

TWO LIGHTS

**Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
September 27, 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:

October 4 – Nick Battista, Island Institute

October 9, 3-5 – Indigenous Peoples Day celebration at Redbank Community Center

October 11 – Madeleine Saucier, Maine Immigrant Rights Coalition

October 17, 7 p.m. – Board Meeting

October 18 – No Meeting

October 21, 12:30 – 5:45 (2 shifts) Volunteer service opportunity to sell concessions at Pond Cove Parents Association Annual Harvest Festival (see Kiley's sign-up email)

October 25 – Carolyn Nishon, Portland Symphony; also new meeting starting time – 6 p.m

November 1 – Our District Governor Marion Cheney will be joining us

November 2, 5:30 - 8 – “A Light on the Point” celebration at SMCC Dining Hall

November 6, 9:30 – Spend the morning of Election Day Eve with Sen. Angus King (a classmate of President Dan's) at South Portland Community Center. A continental breakfast will be served. We'll be inviting our SpringFest sponsors as well as Rotarians from area clubs.

October 4 Duties

Opening Words – Olshansky
Raffle Gift – Best

October 11 Duties




Opening Words – Redman
Raffle Gift - Britt

Meeting Setup Reminder: Locker Combination is **11-21-11**
(And this is the only thing you need to know to set up the meeting room – there are instructions inside the locker door, complete with pictures even!)

OPENING WORDS – Adrienne shared some words by Helen Keller which were brief but so true:
“Alone we can do little; together we can do so much.”

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to

-  Frank Butterworth - October 1
-  Jeff Gabrielson - October 9
-  Brent Wilson - also October 9

Happy Anniversary to

-  Michael & Becca Geneseo (October 3)

Get well wishes to Tim Butterworth as he recovers from surgery on September 26, another step in his L-O-N-G progress back to health. Frank has reported to us in the past that Tim appreciates ALL cards, so whether you knew Tim or not, please consider sending a card:

21 McAuley Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107

Congratulations to Kathy Cotter who won a generous gift certificate to the South Portland House of Pizza donated by Tiffanie.

Welcome back, Laurenz - and we're hoping to see you in person soon!

Thank you to Mike Tranfaglia for running the Owl this week.

Good news, bad news - good news is that Katelyn has a new job! Bad news is that it's in Brunswick and that she will be leaving our club at the end of October. Congratulations, Katelyn and best wishes to you and Henry!

Foundation Football Pool Week #3 -Chuck took the podium to once again “educate, elucidate and enlighten” and after conducting his usual trivia and giving away a quasi-football related item destined for a yard sale, he informed us that founder Bill York had been tied with Mike Geneseo aka Mikey Three Names* going into Monday’s games but that Mike correctly picked both games and came out on top. He also reminds us to pay our \$50 entry fee (or more if you want to!) to PolioPlus if we haven’t gotten around to it yet.

*(*For newcomers to the club, Mike G was bestowed that nickname due to the confusion on the part of several club members as to exactly how to pronounce his last name.)*

Indigenous Peoples Day Celebration (see poster below) – Our club is joining the South Portland Human Rights Commission in hosting a pancake dinner (not breakfast!) on Monday, October 9 to celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day. Guest speaker will be Corey Hinton, a citizen of the Passamaquoddy Tribe (Sipayik) and a lead lawyer on tribal issues in Maine. And not just any pancakes – Passamaquoddy Maple pancakes! Scott will be posting a sign-up for 6 volunteers to set up/cook/serve/clean from 2-6.

Strategic Planning Progress – Our meeting this week was devoted to learning about where we are in the planning process. Strategic Planning Committee Chair Dave Bagdasarian reviewed where we’ve come so far – starting with the Visioning Questionnaire and the in-person Visioning session itself on April 1. The committee compiled this voluminous amount of data and presented a report which includes the actual results of those 2 events as well as a listing of recommendations in 13 areas. The next task will be to analyze those recommendations and come up with short-term goals as well as goals that aren’t as easily achievable in the near term. Bob Hanson was very effusive in his praise of the work of the committee and his appreciation for the committee members:

- Dave Bagdasarian, Sr. (chair)
- Anne Swift-Kayatta
- Mike Tranfaglia
- Peter Bennett
- Tony Wagner
- Catherine Callahan
- Nicole Albert

Bob’s September Rotary Magazine Quiz (don’t confuse it with October which you just received) –

1. International President Gordon McNally suggests that if we are to succeed we should do what?
 - a) Address armed conflicts

- b) Worry about displaced persons
 - c) Learn a new language
 - d) All of the above
2. Greenland is owned by Denmark and located above the Arctic Circle. What is its second largest city, population 6,000?
- a) Nuuk
 - b) Nordland
 - c) Sisimiut
 - d) Thule
3. Our incoming RI President Stephanie Urchick is from Pennsylvania. What is her hometown?
- a) Tower City
 - b) Wilkes Barre
 - c) Meadville
 - d) McMurray
4. Singapore, site of the RI Convention, with a land mass smaller than New York City, has a population of
- a) 2.8 million
 - b) 8.3 million
 - c) 9.7 million
 - d) 5.6 million

ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH PORTLAND-CAPE ELIZABETH

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Indigenous Peoples Day

**Please join us on Monday
October 9th, 3-5pm
at
Redbank Community Center
95 Macarthur Cir W, South Portland, ME 04106**

**Featuring Guest Speaker:
Corey Hinton**

**A citizen of the Passamaquoddy Tribe (Sipayik) and a lead lawyer on
tribal issues in Maine**

Passamaquoddy Maple pancake dinner served

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