

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

July 19, 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:

July 22 – Tree rack repairs work party followed by BBQ. Special skills not required!

July 24, 6 p.m. – Sounds by the Sea, Joe Boucher, Fort Williams Bandstand

July 26 – Betsy Biemann, CEO, Coastal Enterprises, Inc.

July 27, 5:30 – 7:15 – Food processing at South Portland Food Cupboard

July 31, 6 p.m. - Sounds by the Sea, Ocean House Road Band, Fort Williams Picnic Shelter

August 2 – Steven Genovese, Sustainability Outreach Fellow, City of South Portland

August 7 – Sounds by the Sea, World Famous Grassholes - concert at the bandstand but the picnic shelter has been reserved for us!

August 9 – Meredith Mendelson, Maine Marine Resources Dept.

August 14, 6 p.m. - Sounds by the Sea, Pine State Pitches, Fort Williams Picnic Shelter

August 16 – Andrew Tufts, Maine Audubon

August 22 – SP-CE Rotary at the Sea Dogs! We will be picnicking in the picnic shelter.

July 26 Duties

Opening Words – Lohrman
Raffle Gift – Albert

August 2 Duties

Opening Words – Lourie
Raffle Gift - Altenburg

Opening Words, July 12 from Scott Irving:

“I was looking for something for opening words and ran across a few that made me think of the Peter Cotter discretionary giving program. A program Peter set up to encourage individuals to become aware of needs around them and to act on them by funding up to \$50 a year. You might be standing in line behind someone struggling to pay for groceries, or become aware of one of the many other hard issues some face.”

“Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time, and always start with the person nearest you.”

— Mother Teresa

“We can change the world and make it a better place. It is in our hands to make a difference.”

— Nelson Mandela

“What you do for yourself dies with you when you leave this world, what you do for others lives on forever.”

— Ken Robinson

“Anyone who thinks that they are too small to make a difference has never tried to fall asleep with a mosquito in the room.”

— The Dalai Lama

Opening Words, July 19 from John LoBosco, who noted that quotations from Henry Wadsworth Longfellow were perfect for our setting at Portland Head Light. While a senior at Bowdoin, Longfellow wrote:

“I will not disguise it in the least...the fact is, I most eagerly aspire after future eminence in literature, my whole soul burns most ardently after it, and every earthly thought centres in it...I am almost confident in believing, that if I can ever rise in the world it must be by the exercise of my talents in the wide field of literature.”

And then through one of this characters, Longfellow later shared his vision:

“We want a national literature commensurate with our mountains and rivers ... We want a national epic that shall correspond to the size of the country ... We want a national drama in which scope shall be given to our gigantic ideas and to the unparalleled activity of our people ... In a word, we want a national literature altogether shaggy and unshorn, that shall shake the earth...”

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to:

 Marge Dugan (July 13 - belated wishes since no bulletin last week!)

- 🍰 Rupa Lall Pakash (July 26)
- 🍰 Fran Bagdasarian (July 28)
- 🍰 Bob Carson (July 29)
- 🍰 Catherine Callahan (July 30)

Happy Anniversary to

- 🎂 Phil & Claudette Dube (July 22)
- 🎂 Fran & Dave Bagdasarian (July 31)

July Rotaversaries (from the time first joined Rotary):

- 🌀 Bill Lohrman - 5 years
- 🌀 Bev Altenburg - 8 years
- 🌀 Tom Hamerski - 18 years

Congratulations to Bob Knupp who won the raffle prize to be donated by Dick Yerxa.

Garden Work Day – Special thanks to Catherine Callahan and the crew she assembled to clean up the gardens at Bug Light Park and at the Fort Williams Picnic Shelter. The gardens looked a bit ragged at the beginning, but beautiful and welcoming at the end. The crew included:

Picnic Shelter Gardens:

- 🛠 Bev Altenberg
- 🛠 Tony Wagner
- 🛠 John LoBosco
- 🛠 Mike Geneseo
- 🛠 Catherine Callahan



Bug Light Gardens:

- 🛠 Bev Altenberg
- 🛠 Sari Greene
- 🛠 Nancy Irving
- 🛠 Scott Irving
- 🛠 Bob Knupp
- 🛠 Michele Danois
- 🛠 Catherine Dorrington
- 🛠 Dan MacDonald
- 🛠 Tom Hamerski
- 🛠 Catherine Callahan
- 🛠 Marge Dugan
- 🛠 Irving dogs



Catherine Callahan has also assembled a team to maintain the gardens throughout the summer - contact her if you want to participate.

“You Mean It’s Not a Fundraiser?!?!” – I sat with two members of other Rotary clubs who were amazed that our club went to all that trouble and it wasn’t even a fundraiser! It was just for us – for our Rotary family. And what a treat it was to see so many familiar faces – including:

- ★ Sybil!
- ★ Paul Butler, along with Jan, Julie & Wendy
- ★ Ellie & Chris Speh – in PERSON!
- ★ The whole Schauf clan
- ★ Part of the Wagner clan
- ★ Henry – along with Katelyn & Cullen
- ★ Several spouses/significant others (if I start naming them I’ll undoubtedly leave someone out, but you know who you are!)



There was a lot of overlap between “familiar faces” and “distinguished guests” – these included:

- ★ Rotary Foundation Trustee Marty Helman from the Boothbay Harbor club
- ★ Past Rotary Foundation Trustee (and past SPCE Rotarian) Brenda Cressey from the Ogunquit club with her grandson Tom
- ★ District Governor Nominee Emma Bodwell from the Bridgton club and her daughter Zoe
- ★ CE Town Manager Matt Sturgis
- ★ CE Chief of Police Paul Fenton
- ★ CE Fire Chief Steve Young & his wife Lesley
- ★ Endowment/Major Gifts Advisor for our Zone Mary Shackleton from Metro NYC Rotary Club
- ★ Rotary Foundation Major Gifts Officer Celeste Herbert, President of Chattanooga South Rotary Club

Thank you to everyone who shopped, set up, cooked, served, loaned grills, cleaned up, schlepped equipment, supplies & ice, carried away the garbage, counted money, made nametags, and mainly to the organizer extraordinaire Anne Swift-Kayatta!



LOBSTERBAKE
QUEEN ANNE!



P-E Nancy
filling in
for Dan
this week



Two of the chefs



The Butler Family



The Schaufs!



District Dignitaries Marty & Emma



Celeste (from TRF) and Scott



Chris & Ellie came up from NC for this!

CE Town Manager Matt & Fire Chief Steve



New & Returning Board Members Hannah & Kiley

CE Police Chief Paul & Fire First Lady Lesley



Bob's June Quiz –

1. With a population of 18,000 the Republic of Palau is spread out over a number of islands. How many?
 - a. 12
 - b. 210
 - c. 410
 - d. 340**
2. A club in Ireland is working to prevent traffic crash fatalities. How far does an average passenger vehicle travel after applying the brakes at 60 mph?
 - a. 127 feet
 - b. 260 feet**
 - c. 225 feet
 - d. 280 feet
3. In Australia a local club worked with a distiller to produce a signature gin. How many bottles were produced?
 - a. 72
 - b. 150
 - c. 260**
 - d. They lost count after the first and only tasting
4. Which of the following persons is NOT an annual photo award judge?
 - a. Maurizo Gambarini
 - b. Hsiu-Ming Lin**
 - c. Paul Keenon
 - d. Chao-an Ling
 - e. Ed Zirkle

Bonus Question: Victor Fleming's crossword puzzle has a 5-letter clue for buckwheat porridge."

What is it? Kasha

**ROTARY CLUB OF
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