

TWO LIGHTS

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth

June 5, 2024



*I slept and dreamt that life was joy.
I awoke and saw that life was service.
I acted and behold, service was joy!
Rabindranath Tagore*

Upcoming Dates:

June 12, 8-9 – Gardening at Bug Light (see sign-up that Scott sent, or if you don't want to commit, just show up!)

June 12 – Maggie Catanese, Vet2Vet Maine

June 18, 7 p.m. – Board meeting at SMCC (Final board meeting of this Rotary year)

June 19 – NO MEETING, But...

June 19, 8-9 a.m. – Gardening at Bug Light

June 23 – Parking detail, CELT Paint for Preservation (see online signup)

June 25, 5:30 – 10:00 – RYLA Dinner & Campfire at Camp Hinds – open to all Rotarians. \$10 donation. Club members who haven't been before will get a real sense of what all the excitement is about and why supporting this leadership training opportunity for young people is a great use of our funds.

June 26, 5:30 – “Changeover” will take place at the Boarhouse at Port Harbor Marine. The meal will be a catered taco bar. Signup to come.

June 29 – District Conference, Star Island (Isles of Shoals). Cost is \$45, which includes lunch and round-trip boat ride to the island. Boat leaves at 8:50 a.m. and returns to Portsmouth at 3:50 p.m.

July 2 (Tuesday), 8-9 a.m. – Gardening at Bug Light

July 24 – Lobsterbake

July 31 – Foundation Baseball. Let Nicole know if you think you may be coming – but you don’t need to make a firm commitment yet. Tickets are in Skyboxes Ramirez & Renteria. Cost = \$40 (or more!) donation to PolioPlus.

June 12 Duties

Opening Words – Callahan
Raffle Gift – Lohrman

June 26 Duties

Opening Words – Cotter
Raffle Gift – Lourie

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


Opening Words – Frank Butterworth could not attend but he sent words that were read by Catherine Dorrington, a wish for Rotarians to make the world a better place to live in.

What’s New With Our Members


Thank you to Mike Tranfaglia (and whoever helped him - not sure who you were) for bringing in a pizza supper for us.

Welcome back, Bob Hansen - great to see that you have recovered!

Happy Birthday to

 *Bill Anderson (June 10)*

 *David Bagdasarjian (June 14)*

 *Bob Knupp (June 16)*

Happy Anniversary to:

- 🎁 Catherine Callahan & Bret LeBleu (June 10)*
- 🎁 Jim & Gillian Britt (June 11)*
- 🎁 Peter & Judy Bennett (June 12)*
- 🎁 Anne & Bill Kayatta (June 17)*
- 🎁 DeeDee & Rick Wacksman (June 18)*
- 🎁 Bill & Diane York (June 19)*
- 🎁 Sari Greene & Eric Boutiette (June 19)*
- 🎁 Chris & Ellie Speh (June 21)*

Congratulations to Kathy Cotter who won a gift certificate to Verbena, courtesy of John LoBosco.

Congratulations to all the recent graduates, including Jeff Gabrielson's grandson who was valedictorian at CEHS!

Get well wishes to former club member Tim Thompson, recovering from a heart attack.

June Rotaversaries

- 🌀 Paul Smith - 7 years*
- 🌀 DeeDee Wacksman - 13 years*
- 🌀 Scott Irving - 14 years*
- 🌀 Bill Anderson - 19 years*

End of Year Reminder – If you have not used your \$50 no-questions-asked voucher yet, go ahead and use it and request reimbursement from our new treasurer Marge Dugan before June 30. You can use the \$50 for a charitable organization or an individual in need of a hand.

Rest in Peace, Bob Carson – Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of past president Bob Carson, especially to his wife Penny. The second sentence of his obituary said “Bob served faithfully with the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club serving as secretary for many years. In addition to many years as our club secretary, Bob was also district secretary twice and served as president of our club from 1985-86. Here is a link to the [club history](#) for that year.



Charter member Dick Yerxa and Penny Carson reminiscing about long-time Rotarian Bob Carson

Thank You, Cape Elizabeth Public Works Department! – Our club expressed its appreciation to the workers at CE Public Works with a lunch for them on Thursday, May 30. Helping to serve them were:

Bev Altenburg
Kathy Cotter
Dan Davidson (who also took the photos)
Jeff Gabrielson
Nancy Irving
Dan McDonald
Chuck Redman
Mike Tranfaglia
Tony Wagner



Taking Care of Business – At our June 5 meeting, John LoBosco reviewed the revisions that had been made to our bylaws, which had last been updated 7 years ago. Some of the highlights of the changes:

- There are no longer attendance requirements and in fact, the club secretary no longer takes attendance.
- We are not required to meet every week – and in fact we don't; we take a week off each month to participate in service activities instead.
- The board has flexibility to add non-voting members and to provide for shared board positions.
- The board members have more flexibility in spending their portion of the budget (within limits) without board approval.
- The past president will still convene the nominating committee but does not necessarily need to chair the committee.
- The nominating committee can propose committee chairs for committees with activities with budgets of more than \$10,000 (reading between the lines, this means that the President-Elect is not necessarily required to chair the tree sale).

The proposed revisions were approved in what appeared to be a unanimous vote. The revised bylaws have already been posted to the website and can be found by going to the “Members Only” dropdown and selecting Club Operations Documents. The “SP-CE Club Bylaws” are listed in the left-hand column.

Yard South – Tom Meyers introduced our speakers this week, Jennifer Packard (President of PK Realty Management (PKRM) and Yard South Project Lead) and Amy Magida (Yard South Project Manager). PKRM specializes in adaptive renovation of historic properties, and owns 30 acres next to Bug Light Park which were part of the former Liberty shipyard. The Yard South project is a proposed mixed use housing project which has been designed with climate change and the housing crisis in mind. The land is currently zoned as a shipyard and PKRM is in the process of trying to get the zoning changed to allow for mixed use.



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