



Service Above Self

## Rotary Club of Portland Maine

### The Windjammer

Monday, January 24, 2011



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If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.

#### Future Speakers

**Jan 28 2011**  
Keith Burkley- Time Warner Cable President  
*"TWC - Present and Future"*

**Feb 4 2011**  
Michael Franz, Professor at Bowdoin College  
*"Maine Political Advertising"*

**Feb 11 2011**  
Survivor Bob Crowley  
*"[our Valentines Day program]"*

**Feb 18 2011**  
Bob McKenzie, Kennebunk Police  
*"Teen Drinking"*

**Feb 25 2011**  
President Rick Snow  
*"Club Assembly"*

**Mar 4 2011**  
Cyrus Hagge  
*"Rotary Foundation Meeting"*

**Mar 11 2011**  
Victoria Rogers  
*"5-2-1-0 Program"*

**Mar 18 2011**  
Katy Foly Cary Cartwright  
*"Jobs for Maine Graduates"*

**Mar 25 2011**  
Robert Clark - Social Security Admin  
*"Social Security and You"*

#### Upcoming Events

**Pizza Bowl!**  
Jan 30 2011

#### THIS WEEK: OUR HEARINGHEARTS ARE BACK!

by John Marr

Our speakers this week are Drs. Elizabeth and Roger Fagan. Elizabeth, a Speech Language Pathologist and Roger an Audiologist founded "Hearts for Hearing" to help the hearing impaired in the Dominican Republic.

They are part of a Rotary team that brings new and used hearing aids, as well as solar chargers to recharge the batteries of the hearing aids they fit the hearing impaired. In addition, they provide speech therapy to supplement the hearing aid fittings and distribute speech therapy materials for the non-verbal patients.

Be sure to attend this Friday's meeting as Elizabeth and Roger report on their most recent trip to the Dominican Republic. It promises to be an informative program illustrating how Rotary teams help change the lives of people throughout the world.

#### LAST WEEK: : HELPING TO MAKE MAINE WORK

by William Blount

Our members and guests were enlightened by Rich Pattenaude, Chancellor of the University of Maine System with its seven campuses. Rich reminded us that when he last visited Portland Rotary, several years ago, he held the position of President of University of Southern Maine.

Change Happens and "Fine" is the new four letter F bomb in the system. Fine is faint unacceptable praise for the changes Rich is bringing to his commitment to the mission of the University. Pattenaude's principal vision is that the University system should work to make Maine's economy stronger. In spite of the challenges of a seven percent workforce reduction, and budget cuts, Rich has created and maintained a strategic investment fund of two million dollars. Our legislators could learn a thing or two from the non-state agency over which Rich presides.

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The Student Success Center initiative has increased graduation and retention rates. Furthermore, Online Maine campus saw an 11% increase in enrollment in 2010. While lesser attended concentrations have been eliminated, honors and engineering grad school and Masters of Special Education programs have been added.

Rich pledges his colleagues will 1. listen carefully to all customers, 2. make Maine work as he explained the strategic role of the universities in their communities, 3. utilize resources carefully and 4. MAKE TOUGH DECISIONS! He reminded us that great ideas often turn into hard work but the Maine University System is ready. Pertinent questions followed from the usual suspects asking Rich to explain the merits of the seven campus structure, the quality of online instruction, marketing initiatives and any adjustments expected because of the changes in leadership in August on the relationship with the University System. The gathering was quite impressed with Rich's leadership style.

**BITS & PIECES**

*by Hilda Taylor*

**MUSIC TO MY EARS!**

Ever have a song stuck in your head no matter what you do? Our rough version of "Vive Le Rotary", led by **Russ Burleigh** and **Jim Willey**, just would not leave me all weekend! Luckily, we had no guests at this week's meeting or they might never have come back!

**CLEANING UP TALK**

Talk around my table was about getting rid of stuff: downsizing, decluttering, donating. We can all be thinking about this for the Annual Rotary Re-Gifting Auction! The date will be March 18th to coincide with our Club Assembly. Details to follow once we get past THE PIZZA BOWL!

**MOVE OVER REGIS AND KELLY**

President **Rick Snow** and Secretary **Loretta Rowe** appeared on "Good Morning Maine" last week with WGME's Jeff Peterson, one of the celebrity judges for The Pizza Bowl! Click here to see the video:

<http://www.myfoxmaine.com/good-day-maine/interviews-commentary/Loretta-Rowe-and-Rick-Snow-Pizza-Bowl-113595364.html>

You can hear them live on WLOB radio next Friday, 1/28 at 7:00 AM too!

Volunteers and supplies are still needed for the event! Contact Loretta if you can help, call 883-5432 or email [lrowe@maine.rr.com](mailto:lrowe@maine.rr.com)

The **Pizza Bowl** will be held on Sunday, January 30th from 11:30-1:30, the weekend before the Super Bowl that nobody cares about anymore since the Patriots lost, embarrassingly, to the Jets. Tickets are \$10 for adults; \$5 for kids 5-11 and seniors 65+. All are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item for the Salvation Army.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

( if you have an or know of an upcoming event that is likely to be of interest to Portland Rotary Club members, please send the information along to John Marr at [jmarr@memic.com](mailto:jmarr@memic.com) )

Now and going forward: Hear Ye, Hear Ye!!!

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/7780//HTML/114757//JanuaryDistrictNewsletter.pdf>

Above is a link to Governor Ann Lee Hussey's January newsletter. The newsletter includes:

District Calendar

RI President Ray Comes to 7780

Polio Plus Update

Rotary's Ethical Test

Rotary Leadership Institute

How is Your Club Doing

District 7780 Support for Guatemala Literacy

Upcoming Events

As always - - Lots of Club news.

January 27th is the **Club Visioning event**, starting at 4:30 PM, for a dinner discussion of where we want to see the club five years from now. President Rick will preside and it goes to show that even a die hard conservative like Rick, is willing to tolerate something from the

Communist regime!

February 20-26 - **Rotary's Polio Awareness Week.**

Tuesday, February 22 - World Peace and Understanding Dinner with extra-

special guest RI President Ray Klinginsmith will be held at the Portland Airport Wyndham Hotel, 500 Maine Mall Road, South Portland, ME. Tickets are \$43/person and will sell out fast! Download registration form here:

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/7780//HTML/113739//WorldPeaceRegistrationForm.pdf>

Sunday, February 27 - Rotary and Red Claws Basketball. Enjoy District fellowship and raise money for polio eradication at the Portland Expo.

**THIS WEEK: WHO'S DOING WHAT?**

*by Elise Hodgkin*

Registration	Matthew Tassej
Meal Ticket Sales	Loretta Rowe
Buffet Table Tickets	Michael Reed
Greeter	David Smith
Raffle	Thomas Ranello
Invocateur	Peggy Wescott
Music	Peggy Wescott ( <i>Kris Rosado</i> )
Sgt at Arms - Early	Toby Cook
Sgt at Arms - Late	Mitchell Vance

