

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



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Rotary Theme for 2013-2014: "Engage Rotary – Change Lives"

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<u>Good Morning and Welcome!</u> Today is the 176th day of 2014. There are 189 days remaining in the year. We do not have a formal program this morning. Chris Summers is our greeter. Also, in case you haven't noticed, <u>Christmas is 6 months from today!</u>

Calendar: The first name listed is Program Chair, the second is Greeter. Please let President Dave, Program Chair Christina Twitchell or Reader Editor John Griffith know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. Please remember that when you are Program Chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the Club's paraphernalia.

6/25 - Visioning Committee meeting at 4:30 at Ron Morse's in Norway

6/28 - Changeover cook out at Chris Twitchell's in Oxford

6/30 – Board meeting at NPC-TV, Marston St., Norway

7/2 - No Wednesday meeting

7/3 – Joint meeting with Kiwanis and Lois Strauss

7/9 - Jack Richardson and Joel Speakman

7/10 – Bethel Rotary 40th Anniversary dinner

7/16 - Final Auction Prep and Jack Sours

Visiting Rotarians and quests: There were no visiting Rotarians or guests last week.

Rotary Moment:

Paul told us that the largest Rotary Club in the world is in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. It was established in 1929 and has 615 members. He also had a question for us: What do the clubs in Quito, Ecuador, Kampala, Uganda and Singapore have in common? They all meet on the Equator. There was a fourth club but I didn't get it in my notes.

<u>Our song last week was "If You're Happy and You Know It" with special emphasis on the last verse where</u> we shouted "Hoo-RAY" especially for Frank.

Announcements:

Talking with Beth Abbott Sunday evening, the <u>Changeover Dinner</u> will go on after all. We will be a having a cook out at President Chris's house on Saturday, June 28th.

The Bethel Club is having its 40th anniversary dinner on July 10th. If anyone is interested in attending, please speak to Dave or AG Beth.

George, Patty, Beth, Chris T. and John attended Fryeburg's 20th anniversary dinner on the 23rd.

A reminder that we will be having a joint meeting with Kiwanis on Thursday, July 3rd. There will be no Wednesday morning meeting – *got that Frank?*

Dues are due! If you need a payment slip, see Pat.

<u>Paul</u> - handed out the Lottery Raffle tickets for us to sell – 1 ticket for \$5, 3 for \$10 and 7 for \$20. Each of us has 5 booklets of 7. The tickets cost us \$340; last year we made a little over \$2,000. The tickets we purchased have a potential payout of \$750K to \$1M.

<u>Susan</u> – Relay for Life raised \$37,000 this year. A lot of people left early this year probably because of the change of venue to the high school. It was not as much fun sleeping in a tent in the school as out on Gouin Field as in previous years. On the whole, though, it was a successful event. Susan thanked Jack for arranging for the Casino to donate and prepare the pancake batter for the breakfast. She also thanked all of the Rotarians who came to help out with the breakfast.

Don't forget that we are still looking for <u>Crutches for Africa</u> – and walkers and wheel chairs. If you have anything, bring them to the meeting and Dave will take them.

Bob is looking for someone to be at the storage trailer on Cottage Street either Saturday evening the 28th or Sunday morning the 29th as he has rented the moon bounce and needs someone there when it is returned.

The <u>Visioning Committee</u> will be meeting tonight at Ron Morse's house. Hopefully all of the board members have had a chance to read the proposed by-laws and make suggestions for changes, additions, deletions and whatever. The plan is for the Visioning committee to incorporate those changes and present the new by-laws to the club at a meeting in July. The board approved Patty Rice as chair to replace Susan Cairns.

<u>Visit to Exeter Rotary</u> — it looks like this will come to fruition. John has heard back from Burt Dibble, president of the Exeter Club. Burt has talked with Fred White and Fred says he and Ginger can make it to Rotary on either July 14th or July 21st. If you would like to go, please speak to John. Whichever day works for the most people is the day we will go. Exeter meets on Monday at noon at the Exeter Inn. We would need to leave by 9:45 and probably would not get back until 3:30.

Last week's program:

Our program last week was devoted to a discussion about the Auction. The solicitation list was passed around again as there are still some businesses that have not been taken. Also, there were some that were added. If you have solicited and know what is being donated, please put it down on the list. John

will be updating it weekly so that we hopefully will have a complete list of what was donated this year for next year. It was decided that we would be selling hamburgers, hotdogs, drinks and chips. We also talked about doing the ticket auction again this year. The feeling was that we would but it depends on what we get for donations.

<u>50/50</u> — Last week was Lois's lucky Wednesday as her number was drawn and she drew the King of Clubs, winning the \$505.00 in the pot. Congratulations, Lois!

<u>Birthdays in June:</u> Nancy (Dan) Allen – 6/4; David (Christina) Twitchell – 6/5; Vickie Conlon (Jon Roberts) - 6/10; Barbara (Jack) Sours – 6/14; Becky (Dave) Preble – 6/20; Lynne Schott – 6/22; Larry Jordan – 6/24

<u>Anniversaries in June:</u> George and Patty Rice -6/3; Bob and Lynne Schott -6/5; Joel and Heather Speakman -6/8; John and Shelley Griffith -6/21; Jack and Kathy Richardson -6/22; Phil and Shawn Libby -6/25

Membership Anniversaries in June: Curtis Cole - 30 years - 6/14; John Griffith - 8 years - 6/14

Make-ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel Inn, Bethel

www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Bridgton Alliance Church, Harrison Rd., Bridgton

www.lakeregionrotary.org

Fryeburg – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg

www.fryeburgrotary.org

Mountain Valley – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at Hope Association, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford

www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org

Interact meeting – Thursday, 2:30 PM at OHCHS, Room E220

The 4-Way Test of the things we think, say or do:

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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