

TWO LIGHTS

**Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
July 17, 2024**



Upcoming Dates:

Pickleball – dates may vary - contact Dave Bagdasarian Sr. if you're interested in participating.

July 22, 6 p.m. – Sounds by the Sea, Joan Kennedy, at Bandstand

July 24 – Lobsterbake!!!

July 25, 5:30 – Food processing at South Portland Food Cupboard

July 29, 6 p.m. – Sounds by the Sea, Blue Fuse Jazz, at Bandstand

July 30, 7 p.m. – New Member Orientation at Brent Wilson's house, 38 Holden Rd, SP – RSVP to Brent at brentwilson1979@gmail.com.

July 31 – Foundation Baseball. More details below.

August 7 – Tom Meyers Vocational talk; also a training session on the Owl

August 10 – Art in the Park! (specifically Mill Creek Park) We will be selling popcorn and drinks.

August 14 – Club Assembly (i.e. update on club business)

August 21 – NO MEETING

July 24 Duties

Opening Words – DeGennaro

Raffle Gift – McGovern

August 7 Duties

Opening Words – Dorrington
Raffle Gift – McGreehan

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

Opening Words – Nancy Irving read a poem by Marcia McFee called Time to Take It In – I think that's what it was called anyway but I couldn't find it when I googled. The gist of it was that time is precious to live every moment fully.

What's New With Our Members

Happy Birthday to

- 🍰 Rupa Lall Pakash (July 26)
- 🍰 Fran Bagdasarjian (July 28)
- 🍰 Catherine Callahan (July 30)
- 🍰 Bob Hanson (July 31)

Happy Anniversary to:

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

Congratulations to Ray Healey, who won a "Flipfork" BBQ tool donated by Chuck Redman and to Pam Fox who won an IOU from Dan McDonald.

Get well wishes to Past District Governor and District Global Grants Chair Carolyn Johnson who is recovering from a medical emergency that occurred while she was traveling. (The titles above don't begin to scratch the surface of everything she does for Rotary as well as other organizations!) If you didn't get a chance to sign the card from the club and would like to let her know you're thinking of her, she can be contacted at:

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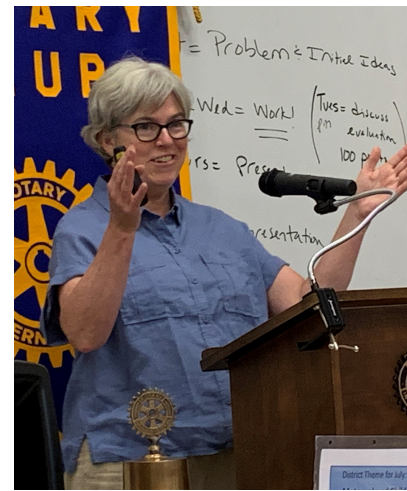
Thank you to Sue Sturtevant and Tony Wagner for spiffing up the gardens at the picnic shelter at Ft. Williams in readiness for our lobsterbake!

Wails from Wales – I received an email from our friend Bill York bemoaning the inability of his favorite baseball team to have a better record than they’ve come up with so far in the season. Specifically he would like to “relegate Bimbo Boone to the Sea Dogs.” While we (that’s editorial “we”) offer condolences to Bill, we can’t cheer for the Yankees record to improve.

And Speaking of Sea Dogs – As we get closer to the event, here are some details for those who have signed up:

- **Tickets** – if you have not received your ticket yet from Nicole, you can get it from her at the lobsterbake or if you don’t connect with her by game day, they will be at the “Will Call” window at Hadlock Field.
- **Donation** – if you have not already done so, please let Nicole know that you have made your donation online to benefit PolioPlus or give her a check made out to The Rotary Foundation. (And thank you to everyone who has already donated so generously!)
- **Grub** – there will be some basic food items (hot dogs, pizza) in the boxes but not a full spread. You should get your own drinks at the refreshment counters down below or at the bar that’s at the skybox level. Sea Dogs biscuits will be provided.
- **What time is the game?** The game starts at 6 but the park opens at 4:30. There will be no meeting – we’re just there to watch a ball game – so you can arrive whenever is convenient for you.
- **How do I get to my seat?** – When you enter Hadlock, take a right and line up at the elevator to go up to the Skybox level. Alternatively you can go all the way down to the left and climb up through the bleachers. The Ramirez and Renteria boxes are above 3rd base and are almost at the end (Youkilis is the last one).
- **Where do we sit?** – If you haven’t been to a skybox, your ticket gets you onto the elevator so you can get to your box, but the seat assignment is meaningless. You can sit anywhere in the first 2 rows in front of the box or in the box itself.
- **What else is going on?** – July 31 happens to be Maine Strong Night. That night the Sea Dogs will be honoring first responders and the victims of the Lewiston tragedy. The team will be wearing specially-designed jerseys that say Lewiston Strong on the back. The jerseys will be auctioned off to benefit the Lewiston Auburn Response Fund.

Poor Miss Rumphius! – Our guests this week from the Friends of Fort Williams Park answered the question of what happened to the lupine at the Cliffside location. Apparently they were Western lupine, as is most of the lupine in Maine and as such they are an invasive and were pulled up. So for all of you lupine lovers – plant “Sundial lupine” (*lupinus perennis*) instead! (I had to check out the two lupines after I learned this – here’s an informative article: <https://www.nps.gov/articles/000/a-tale-of-two-lupines.htm>).



The bearers of this news were the two permanent (both part-time) staff at the Friends – Executive Director Jennifer Scarpitti-Nelson and Ecology Project Manager Andrea Southworth. They also have 5 part-time seasonal workers who (along with volunteers) maintain the 4 sites that the Friends have developed (Children’s Garden, Cliffside, Lighthouse View and Cliff Walk). Andrea described the importance of “keystone native plants” which are plants that provide food for caterpillars. Planting these natives in the park has led to more butterflies and a large increase in the number of bird species in the park, particularly in the Children’s Garden. (And if you’re a birder, there is a birding group that meets in the park each Wednesday morning at 7 a.m. from the end of March through July.) Andrea noted that rather than large-scale volunteer events (such as the ones our club has participated in in the past), they now focus on a few volunteers helping the seasonal staff with smaller projects. Jennifer noted that although the Park is owned by the town of Cape Elizabeth, the Friends are a non-profit that is independent of the town and relies on donations and grants for revenue. (And for newer members, our club made a large donation to the Children’s Garden that was pivotal in getting that project off the ground!)

Bob’s Rotary Magazine Quiz (July)

1. This edition features information about our incoming RI President, Stephanie Urchick. What is her theme for the upcoming year?
 - a. Service Above Self
 - b. Pittsburgh Power
 - c. Changing the Model
 - d. The Magic of Rotary
2. Who is Mario Cesar Martins de Camargo
 - a. A major league baseball pitcher
 - b. One of RI’s trustees
 - c. RI’s President-Elect
 - d. Santo Domingo’s Ambassador to the US
3. Which one of the following is a language the Stephanie Urchick has not studied?
 - a. Russian
 - b. Polish
 - c. Serbian
 - d. Italian
 - e. French
 - f. German - and Bob comments “Wie Schade” (what a shame)

4. Who is Tom Gump
 - a. Forest Gump's father
 - b. RI Aide to the President
 - c. Member of Congress
 - d. Public Defender
5. Bonus Question: Victor Fleming asks in 6-across for a five-letter answer to "Louis Armstrong nickname." If you have to go look up Louis Armstrong, you are disqualified! Answer = Satch

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