

# TWO LIGHTS

**Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth**

**June 11, 2025**



## **Upcoming Dates:**

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

**June 17, 5:30** – Joint Board Meeting (via Zoom)

**June 18** – NO CLUB MEETING. However the District's Changeover will take place on that evening – see details in invitation email from Emma Bodwell

**June 19** – SPCE Rotary at the Sea Dogs! Price of admission = \$40 (or more!) donation to PolioPlus – give your check to Nicole, or let her know that you're sending it in yourself. (And remember all donations are matched 2:1 by the Gates Foundation!) Like last year, in addition to your ticket to the game, your donation also buys you hot dogs, pizza, fruit & cheese platter and Sea Dogs biscuits (you're on your own for beverages and any other food items).

**June 21 – 25** – Rotary International Convention, Calgary, Alberta

**June 22, 7:30 a.m.** – Registration for campers at RYLA, Camp Hinds

**June 24, 5:30** – Dinner with RYLA campers at Camp Hinds

**June 25, 5:45** – Year End Change-over Celebration at Port Harbor Boathouse. \$20 pp. Sign up and make your meal selection using the link in Scott's email (or if you can't find the email, the link is on the club website under "Upcoming Events"). The Foundation Football Yorkie Trophy will also be presented at this event.

**June 26, 5:30** – South Portland Food Cupboard

**July 2** – NO MEETING

**July 7** – Sounds by the Sea at Fort Williams: Maine Marimba Ensemble (picnic shelter)

**July 9** – Club Internal Business – Planning for the new Rotary year!

**July 13** – Parking at Paint for Preservation (Cape Elizabeth Land Trust)

**July 14** - Sounds by the Sea at Fort Williams: Ocean House Road Band (picnic shelter)

**July 16** – Elizabeth Dugan, Maine 2025 Healthy Aging Data

**July 23** – Lobsterbake!

**July 26** – Bug Light 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!

**June 25 Duties**

Opening Words – Sturtevant

Raffle Gift – Dugan

**July 9 Duties**

Opening Words – Tranfaglia

Raffle Gift – Filieo

Meeting Room Setup – *please sign up\**

Owl – *please sign up*

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


**What's New With Our Members (& Friends)**

*Thank you to Anne Swift-Kayatta for taking notes at the 6/11 meeting!*


*Thank you to everyone who worked at the Public Works lunch!*

*And thank you to everyone who worked at our popcorn & whoopie pie sale at Cape Fest (f/k/a Family Fun Day), especially to Chuck and Dave Bagdasarian Jr. for organizing everything!*

*Happy Birthday to*

 *Sam Wilkens-O'Brien (June 25)*

 *Dan Davidson (June 30)*

 *Sue Sturtevant (born on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July)*

 *Sybil Riemensnider (July 8)*

*Happy Anniversary to*

- 👤 Catherine & Jim Dorrington (June 16)*
- 👤 Anne & Bill Kayatta (June 17)*
- 👤 DeeDee & Rick Wacksman (June 18)*
- 👤 Sari Greene & Eric Boutiette (June 19)*
- 👤 Bill & Diane York (June 19)*
- 👤 Chris & Ellie Speh (June 21)*
- 👤 Nancy & Scott Irving (June 30)*

*Congratulations to Tony who won a Terra Cotta gift certificate courtesy of Catherine Dorrington!*

*Congratulations (?) to Sam Wilkens-O'Brien who is now the keeper of the key to Bug Light!*

**Come to Camp!!** – We've been hearing for months how successful our Youth Services Committee has been at helping the South Portland and Cape Elizabeth high schools recruit students for RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards). And we even had RYLA graduates from each school speak to our club (including Catherine Callahan's daughter Audrey!). And next week we will get a chance to see firsthand what all the fuss is about. We have two opportunities to participate – helping with registration on Sunday morning, June 22 or being a guest at dinner on Tuesday, June 24.



Here is more information from RYLA co-director Tim Moyer:

**Opportunity #1**

Event: RYLA Welcome

Date: Sunday, June 22nd

Time: 7:30am-1:00pm

Where: Camp Hinds HQ (park at the parking lot after driving into Camp Hinds)

Description: Help us set up headquarters for Registration on Day 1 as we welcome this year's campers. Enjoy a tour of the campground with RYLA staff, participate in a RYLA activity, ring in camp with the Scouts in the Dining Hall, and enjoy a buffet-style Lunch!

## **Opportunity #2**

Event: RYLA 2025 Final Campfire

Date: Tuesday, June 24th

Time: 5:30pm-7:30pm

Where: Camp Hinds Fire Ring by waterfront (park at the parking lot after driving into Camp Hinds)

Description: Join us for our final gathering as a full camp following a week of challenges, discovery, and growth in the fire ring. We will watch skits created by campers, pay tribute to the immense efforts of Rotary, and hear from Director Jacey and I as we recap the week and where to go from here. *(Editor's note – the campfire takes place after dinner in the dining hall – I have never actually stayed for the campfire itself so feel free to come for just the dinner or both. Even if you just come for dinner, you'll have the opportunity to sit with campers and hear about their experiences at camp.)*

**Thank You New England Lighthouse Lovers!!** – Tony asked the organization for a grant to help with the cost of painting Bug Light and on June 11 the membership approved donating \$4,205 (half the contracted cost of \$8,410) towards the painting costs!

**South Portland Housing Authority Opportunity** – Brent asked me to pass on information about the new SPHA building at 101 Preble Street that is opening in July in case anyone reading this might know someone who would like this information. Rents for 1 Bedroom apartments will be \$1,332, with utilities and Wi-Fi included. Applicants must be 55 years of age or older. Brent will be happy to talk to anyone that might be interested.

**SpringFest Discussion** – Here are the observations that Anne recorded:

Many people came out, in spite of the rain.

Positives:

- Second year at Redbank was great; ice cream a big plus
- Giving out books to kids was great.

Ideas to improve:

- Should be a COMMITTEE, not just one or two people running it. Was too much stress on Jim Britt. But would enough people actually volunteer to be on committee?
- Get a couple of walkie-talkies.
- Have Redbank road race lead directly to other activities.
- Have more activities nearer the gazebo.
- Bring back Score-O.
- Have more garbage cans.
- Have a sign saying "Drop-off area" with traffic cones and orange neon vests.

It was also suggested that we speak with the City of South Portland and other partners to get their thoughts.

**And Foundation Football Discussion** – Here is how Anne summarized the discussion that took place during the June 11 meeting:

- There was a thoughtful discussion.
- Club members thanked Hannah for bringing up the issue.
- Why not look at/be open to other ideas?
- Some members prefer NO discussion on political issues.
- We apply the four-way test to ourselves, not to other organizations.
- Consensus at meeting: continue Foundation Football.

**More from Memory Lane** –



Tony Wagner said that he was there when this photo was taken so he was able to add some details:

- That is Bill York at the rental fryer on the left, the one that took about 1 hour to set, level, fill, and start, usually with help from Yerxa.
- In the middle by the door is Alec Livingston imparting knowledge to Dave Smith and others, who would be headed inside the trailer to do the flouring and dough rolling.
- It is clear that this is BEFORE the dough rolling because when they came back out they were sweaty and WHITE all over.
- Rolling the dough (with rolling pins, not a machine) inside the tin can of a trailer in the summer was not a pleasant job – hence the transition to the open air trailer we’ve been using for years – and the purchase of a rolling machine!
- Note the importance of having a uniform at that time.
- Also note that if it rained, no canopy!

### **Bob's June Rotary Magazine Quiz**

1. RI President Stephanie posted her last words. What was her theme?
  - a. Fellowship and Friendship
  - b. Unity and Good Will
  - c. The Magic of Rotary
  - d. The Right Stuff
2. RI's Convention will be held in Calgary, Alberta this month. How many languages are spoken there?
  - a. English only
  - b. 50
  - c. 98
  - d. 165
3. What the heck is a pansori?
  - a. An Indian sitar
  - b. An Italian cuisine
  - c. An early radio
  - d. A Korean drum
4. What, in square miles, is the total area of Sicily?
  - a. 9,974
  - b. 1,495
  - c. 5,876
  - d. 7,827

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