

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

November 16, 2022



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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:

November 19 – Tree Lot & Corral Setup

November 23 – Thanksgiving Eve - No Meeting

November 25 – 1st Tree Unloading & Tree Sale Starts!!

November 30 – Sarah Hansen, Greater Portland Landmarks

December 1 – South Portland Food Cupboard Donation Processing (moved back a week due to Thanksgiving)

December 7 – Nikki Williams, The 211 Maine Program. Also election of officers for 2023-24

December 14 – Brenda Cressey – Polio Awareness and Developments

November 30 Duties

Opening Words – Butterworth

Raffle Gift – Matthews

Meeting Room Setup – *please sign up*

OWL Operation – *please sign up*

December 7 Duties

Opening Words – Callahan

Raffle Gift – McAleney

Meeting Room Setup – *please sign up*

OWL Operation – Mike Tranfaglia

Opening Words – Tiffanie read a passage from Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to

-  Tom Hamerski (11/26)
-  Mike Tranfaglia (12/2)

Congratulations to Bob Hansen who won a raffle gift donated by David Lourie.

Congratulations to Sari Greene, who beat out Nancy Irving in the tie-breaker (they each had ten correct) in the football pool.

Congratulations to Tony Wagner who received a PolioPlus Society certificate presented by Assistant Governor Fran Bagdasarian.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the re-furbishing of the tree trailer on Saturday:

- ∧ Tom Meyers
- ∧ Bob Knupp
- ∧ David Lourie
- ∧ Nicole Albert
- ∧ Kathy Cotter
- ∧ Laurenz Schmidt
- ∧ Marge Dugan
- ∧ Sam Wilkens-O'Brien
- ∧ Jeff Gabrielson
- ∧ Jack Roberts
- ∧ Paul Smith
- ∧ Scott Irving
- ∧ Tony Wagner and his friend Jaymie

Guests – In addition to Bill York from the Isle of Wight, we had three potential new members visiting us: Matt Best and Jim & Maureen Lauda. Also joining us in person for the first time was Mike Geneseo!

Well Done, Nominating Committee! – Quick refresh for new members (and everyone else too) on the nomination/election process, according to our club bylaws:

- ✓ The nominating committee consists of the five most recent past presidents, and is chaired by the most recent past president – this year that would be Dave Bagdasarian.
- ✓ The nominating committee nominates a slate of officers no later than the last meeting before Thanksgiving, i.e. this week.
- ✓ The president asks for additional nominations from the floor (there were none and nominations closed).
- ✓ The officers are elected at the Annual Meeting, which is held in the first week of December (i.e. December 7 this year).
- ✓ The positions of President and Director-at-Large are automatic – they do not require election.
- ✓ The Nominating Committee nominates 5 directors but they do not determine the avenue of service for each director – that is determined by the directors and the president.

Our Nominating Committee has done an outstanding job in presenting the following slate of officers, whose term will be July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024:

President – Dan McDonald
President-Elect – Nancy Irving
Vice-President – Chris Speh
Treasurer – Tom Hamerski
Secretary – Kathy Cotter
Directors:
 Matt McAleney
 Kylie Wilkens-O'Brien
 Mike Tranfaglia
 Sari Greene
 Tiffanie Bentley
Director-at-Large – Jim Britt

New Cabinet for Bug Light! (*submitted by Tony*) – David Langdon donated labor and materials to assemble a cabinet for the ground floor of Bug Light. Dave is a “Friend of Rotary” and Honorary member, who is also a multiple Paul Harris Fellow of the Rotary Foundation. Dave was also a key player last year in putting in the new flooring at Bug Light. This cabinet will sit on that floor and will be used to stow all the miscellaneous stuff that usually clutters up the ground floor. The cabinet will be at the Light sometime later this week. The snow trailer work crew put some finishing touches on the inside this past Saturday.



Pickleball – A group of SPCE Rotarians has been meeting twice a week to play pickleball – Mondays at 7:30 a.m. and Fridays at 2 p.m. They have been playing at Fort Williams but now that winter is approaching they will be moving to an indoor site – contact Bags or Adrienne if you’re interested in joining them.

TREES – This week’s meeting was all about trees. I couldn’t begin to tell you everything that was reported but here are some tidbits:

- 🌲 We all need to sign up for 6 shifts of 2 hours each. If you feel that you are not physically able to sell trees, consider contacting Scott to ask him to sign you up as a greeter, or contact Dan McDonald to volunteer to help behind the scenes.
- 🌲 We have ordered 2,100 trees, which will come from the usual farm in the suburbs of Newport, Maine.
- 🌲 Pricing is solely by height – there will not be a separate price for “premium” trees
- 🌲 We are recording sales on an ipad again, but using Square this year rather than Shopify.
- 🌲 Newspaper articles have already been submitted (and one has appeared in the Sentry last week).
- 🌲 Trees sold online will not be set aside for customers – they need to come onto the lot to pick out their tree.
- 🌲 We will have 400 gnome ornaments to give to children.
- 🌲 We will have choral groups performing on 11/26, 12/2 and 12/17.
- 🌲 We will be delivering trees to the islands again on the first 2 Wednesdays of the sale – Casco Bay Lines is again transporting them for free.
- 🌲 Tree sale hours are 3-7 on weekdays and 10-6 on weekends.
- 🌲 Please try to take a picture of the workers on your shift and text it to Matt for FB.
- 🌲 We have cleaned the cushions in the trailer so please don’t set the chainsaw on them.
- 🌲 Keep customers at least 5 feet away from the chainsaw (and customers should not operate the chainsaw themselves).



- 🌲 Per the tree sale chair, “Smile and have a good time!”

ROTARY UNIFORMS????



Bob's November Quiz

1. How many career firefighters are there in the United States?
 - a. 2 million
 - b. 290,000
 - c. 958,000
 - d. 358,000
2. How many traffic deaths are there worldwide in a year?
 - a. 1.3 million
 - b. 2.1 million
 - c. 857,000
 - d. 425,000
3. What city will host the 2023 Rotary International Convention?
 - a. Auckland
 - b. Munich
 - c. Melbourne
 - d. Victoria
4. Stephanie Urchick has made a splash as a Rotarian in the McMurray, PA club. Why?
 - a. She reformed the PA election code
 - b. She put McMurray on the map
 - c. She has been selected as R.I.'s president for 2024-25
 - d. She found work in Pittsburgh, PA as a political consultant to John Fetterman
5. Bonus Questions. Victor Fleming's crossword puzzle has a clue for 4 down: "Program that sends unwanted e-mail." It is seven letters long. What is it?

ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH PORTLAND/CAPE ELIZABETH, MAINE

Officers

President – Jim Britt
President-Elect – Dan McDonald
Vice-President – Nancy Irving
Secretary – Kathy Cotter
Treasurer – Tom Hamerski

Directors

Club Administration – Mike Tranfaglia
Youth Services – Tiffanie Bentley & Sarah Fisher
Community Services – Kiley Wilkens-O'Brien
International Services/Foundation – Peter Bennett
Membership – Matt McAleney
Director-At-Large – Dave Bagdasarian

Committee Chairs

Visibility Co-Chairs – Fran Bagdasarian & Matt McAleney

Webmaster – Jim Britt & Scott Irving
Bulletin Editor – Nancy Hawes
Program Chair – John LoBosco

DISTRICT 7780 GOVERNOR

Claudia Frost, Rotary Club of Brunswick

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

Jennifer Jones, Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario, Canada