon Smile, just google it to get set up.) Last year our club earned \$102.11 thanks to shoppers in our club.

<u>Are You Ready for Some Football?</u> – Thank you to Commissioner Jim Britt and former commissioner Chuck Redman who have revived our club's tradition of the Foundation Football pool. We're doing it online this year! See Jim's email for how to enter the pool. The other basic facts are:

- ✤ The entire entrance fee of \$50 goes to The Rotary Foundation to support PolioPlus.
- Donations to PolioPlus are eligible for a 2:1 match from the Gates Foundation i.e. your \$50 entrance fee gets magnified to \$150.
- The pool is not complicated it's simply picking the most winning teams each week.
- There is a weekly winner and a season winner.
- The weekly winner wins bragging rights.
- The season winner gets to take home the "Yorkie" trophy until the next season.
- The easiest way to pay your entrance fee is online at <u>www.rotary.org</u>.
- If you want to pay with a check, you can send it to me and I'll send it in for you OR I can send you a filled-in form so that you get the appropriate credit from RI and you can send it in yourself.
- Picks are due each Sunday at 10 a.m.
- It's not necessary to play every week (but you will have better chances of being a season winner if you play each week).



The Commissioner at his day job

<u>**Polio Update**</u> – I was not at this week's meeting so unfortunately cannot report on fellow Rotarian Chief Bob MacKenzie's presentation about what our district is doing to try to address the opioid crisis. But I thought you might be interested in seeing this chart on the status of polio eradication.

### Where are we today?

Pakistan 2020 -total 842021 - YTD 1Afghanistan 2020 - Total 562021 - YTD 1No girls with Polio this year

Country or territory <sup>3</sup>	Wild virus type 1 confirmed cases							
	Full year total					01 Jan-03 Aug <sup>1</sup>		Date of most
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2020	2021	recent case
Pakistan	20	8	12	147	84	60	1	27-Jan-21
Afghanistan	13	14	21	29	56	34	1	01-Jan-21
Nigeria <sup>3</sup>	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	21-Aug-16
Iran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA
Total (Type 1)	37	22	33	176	140	94	2	
Tot. in endemic countries	37	22	33	176	140	94	2	
Tot. in non-end countries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
No. of countries (infected)	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	
No. of countries (endemic)	2 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup>	3	3	3	2	2	
Total Female	13	7	18	72	59	42		
Total Male	24	15	15	104	81	52	2	

What's that mark on your arm, Mama? It's my smallpox vaccine Scar why don't I have one Because it worked .

#### ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH PORTLAND/CAPE ELIZABETH, MAINE

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