

TWO LIGHTS

**Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
December 6, 2023**



*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:

December 13 – Trevor Putnok, Healthcare Purchaser Alliance of Maine

Next meeting after that is January 3.

December 13 Duties

Opening Words – Sprague

Raffle Gift – DeGennaro

January 3 Duties

Opening Words – Sturtevant

Raffle Gift – Dorrington

Meeting Setup Reminder: Locker Combination is **11-21-11**

Opening Words – I can usually find opening word quotations by googling a key phrase or two but I couldn't come up with Ellie's opening words this week – but the gist was that there are lots of opportunities to be generous – we just need to pay a little attention to see them all around us.

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to

- 🍰 Adrienne (Today! Dec 8)
- 🍰 Tom Meyers (Dec 17)
- 🍰 Dave Bagdasarian (Dec 19)
- 🍰 Ray H-E-A-L-E-Y (Dec. 23)
- 🍰 Rick Dobson (Dec 23)
- 🍰 Chris Speh (Dec 26)
- 🍰 Kathy Cotter (Dec 28)
- 🍰 Jim Britt (Dec 28)
- 🍰 Anne Swift-Kayatta (NYE! Dec 31)

Happy Anniversary to

- 🎁 Laurenz & Barbara Schmidt (Dec 18)
- 🎁 Dan & Shirley Mooers (Dec 31)

Congratulations to Frank Butterworth who won a Scratch gift certificate courtesy of Michelle Danois.

Thank you to Bill Lohrman for donating a tree to give away to someone in need. (Did you know that Bill stays in a hotel so that he can spend the weekend in Portland to do his tree shifts?!)

Guests:

- ❖ Bill York (always good to see his face on the screen)
- ❖ Rich Petrie, a Humanities professor at SMCC (who helped me with the Zoom – restart is always the answer!)
- ❖ Prospective members Kevin Williams and his wife Pamela Fox- we look forward to getting to know them better!

Foundation Football (from the Commissioner) – It was a slugfest Monday night as the defenses took the day off. The 65-point total meant that Sari Wrong Number's 46-point guesstimate edged Tom's and Cowboy Jim's 45. Kathy Welcome Back had 37.

Sari and Kathy now are tied with two weekly wins, with Sari ahead on the total picks tie breaker at 218 to 214.

Sorry, Tom, no time to wallow in the Meyers.

(Sari was out of town so Kathy accepted in her absence. I'm not including a photo of Kathy – if you've forgotten what she looks like, please refer to the last **two** bulletins containing pictures of her accepting the trophy!)

Bulletin Trivia: Scott asked last week what was the date of the earliest club bulletin on our website? I meant to look it up and include it in the bulletin but forgot. Fortunately Scott did not forget – it was December, 1961. And he had a new trivia question for us this week: what was the price we were selling trees for in 1968-69? Answer = \$7!

A huge thank you to Scott for all that he does to upload club information to our website and for maintaining the website!!

And Yet Another Incredibly Informative Program!! – I think I speak for other members of the club as well when I say that I learned a whole lot at this week’s meeting. I guess we all knew that some of the large ships need a pilot to guide them into Portland Harbor but that was the extent of my knowledge. Our speaker, Calvin Klopp grew up on Peaks Island and in Cape Elizabeth and is a graduate of Maine Maritime Academy. In 2017 he became the 2nd youngest fully licensed State Pilot in the US. He is now one of 3 pilots who operate two pilot boats (the Portland Pilot and the Spring Point). Ships may arrive in Portland Harbor 24 hours/day, 365 days per year, and the pilots are responsible for navigating them into the harbor safely, without delay. So they can be called out on very short notice in the middle of the night. To get onto the ships that they pilot, they have to climb a rope ladder – in all kinds of weather! The pictures of these ladders really made us appreciative of the skill required to perform this job. Thank you once again to Chris Speh for bringing us this fascinating program!!

Bob’s December Rotary Magazine Quiz (thank you Bob!):

1. Who is Daniel C. Himelspach?
 - a. President of the Herzogham club in Germany
 - b. Rotary District Governor in Deutschland
 - c. Director of RI
 - d. Well-known rock singer from Berlin
2. On page 26, there is a report about cheese production in Peru (36,849 tons). How much milk does it take to make one pound of cheese?
 - a. 5 quarts
 - b. 10 quarts
 - c. 20 quarts
 - d. 25 quarts
3. The Rotary Foundation has some interesting gift suggestions. How much does a water filter cost?
 - a. \$15
 - b. \$35
 - c. \$50
 - d. \$100
4. What is a coquette?
 - a. A lively latino dance step
 - b. Mexico’s version of Uber
 - c. A little coconut
 - d. A spy organization in Venezuela

Bonus Question: Once again Victor Fleming of the Little Rock Club has published a crossword puzzle. 17-across is a “salad for members” (15 letters). What is the answer?

More About the Wreath at Bug Light – I had a backlog of club information last week so I didn't include everything Kiley sent me about hanging the wreath at Bug Light. So here's her November 28 email about it. (And did you see the Portland Press Herald this morning? It includes a photo which is practically the same as one that Kiley took and was in last week's bulletin.)

This morning Tony and Sam hung the wreath donated by Jack Roberts, Honorary Lighthouse Keeper! It was a crisp windy day on the Atlantic, but these two made sure the holiday greenery was tightly secured.

Bob Hansen, a Rotarian, theologian and scholar, was recently discussing the tradition of hanging evergreens during the holiday season. The Christian tradition dates back to 15th century Germany, and the pagan tradition has been around even longer.

In both practices the evergreens represent hope and the promise that the light shall return to vanquish the darkness. How fitting that this one rests on a structure which brings light and guides ships safely into port.

By maintaining these historic structures and time-honored traditions, the Rotarians of South Portland-Cape Elizabeth are truly Creating Hope in the World.

Wishing you all a very merry season.



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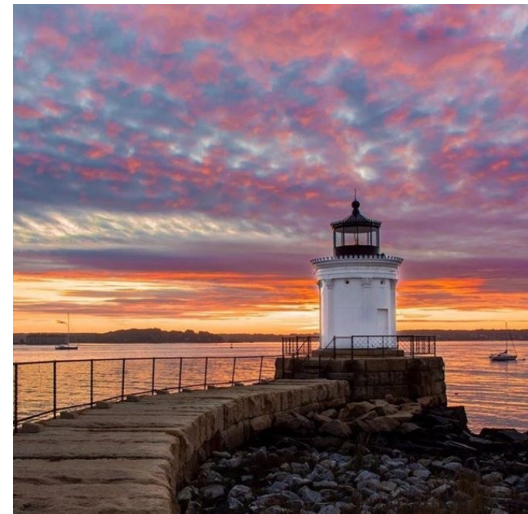
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PRE-JACK



THE KEEPER



BUG LIGHT IN ITS GLORY

Things To Do With Santa Saturday Morning:
(Is there a universal template for this or did they copy each other???)

CAPE COMMUNITY ARENA PRESENTS



SKATE WITH SANTA

Embrace the joy of the season with us!

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 9TH
CAPE ICE RINK
10AM-1PM**

CAPEARENA.ORG

Tickets are limited!
Purchase in advance to
secure your spot at this
joyful event.

LACE UP YOUR SKATES AND JOIN SANTA & HIS MERRY ELVES ON ICE. FEATURING HOLIDAY CRAFTS, FESTIVE TUNES, INDULGENT HOT CHOCOLATE AND SWEET TREATS. CAPTURE THOSE MAGICAL HOLIDAY MOMENTS WITH OUR PHOTO BACKDROPS, AND BE DAZZLED WITH A HOLIDAY FIGURE SKATING PERFORMANCE. ALL INCLUDED WITH YOUR TICKET

SMCC CULINARY ARTS
STUDENTS PRESENTS:



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Enjoy breakfast and fun to help support the SMCC Culinary Arts students going to Barcelona Spain!

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 09**

SOUTHERN MAINE COMMUNITY
COLLEGE CULINARY DINING ROOM
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



Tickets: \$12 per person
Kids 5 and under get in free!

TICKET INCLUDES: DELICIOUS BREAKFAST
MADE BY CULINARY STUDENTS,
PHOTO WITH SANTA, COOKIE DECORATING,
RAFFLES, AND MORE!

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