

TWO LIGHTS

**Rotary Club of South Portland – Cape Elizabeth
October 30, 2024**



Upcoming Dates:

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

November 4, 7 p.m. – Tree Sale Committee meeting at Matt's office

November 6 – District Governor Visit from Bob MacKenzie

November 13 – Club Assembly (Internal Club Business)

November 20 – Doug Schauf, Navigating Today's Real Estate Market

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 29 (Fri.) – 1st Tree Delivery

December 3 (Tues) & 6 (Fri) – Service opportunity at Partners for World Health. Details to come.

December 7 (Sat.) – 2nd Tree Delivery

November 6 Duties

Opening Words – S. Irving

Raffle Gift – Sturtevant

Meeting Room Setup - Bentley

Owl – *please sign up*

November 13 Duties

Opening Words – Knupp
Raffle Gift – Swift-Kayatta
Meeting Room Setup – *please volunteer*
Owl – McDonald

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

President Nancy's Questions of the Week
I'm a Rotarian because...

Opening Words – Youth Service Director explained the progress we have been making with gaining support from the high schools for programs such as Interact and RYLA. He shared with us these thoughts about students:

When they are young, we encourage our students to be go-getters. However when they enter high school, perhaps we can begin to quietly impart that if they want to be happy, they must transition from being a go-getter to a go-giver.

Perhaps we could call their attention that the philosophers (St. Francis, Buddha, Mohammad, Maimonides) all spoke the truth when they said "the way to serve yourself is to serve others" and "the only way to be fulfilled, please and happy is to give instead of trying to get."

"Service to others," three simple words that describe what Rotary is all about. Nice words to live by, nice words to impart to students!

What's New With Our Members (& Friends)

Happy Birthday to

 *Matt McAleney (November 8)*

 *Nicole Albert (November 13)*

Happy Anniversary to Adrienne & Steve Murphy!

Congratulations to Jeff Gabrielson who won the raffle gift - a donation to the charity of his choice from Patty Sprague

Thank you to those who worked at Camp Harvest dispensing popcorn and cotton candy:

- ❖ *Bev*
- ❖ *Sari*
- ❖ *Ray*
- ❖ *Nicole*
- ❖ *Peter B*
- ❖ *Phil*
- ❖ *Kathy C*

(I hope I got everyone!)

AND thank you to these volunteers who packed emergency preparedness kits at the South Portland Public Library:

- ❖ *Dan & Edie Davidson*
- ❖ *Kathy Cotter*
- ❖ *Peter Bennett*
- ❖ *Michele Danois*

AND thank you to Tony Wagner and Jaymie Chamberlin for painting at Bug Light

November Rotaversaries

- 🌀 *Hannah Olshansky - 2 years*
- 🌀 *Mark Leasure - 9 years*
- 🌀 *Kathy Cotter - 19 years*
- 🌀 *Adrienne Murphy - 32 years*
- 🌀 *Bob Knupp - 44 years (here and in Pennsylvania)*

Guests – We were pleased to have Dr. Kristen Miller, President of SMCC join us this week. We were also joined by Jill Nadeau who now has better attendance than most Rotarians!

***Another Pin!** – In anticipation of Rotary Foundation Month (November), Foundation Chair Nicole kicked off with a presentation of a PHF+2 pin to Catherine Callahan. Thank you, Catherine, for your generosity!!*



From Commissioner Emeritus Chuck – They might as well keep the York trophy out at Warren Avenue permanently as Dick won for the second week in a row and now has three weekly wins before the season is half over!! His 42 point guesstimate versus the Monday night 44 total was closer than Dave or me. Dick is also only two points from Bob in total correct picks YTD.



Here is the Yorkie trophy at Yerxa's Power Equipment in Portland.

Thank you to Dick's daughter Nicole who placed it on the counter for this photo, and who prints the bulletin every week for Dick to read.

Congratulations to Founding Father!!!!

Happy Anniversary, Bug Light! – Sue Sturtevant is chair of the Bug Light Anniversary Celebration Committee. The lighthouse will be 150 years old in 2025! The committee has been making plans for celebrations next summer, the highlight of which will be a Lighthouse Lovers event on July 26 – mark your calendars!

Tree Sale Report – Tree Sale Committee chair Matt reminded of the crucial dates for setup and delivery (see above) and assured us that SPHS student athletes will be available to help with the heavy lifting. He also reported that we're not re-inventing the wheel – the tree sale has gone very smoothly the past few years so no need to fix what ain't broken. He did warn us however that the calendar brings us an extremely short selling season this year so we'll be open 7 days a week, and it will be important for everyone to sign up for early shifts.

Bill Gates & Dr. Peter Salk Hobnobbing – In the past couple week or so both Bill Gates and Dr. Peter Salk (son of Jonas Salk) had the privilege of being seen in company with our own Mike McGovern, Chair of RI's PolioPlus Committee. Mike was in Pittsburgh for World Polio Day last week and participated in a panel discussion that also included RI President Stephanie Urchick, Dor. Salk and RI Past President John Germ. Here is a link to the video – Mike comes on about halfway through and I think you'll enjoy listening to him.

<https://youtu.be/OZvIS5GxZcQ>

Mike couldn't attend our meeting this week because he was in Seattle to meet with the Gates Foundation about polio funding.



From Baked Beans to Cutting Edge Technology – Our speaker this week was Margaret Angell, Head of Partnerships & Strategic Initiatives at the Roux Institute. Before speaking about Roux however, she shared with us how helpful our Rotary scholarship was to a high school student who used to babysit for her kids and is now a student at Connecticut College.

Margaret described the formation of Roux by David Roux, who grew up in Lewiston and wanted to grow the technology sector in Maine so that kids wouldn't feel the need to move away in order to have careers in cutting edge fields. His aim was to create a world class institution of higher education in Maine that would integrate with existing educational institutions. In scouting around for a university to partner with, they landed on Northeastern, which has built a global university system and is one of the fastest growing research universities in the US. The Roux Institute focuses on graduate education, research and entrepreneurship. She noted that only 20% of their students take on debt because every student gets a scholarship from the Alford Foundation. Most of us have heard of Roux in the new recently because they broke ground in September to build a campus at the site of the B&M Bake Beans factory. She said the Institute is well into the capital campaign to fund the construction.

Preview of Coming Attractions – Our speaker next week is the District Governor for our Rotary district (7780) Bob MacKenzie. In his day job Bob is the Chief of Police in Kennebunk, having risen through the ranks since joining them in 1988 to become Chief in 2008. He is a graduate of the 243rd FBI National Academy and has a BS in Criminal Justice from Husson University.

Bob's passion (along with Rotary of course) is supporting individuals who are suffering from substance use disorder. He chairs the district's Recovery Initiative Committee which just recently held its third annual Recovery Conference in September. It is customary for clubs to present a gift to the District Governor when he speaks to the club, so our club is making a donation to the Recovery Initiative Committee in his name.

District Governors are expected to visit and make a presentation to every club in the district, as well as to participate in planning district events and be on top of what's going on in the district. Which sounds like a full-time job in itself, and yet being police chief is also a very demanding full-time job. Let's try to have a good turnout on Wednesday to show Bob that we appreciate the Service Above Self he's displaying by serving as our District Governor!

Bob's October Rotary Quiz

1. What is significant about October 24? (*this is a gimme – answer above!*)
 - a. Confederate Remembrance Day
 - b. World Polio Day
 - c. Liz Cheney's birthday
 - d. South Portland's founding day
2. Where is the Fjadargkjufur canyon located?
 - a. Sweden
 - b. South Africa
 - c. Iceland
 - d. Greenland

3. Speaking of polio, when was the first outbreak in the US?
 - a. 1874
 - b. 1894
 - c. 1904
 - d. 1916
4. What is the Rotary program known as 3-H?
 - a. Humanity, Humbleness and Humility
 - b. Health, Humanity and Honesty
 - c. Health, Hunger and Humanity
 - d. None of the above
5. The legendary football coach Vince Lombardi is remembered with the Rotary Lombardi trophy annually. Which Rotary Club presents it?
 - a. McKeesport
 - b. Green Bay
 - c. Houston
 - d. Akron

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