

Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth November 20, 2024



Upcoming Dates:

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

November 23, 9 – 10:30 a.m. - Corey Hinton, leader of Drummond Woodsum's Tribal Nations Practice Group will be speaking about the issues facing Maine's indigenous nations. Via zoom, presented by the district's Indigenous Peoples Committee.

November 23 (Sat.) – Tree Lot Setup

November 27 – No meeting, Happy Thanksgiving!!

November 29 (Fri.) -1^{st} Tree Delivery

December 3 (Tues) & 5 (Thurs) – Service opportunity at Partners for World Health. There will be opportunities to work in the morning or in the afternoon – or both! If these days don't fit your schedule, there will be more opportunities to work at PWH in the spring. See online signup.

December 5, 5:30 (or when you can get there) until 7:30 (or earlier) – Food processing at South Portland Food Cupboard (note this is not the usual time since it was pushed to a later date due to Thanksgiving).

December 6 (2:00 -7:00) & 7 (9:00 – 3:00) – Sharp-eyed readers will notice that the 2nd date of the work party at Partners for World Health has changed from Friday to Thursday. That's because Friday is the first day of their **International Artisan Fair**. When PWH does a medical mission trip to a foreign land with suitcases full of medical supplies and birthing kits, they fill up the suitcases returning home with items they've bought from the locals – jewelry, scarves, hats, pottery, all kinds of stuff – and they sell them at the Artisan Fair at amazingly low prices – all to benefit PWH. A great place to do some holiday shopping!!!

December 4 – Club Internal Business and Classification Talk

December 7 (Sat.) -2^{nd} Tree Delivery

December 11 – Stefanie Gill, IntWork LLC

December 18 – NO Meeting – we will party on the next day instead!

December 19, 5:30 – 7:30 – Party at Purpoodock! We will have a social hour with heavy hors d'oeuvres – details are being worked out – put it on your calendar!

December 25 – NO Meeting – Happy Holidays!

January 1 – NO Meeting – Happy New Year!!

January 2 – Food Processing at South Portland Food Cupboard

December 4 Duties

Opening Words – Leasure Raffle Gift – Wacksman Meeting Room Setup – *please sign up** Owl – *please sign up*

December 11 Duties

Opening Words – LoBosco Raffle Gift – Wagner Meeting Room Setup – *please sign up** Owl – *please sign up*

Meeting Setup Reminder: Locker Combination is 11-21-11 *And a tip about the meeting setup – if you sign up, you won't be doing it alone – there are always people there to help!

<u>President Nancy's Questions of the Week</u>. What is something you like to do by yourself?

<u>**Opening Words**</u> – Rupa has a temporary conflict on Wednesday evenings but she sent these service-focused opening words to President Nancy:

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." – Mahatma Gandhi

"Ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country." – John F. Kennedy

What's New With Our Members (& Friends)

Happy Birthday to

- 🛎 Tom Hamerskí Nov. 26
- 🛎 Míke Tranfaglía Dec. 2
- 🛎 Adrienne Murphy Dec. 8

Congratulations to Catherine who won a gift certificate to Nonesuch Books donated by Mike Tranfaglia.

Our sincere condolences to the family of Peggy Packer who passed away recently. Peggy was the wife of the late Bob Packer, who was president of our club in 2001-02

Thank you to the crew that moved the trailer to Mill Creek Park and put up our sign at the entrance to the park:

- 🔺 Tony Wagner
- 🔺 Matt McAleney
- 🌲 John LoBosco
- 🌲 Peter Bennett
- 🌲 Jím Welch





<u>Guests</u> – Is she really a guest? Jill Nadeau joined us again – and some of us will see her on the tree lot since she has signed up for some shifts!

Inside Information? – How is Bob Danielson able to accumulate so many correct picks in the football pool? He won yet again this week, one ahead of Phil, Bill Anderson and Dick Yerxa. This makes three weekly wins (tied with Dick) and he continues to lead the total picks with 222 (4 more than Dick).

<u>Money Talk</u> – Scott gave a brief demonstration of how to use the iPad to record tree sales. To get started click on the Square icon on the home page – then just click on the items the customer wants to buy. If you get lost, go to the "Checkout" screen. Other tips:

- The iPad does not have to be plugged in but especially if it's cold you might want to plug it into the battery pack and keep the battery in the apron pocket.
- Consider putting the charger in its heated sleeping bag at night.
- There are 2 iPads and 2 card readers each card reader goes with a particular iPad they're labeled though so it shouldn't be a problem matching them up.
- Please record EVERY sale, even if the customer pays with cash.
- The vast majority of cards will work by tapping so try that first.
- If you're on the first shift of the day, you can pick up change at Bath Savings Institution.
- At the end of the day, please deposit cash in the BSI night deposit slot, UNLESS it's Saturday since we will need starting cash on Sunday.
- If in doubt about anything, there are clear instructions in the trailer.

How's Their Character? – This week's speaker reminded me of the Vocational Service aspect of Rotary, something that doesn't receive much focus anymore. It's all about carrying the ethics of Rotary, including the 4-Way test, into the workplace. And that's exactly what our speaker, South Portland High School (SPHS) head football coach Aaron Filieo, is all about. As Jim Britt put it, he "teaches as much about character as about football." Aaron has 21 years experience as a head coach, currently at SPHS and 15 years before that building the program at CEHS. His son is a senior at SPHS and was captain of the football team; needless to say Dad is very proud!

Aaron views the football program as teaching students how to approach life after high school, since the vast majority will not be playing at the college level. He encourages students to strive for the "championship level" in everything they do. He believes in character building so much that he designed t-shirts for the team that say "How's My Character" with his own phone number underneath!

Since service is one of the components of character, Coach Aaron has offered their services to help with the tree sale – if you want to meet some of the team, come to the tree lot setup on Saturday where they will be helping with the heavy lifting!



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