

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

July 13, 2022



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ROTARY**

*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 18 – Sounds by the Sea – Sonja and Good Friends, Ft. Williams Picnic Shelter

July 20 – Lobsterbake! See you at Fort Williams Picnic Shelter

July 25 – Sounds by the Sea – the Earthtones, Ft Williams Picnic Shelter

July 27 – Margo Walsh, Wes Salvucci, John Bouchard – MaineWorks & the Maine Recovery Fund

July 28 – South Portland Food Cupboard Donation Processing

August 1 – Sounds by the Sea – Joan Kennedy Trio, Ft. Williams Bandstand

August 3 – Kate McCarty – Portland Food: The Culinary Capital of Maine

August 8 – Sounds by the Sea – The Katie Oberholtzer Septet – Ft. Williams Bandstand

August 13 – Art in the Park! Mill Creek Park

July 20 Duties

Opening Words – Tranfaglia

Raffle Gift – Frustaci

July 27 Duties

Opening Words – Swift-Kayatta

Raffle Gift – Gabrielson

Meeting Room Setup – *please sign up!*

OWL Operation – *please sign up!*

Opening Words – Sue Sturtevant shared these words from John Burroughs:

“I still find each day too short for all the thoughts I want to think, all the walks I want to take, all the books I want to read, and all the friends I want to see.”

“For anything worth having one must pay the price; and the price is always work, patience, love, self-sacrifice – no paper currency, no promises to pay, but the gold of real service.”

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday (belated) to Bob Hanson, who announced that he was 91 years old on July 9!

Happy 50th! Anniversary to Phil & Claudette Dube on July 22!!!!

Congratulations to our two guest speakers who shared the raffle prize of a gift card to Bayside Bowl donated by Sarah Fisher!

OPPORTUNITIES!!!

WE need help with several activities this summer. Please consider:

- ✓ Volunteering to help with the **meeting setup** (this is very easy and takes only a few short minutes)
- ✓ Volunteering to help with the **OWL operation** – we need someone besides Mike T. to sign up (this requires following instructions that are clearly spelled out – and this job gives you incredible power!)
- ✓ Signing up to help at **Art in the Park** on August 13
- ✓ Helping at our scheduled **South Portland Food Cupboard** food processing on the last Thursday of each month.
- ✓ Helping at the **Food Cupboard** at other times – please see Tony's email – they especially need help on Thursday and Friday mornings.
- ✓ Helping to collect food at the **Sounds by the Sea** concert on August 15 (all other weeks have been filled – thank you!!)
- ✓ And a new opportunity – do you have any **outdoor playthings** that our asylum-seeking neighbors could use? Our Youth Services Committee (Tiffanie) received a request from the Quality Inn in SP (which is where several of these families live) for things that the kids could use in playing outside. They suggest: hula hoops, jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, balls, slides, a big swing set, comfy outdoor seating, bubble machine, soccer goals, basketball hoop, sun shades, water table – anything else your kids no longer use that they might find useful. Please contact Michelle at the Quality Inn on Main Street in SP if you can help.

AND THANK YOUS!!

Some of us have already taken advantage of some opportunities to help out. For instance:

Garden at Fort Williams Picnic Shelter – thank you to the following people who helped spiff up the garden in preparation for our lobster bake this week: Pictured: Michele, Peter, Nancy Irving, Adrienne, Audrey LeBleu, Catherine, Tony and Bev. Not pictured: Phil, Ray and John LoBosco.



Cape Elizabeth Land Trust parking – also working outdoors were Tom's crew of parking volunteers: Chuck, David Lourie, Phil, Michele, Bob Knupp, Tony and Nancy H



Youth Exchange is Finally Back!! - Peter Bennett briefly talked about the Rotary Youth Exchanged Program before introducing Liam Murphy and Gonzalo Castillo.

Liam is from South Portland. His mother graduated from Cape Elizabeth High School and attended a youth exchange program before graduating. Liam attends the Baxter Academy in Portland. His Spanish teacher told him about Rotary's Youth Exchange Program. Liam has 2 years of high school Spanish under his belt and hopes traveling to Spain for 4 weeks beginning July 27 will improve his fluency. Liam has a younger sister who will qualify to apply for the Youth Exchange Program in a year and is very interest in participating. Liam is interested in seeing Europe and this is the reason he applied for the Youth Exchange Program.

Gonzalo started learning English at 6 years old. He's traveled to England and Ireland. While Gonzalo is visiting us on the east coast, his brother Carlos is in Portland, Oregon with the Rotary Youth Exchange. His mother is a Rotarian and past president of her club. While in office she won a Global Grant. Sailing is one of Gonzalo's many interests. He presented our club with a Rotary banner from Alicante, his city of residence.

Kathy Cotter was quick and grabbed 2 banners from the cupboard. One for Gonzalo and the other so Liam can present a banner while he is in Spain.



Peter and Liam



Liam and Gonzalo

It's a New Year! – And therefore we have a new annual Rotary theme and logo (see above). The logo was designed by Riki Salam, and Australian artist specializing in contemporary aboriginal art. Here's what some of the elements represent:

- Circle + dots = navigation star – a “guiding light”
- Green line = a “digging stick,” representing hard work because we're a people of action
- 7 dots = 7 areas of focus
- Purple = polio eradication
- Green = the environment
- White = peace

June Board Meeting Highlights

1. The Internal and External Budgets were approved – see slides below presented by Jim Britt
2. The club will serve fried dough at Art in the Park. The club netted \$1500 selling fried dough at Family Fun Day
3. The club sent 6 students to RYLA
4. At a special board meeting the board voted to give an additional \$1000 to Sounds by the Sea Concert series making the club's total contribution for the year \$2000

Internal Budget - 2022-2023

Income

Dues	\$12,025
Happy Dollars	\$3,000
Raffle	\$700
Lobster Bake	<u>\$3,000</u>

Total Income **\$18,725**

Expenses

RI costs	\$9,185	RI Dues, insurance, District dues
Website	\$770	
Meetings	\$2,535	PETS, Assembly, Conferences
Meals	\$4,000	Lobster bake, speaker meals
Misc Expenses	<u>\$1,895</u>	PO Box, subscriptions, state filing

Total Expenses **\$18,385**

Net \$340

External Budget - 2022-2023

Income

Christmas Tree Sale	\$47,000
Interest - Bath Savings	\$20
Bug Light Donations	\$400
Veterans Donations	\$500
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$1,200
Art in the Park	\$250
Spring Fest	\$37,500
Family Fun Day	\$1,500
Transfer from Reserves	<u>\$9,130</u>

Total Income **\$97,500**

Disbursements

Community Service Projects	\$ 2,500
Food Security	\$12,950
Community Building	\$4,800
Senior Citizens Project	\$2,000
Youth Services	\$23,650
Behavioral Health	\$9,000
Veterans	\$8,100
Safe & Stable Housing	\$2,500
Member Discretionary	\$1,500
Community Resource Needs	<u>\$4,000</u>

**Total
Local**
\$71,000

International Projects	\$4,000
PolioPlus	\$4,000
Partners for World Health	\$1,500
Shelterbox	\$1,500
Rotary Foundation	\$6,500
Ukraine Aid	<u>\$4,000</u>

**Total
Int'l**
\$21,500

Misc \$5,000

Total Disbursements **\$97,500**

CLUB LOCAL PRIORITY AREAS

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Physical effort to maintain the beauty, local history and culture for future enjoyment.

- Bug Light Park
- Fort Williams Park
- Gardens and Green Spaces

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Club sponsored events or club presence at public events which foster opportunities for connection.

- Public Service Luncheons
- Sounds By the Sea
- Tree Lighting
- CELT Wet Paint Auction
- Other Community Events

YOUTH SERVICES

Any project or initiative that benefits the local youth.

- Interact
- Rotaract SMCC
- Literacy Projects
- RYLA
- Scholarships
- Little Leagues
- Other Initiatives Benefitting Local Youth

COMMUNITY RESOURCE NEEDS

Financial support to fill a gap in the local safety net, or to improve quality of life for our vulnerable neighbors.

- Senior Citizen Project
- Hannaford and Target Gift Cards
- Member Discretionary
- Requests from Community Partners

CLUB LOCAL PRIORITY AREAS

FOOD SECURITY

Projects focused on ensuring everyone in our local community has equitable access to nutritious foods.

- Food Cupboard
- Judy's Pantry
- Farms for Food Equity
- Others as identified

SAFE & STABLE HOUSING

Funds available to assist housing insecure neighbors.

- No projects yet identified. Member suggestions welcome.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Projects aimed at improving the well-being of neighbors with mental illness, and/or substance use disorder.

- Milestone HOME team
- Greater Portland Family Promise
- Brick Hill Programs
- Family Restored
- Other as identified

VETERANS

Supporting projects and programs that serve veterans, service members, and their families

- Hurt House
- Durham Warriors
- Emergency Funds
- Other as identified

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

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President – Jim Britt
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