

TWO LIGHTS

**Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
February 15, 2023**



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*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:

February 18, 5-7:30 – Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner at Lions Clubhouse, 1 Wheeler Road, CE
\$12 Adults, \$6 Children under 12. Dine-In all-you-can-eat, or Take Out. Contact
lionsclubceme@gmail.com to reserve meals.

February 21, 5-7 – Fighting Indians, A Film Screening and Conversation – see separate info.

February 22 – No Meeting

February 23, 5:30 – 7:30 – South Portland Food Cupboard Food Processing

March 1-10 – Maine Restaurant Week

March 4, 5:45 – **FIREWORKS!** (Volunteers needed to help with parking – see signup email)

March 4 – Next District 7780 “DISC Café” (International Service) on Zoom

April 6 – Theater Night at Lyric Theater. Proceeds of the show “Curtains, the Musical Comedy Whodunit” will benefit the District 7780 Recovery Initiative. You can order tickets [here](#).

April 15, 8-3 – District Training Assembly at Westbrook High School

March 1 Duties

Opening Words – Gabrielson
Raffle Gift – Redman
Meeting Room Setup – – *please sign up*
OWL Operation – Albert

March 8 Duties

Opening Words – Egner
Raffle Gift – Roberts
Meeting Room Setup – – *please sign up*
OWL Operation – Wagner

Opening Words – Phil Dube quoted from Mother Teresa’s comments at the 1981 Rotary Convention in Sao Paolo:

“If we really want to love, if we really want to live, we must love until it hurts... No Rotarian whose motto is Service Above Self, I think, should call himself a Rotarian if he does not make time to serve... If we love, we begin to serve. And this is where that beautiful motto that the Rotarians have made this year begins: Take Time to Serve.”

What’s New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to

🍰 Laurenz Schmidt - Feb. 18

🍰 David Lourie - Feb. 21

🍰 Dick Yerxa - March 5

Congratulations to Paul Butler who won the raffle gift certificate to SoPo Seafoods donated by Hannah Olshansky!

Congratulations to Nancy Irving, who won a floral bouquet at the district’s Midyear Dinner - this turned out to be both a valentine’s and birthday gift for Nancy!

Guests – We were joined by Maynard Jackson (at one time a member of the Dover Rotary Club) and Sam Wilkens-O’Brien.

New Committee!! – Community Service Director Kiley Wilkens-O’Brien announced that the club is forming a new Elder Services Committee. Please let Kiley know if you’re interested in serving on this committee – you can get in on the ground floor!



WHO KNEW!! – Kathy Cotter’s and my minds were blown by this week’s program, and no doubt others were also. Shane Albert was introduced by Kiley who said that he and his company are doing “earth-saving work.” Shane is the COO of Agri-Cycle, a company whose headquarters are in Scarborough but the cool part of their operation takes place in Exeter, Maine (so the first thing I learned was that there is a town in Maine called Exeter). The company started out at Stonyvale dairy farm, where they constructed digesters to convert the methane from the manure of their 2000+ cows into energy. In 2013 they added a much larger digester and formed Agri-Cycle Energy, a food waste collection company. Agri-cycle collects and disposes of 3 million pounds of food waste every week from businesses such as Hannaford, Dunkin Donuts, Oakhurst, Giffords, Trader Joe’s, Price Chopper, many breweries, etc. The company has a “de-packer” which allows them to accept packaged food waste (except for glass containers). The end products of the depacker and digester process are energy, fertilizer and bedding for animals – with ZERO waste going to landfills. Shane closed his presentation with a quote from Robert Swan – “The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it.”



Bob’s February Rotary Magazine Quiz

1. How much did the Rotary Club of Berry, Australia raise by climbing Mt. Cho Oyo in Nepal for End Polio Now?
 - a. \$575
 - b. \$325,000
 - c. \$200,000
 - d. Nothing – they did not get to the top
2. How many community theaters are there in the U.S.?
 - a. 675
 - b. 2,000
 - c. 6,000
 - d. 8,250
3. What are the key words for the Four Way Test?
 - a. Is, Fair, Build, Concern
 - b. True, Fair, Better, Beneficial
 - c. Truth, Fair Goodwill, Beneficial
 - d. Concerned, Fair, Goodwill, Beneficial

4. How many bicycles has World Bicycles Relief donated since its founding in 2005?
- a. 48,000
 - b. 2,500
 - c. 85,000
 - d. 684,000

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