The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



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

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

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."

2021-2022 Officers:

Rotary International President: Shekhar Mehta, Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanager, India - District 7780 Governor: Dick Hall, Rotary Club of Portland – Oxford Hills Rotary Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Pres. Elect: George Rice – Vice-president: Beth Abbott - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Lynne Schott – Club Service Chair: George Rice – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice

Welcome! Today is the 173rd day of 2022. There are 192 days remaining in the year. This week, we are meeting at Peter and Becky Kaurup's house, 101 Pointe Lane, in Norway, for our Rotarian of the Year presentation. Val Weston is scheduled to be our greeter. In the event of inclement weather, we will be meeting at the church in South Paris.

<u>Calendar:</u> The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter. Please let Reader editor John Griffith 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:

29 - Changeover and Dave Preble

July:

- 5 Board Meeting at South Paris Town office, 5:30 PM. This is a Tuesday as our normal Monday meeting falls on July 4th.
- 6 Classification Talk and Club Assembly
- 9 Rotary Yard Sale, OHCHS
- 13 Warren Spencer and Heidi Ortiz

July cont'd

20 - Chris Summers and Ron Morse

27 – Val Weston and Liz Knox

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Bonnie Gould, President of the Ossipee Valley Rotary Club, was our sole visiting Rotarian. There were no other guests.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Patty Rice told us that PP Bob Schott's Rotary moment last week was right on. Clubs that are alive are thriving. She then listed off all of the things that we have done or participated in so far this calendar year — including Students of the Month, Lobsters for Scholars, attending the District Conference and District Assembly, giving out scholarships to OHCHS seniors, Crutches for Africa and many other events.

Announcements:

<u>Stan</u> – we have tents to set up on Thursday, June 23, in Poland for Chris Summers's son's wedding and on Friday for the Alan Day Garden in Norway. Exact times to be determined as I write this.

 \underline{Tina} – don't forget that we will be cooking hamburgers and hot dogs for the teachers at OHCHS on Tuesday, June 21, from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. We also had a great turn out for the Senior picnic and Project Graduation. Everyone was very appreciative of our efforts.

<u>Beth</u> – the Fly-in/Drive-in Plane and Car show is a go for Saturday, July 2nd at the Oxford Airport. We will again be cooking hamburgers and hot dogs. We don't have to supply anything, just show up to cook.

Last Week:

Co-President Chris led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. Glenn gave the blessing and Dan A. led us in singing "God Bless Our Rotary."

Chris presented perfect attendance awards to John, Peter, Val, Chris, Joel and Warren.

Program chair Bob Schott talked about electric cars (EVs) and gave us a bit of history on them and how things might be different today if oil and gasoline had not been as inexpensive as they were 100+ years ago. The first electric cars in the early 1900's used lead-acid batteries which were not known for their longevity. However, more electric cars were sold in 1902-1903 than gasoline powered cars. They were quiet and easy to drive which made them popular with women. Various attempts were made through the years to bring EVs into the mainstream but oil, gasoline, corporate leadership and government always won out. It wasn't until California passed a law in 1990 requiring 2% of the vehicles sold in that state must

be alternatively powered that any real effort was made to invest time and money into EVs. Interestingly, the introduction of lithium batteries for use in cell phones and computers brought car batteries to the forefront.

(3) Happy and Sad Dollars (3)

<u>Tally –</u> had a question dollar. She needs her deck painted and was wondering if anyone knew of someone who could do that for her.

Dan A. had a happy to be back dollar. So far, so good medically speaking.

Warren said that he and Susan signed the papers on their home in Norway two years ago.

Val had a thank you dollar for Paul's help in cleaning out her old office.

<u>Glenn</u> was happy that his son was home for his annual visit. They went canoeing from Gilead to Bethel and ran into Ann Carter.

<u>Paul</u> thanked Val for her generosity and that he added \$700.00 to our auction fund from the items she donated.

<u>Tina</u> told us that this weekend she and Charlie will celebrate their 35th Anniversary with a trip to Moosehead.

<u>Chris</u> said that his mom was scheduled to arrive from Tennessee this afternoon (now last week) for her annual visit if her flight didn't get cancelled.

John had happy dollars for Tina for all the time and effort she put in for Senior picnic and Project Grad.

Bob had some sad dollars because his and Lynne's family get together had to be cancelled because of Covid. They are going to try again later.

50/50 – Patty drew Val's number but Val didn't win the \$21.00 in the pot.

Puns for the Week:

Never trust an atom. They make up everything.

Coffee has a rough time in our house. It gets mugged every morning.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

<u>June Birthdays –</u> Nancy (Dan) Allen – 6/4; Peter Kaurup – 6/17; Cory (Heidi Ortiz) Stolzenburg – 6/8; Becky (Dave) Preble – 6/20; Lynne Schott – 6/21

June Wedding Anniversaries — George & 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 - John Griffith - 16 yrs. - 6/7; Curtis Cole - 38 yrs. - 6/14

The 4-Way Test:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and FRIENDSHIPS?
 - 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Make-Ups:

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

www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Community Center, 15 Depot 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