The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills PO Box 14 Norway, ME 04268

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Our mission: The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills is a diverse group of service-oriented men and women providing hands on and financial support within our community and beyond. We exemplify "Service Above Self" while encouraging high ethical standards, enjoying friendship and promoting world understanding, peace and good will."

2022-2023 Officers:

Rotary International President: Jennifer Jones, Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Windsor, Ontario, Canada - District 7780 Governor: Claudia Frost, Rotary Club of Brunswick – Oxford Hills Rotary President – George Rice – President-Elect: Beth Abbott – Vice-president: Dan Allen - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Club Service Chair: Paul Thornfeldt – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Peter Kaurup - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice

<u>Good Morning and Welcome!</u> Today is the 165th day of 2023 and it is Flag Day. There are 200 days remaining in the year. Curtis Cole is program chair and Connor Burnam is our greeter.

Calendar: The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter. Please let Reader editor John Griffith John know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. You can reach John at 207-461-7158 or at griffs2@roadrunner.com. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club paraphernalia.

June:

- 21 Rotarian of the Year and Changeover Dinner at the Victorian-on-Main, 5:00 PM.
- 25 Road Toll for Ukraine Relief, 10:00 AM 2:00 PM by the OHCHS tennis courts. Hopefully, the third time is the charm.
- 28 Tally Decato and Dan Allen

July:

- 3 Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office (tentative)
- <u>5 Tina Fox and Val Weston. Tina will be doing her updated classification talk.</u>
- 12 John Griffith and Paul Thornfeldt
- 19 Dan Hart and Chris Summers
- 26 Glenn Huntley and Warren Spencer

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Jeff Noblin from Point Pleasant, West Virginia, was the guest of George Rice for the final time as he was inducted as our newest member. David Knox was the guest of Liz Knox. Frank Shorey and Joel Speakman joined us on Zoom.

Membership Proposal:

Norway Fire Chief, David Knox, has been proposed for membership by Liz Knox. David has been a long-time participant in many of our events and I think I can speak for the entire club when I say that we are thrilled he has decided to finally become a member. If anyone has any comments, questions, or concerns about this proposal, please speak to a board member.

Announcements:

<u>Bob Schott</u> – Well, somewhat ironically, the Road Toll for June 4 was cancelled due to the weather. It has been rescheduled for Sunday, June 25, from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Let's hope for better weather!

<u>John, Peter and Dan H.</u> – the 2022-2023 Rotarian of the Year has been chosen by the club and we three past ROTY are pleased and excited to honor the next ROTY at our dinner meeting next week.

<u>President George</u> – sign-up sheets were available for the Senior Picnic, Project Graduation and our Changeover and Rotarian of the Year Dinner. The dinner will be held on Wednesday, June 21, at The Victorian on Main and the cost is \$35 pp. Please be sure to RSVP to George and prepay by Wed 6/14.

I understand from speaking with Beth at Project Graduation that the senior picnic went well and everyone had a great time. We also cooked hamburgers and hotdogs for Project Graduation on Saturday evening from 8:30 PM to about 10:00 PM. Not sure how many burgers and dogs we served, but it was a lot and the kids were very appreciative.

<u>Don't forget to send. George your monthly volunteer hours or write them in the book. It is important that we continue to do this.</u>

Last Week:

President George inducted Jeff Noblin as our newest member. Jeff is from West Virginia and is the new Administrator at Stephens Memorial Hospital. He has been a Rotarian for over 20 Years and is a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow.

President George presented Glenn Huntley with his badge sticker after reaching SPHF status of \$100 for the year.

Program Chair Connor Burnam introduced Dan Hart, Club Protection officer, who conducted a workshop about youth Protection and with member participation was very informative. He will recap results and share at a future date.

<u>50-50 -</u> Connor Burnam's number was drawn but he drew the King of Spades. Right King wrong suit. There was \$258 in the pot.

 Happy and Sad Dollars

<u>Val</u> had \$50 happy dollars for reaching her goal of having her real estate license for 50 years!

Bob asked us if we knew who hosted the 1st Project Graduation? It was held right here in Oxford Hills in 1980 and was held at the Racquetball Club hosted by Randy & Barbara Olson.

<u>Dave Preble</u> had Happy Dollars after confirming the Corn Hole Tournament will be held on Labor Day weekend at Ripley & Fletcher in South Paris. He also announced he had been 'harassed' by Frank Shorey because the Tampa Bay Rays had won 3 games to 1 against the Red Sox.

Tina was happy with all the cooperation she is getting with Senior Activities.

Pun for the week:

If a Lama with one "L" is a holy man, and a Llama with two "L's" is an animal, what is a three "L" Lllama?

It's a big fire in Boston.

A Daily Extra:

90 years ago on June 6, 1933, the first drive-in theater opened in Camden, New Jersey. It cost twenty-five cents per car plus twenty-five cents per person, with a maximum of \$1.00 per car

June is ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS Month:

June is considered as Rotary Fellowships Month in the Rotary calendar. However, there may be a misconception among Rotarians on what aspect of the RI programs is being celebrated for this month of June. "Rotary Fellowships" actually refers to the groups of Rotarians, Rotarian spouses and Rotaractors who join together to:

• Share a common interest in worthwhile recreational activities (sports, hobbies, etc.);

- Further their vocational development through acquaintance with others of the same profession;
- Make new friends around the world;
- Explore new opportunities for service; and
- Have fun and enhance their experience in Rotary.

Examples of Rotary Fellowships include: Rotarians on the Internet (ROTI), International Fellowship of Rotarians of Amateur Radio (ROAR), International Computer Users Fellowship of Rotarians (ICUFR), International Fellowship of Rotary Convention Goers, International Golfing Fellowship of Rotarians, International Fellowship of Rotarians Musicians, Rotary Global History Fellowship, etc.

The Rotary Code of Conduct:

As a Rotarian, I will:

- Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
- Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
- Avoid behaviour that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians.
- Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report
 any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report
 harassment

Birthdays and Anniversaries:

<u>June Birthdays</u> – Nancy (Dan) Allen – 6/4; Peter Kaurup – 6/17; Becky (Dave) Preble – 6/20; Lynne Schott – 6/22

<u>June Wedding Anniversaries</u> — Georg & Patty Rice – 6/3; Bob & Lynne Schott – 6/5; Joel & Heather Speakman – 6/8; Charlie & Tina Fox – 6/13; John & Shelley Griffith – 6/21

June Membership Anniversaries — Curtis Cole — 39 yrs. — 6/14

Make-Ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Grace Note Inn, Bethel www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Stella's on the Square, 6 North High St., Bridgton www.lakeregionrotary.org

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

River Valley – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2nd floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org

Interact – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School