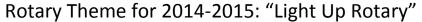


# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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**Welcome!** Today is the 197<sup>th</sup> day of 2014. There are 168 days remaining in the year. This morning, we will be finalizing the Auction weekend. Jack Sours is our greeter.

Calendar: The first name listed is Program Chair, the second is Greeter. Please let President Chris, Program Chair Chris Summers 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.

### 7/19 - AUCTION!!

7/23 – Lynne Schott and Curtis Smith

7/24 - Songo River Queen Cruise with Kiwanis, 7:00 PM in Naples

7/30 – Bob Schott and Frank Shorey

8/4 – Board Meeting at TD Bank, Oxford, 5:30 PM

8/6 – Frank Shorey and Bob Schott

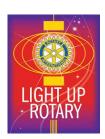
8/13 - Lobster & Steak Fest meeting and Lynne Schott

<u>Visiting Rotarians and guests:</u> Warren Spencer visited from the South Berwick club. PP Dave Whittier also joined us. Kristi Bancroft and Ana Mladenonc were guests of Patty Rice. Ana is from Belgrade, Serbia. She was an AFS Exchange student in Patty's graduating class in 1979 and is here to attend their class reunion.

## **Announcements:**

<u>Bob and Lynne Schott are grandparents!</u> Amelia Marie was born at 12:59 AM on July 12<sup>th</sup>. She weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and according to Grandpa Bob is very vocal. Congratulations to Buddy, Sarah, Bob and Lynne!

<u>The Bethel Club</u> had its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary reception at the Riverfront Resort on July 10<sup>th</sup> in tandem with the Bethel Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours at which the Bethel Chamber honored the club for its contributions to the Bethel community through the years. George, Patty, Beth, Curtis C., Glenn, John and Stan and Ann attended.



<u>New By-laws</u> - Due to some last minute revisions, we did not vote on the new by-laws. Since the board approved the proposed by-laws, these changes will have to be discussed by the board and a new vote taken next month before being presented to the club.

<u>Visit to Exeter Rotary</u> – Due to the auction and everything else that is going on, the visit to Exeter has been postponed for now. We will look at rescheduling sometime in the fall.

The <u>Kiwanians</u> have invited us to join them for a cruise on the Songo River Queen in Naples on Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. It will be a 1 hour cruise on Long Lake. The cost is \$10 per person if you would like to go. See Patty Rice for tickets.

# Last Week:

**President Chris T.** presented 2 perfect attendance awards – Curtis Cole for 11 years and Dan Allen for 24 years. Chris also read a note of thanks from the Progress Center for our donation to their Special Olympics team. She also presented PP Dave and the club with the RI Membership Development Award. We had one of the highest membership and retention rates in the district.

**President Chris T.** announced that Rebecca Dowse and Jon Roberts have resigned from the club. We were very sorry to hear of their decision and we will miss them.

We sang <u>Happy Birthday</u> to PP Dave whose birthday was the 9<sup>th</sup>. However, we forgot to include Glenn whose birthday was on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Most of our meeting centered around the auction – soliciting merchandise, setting tents, moving items from the storage trailer and not doing the ticket auction this year. Paul reported that the trailer is almost completely full and that he sold a sleeper sofa to a fellow from Raymond and he sold the bathtub. He also said that Bob and Irina Kahn donated all of their lawn and garden equipment including a Cub Cadet lawn tractor and trailer. We are getting two vehicles, a 2002 Dodge Grand Caravan with 148K miles from Bessey's and a 2002 Ford Explorer with 58K miles from Ripley & Fletcher Ford.

<u>Stan</u> led a discussion about setting the tents. In addition to the auction, we need to set tents for Founder's Day on Paris Hill. Tents for the auction will be set on Thursday, the 17<sup>th</sup> at OHCHS at 5:15 PM. Sometime during the day Friday, we will set the tents for Founder's Day.

**Paul** updated us on raffle ticket sales. We are just about at the break even point.

**Larry** told us we ended the last quarter of the year in grand fashion, donating \$1,256.00 to the Foundation with our cup dollars which was much higher than the normal \$600-\$700 we usually contribute in each quarter.

Happy Dollars! President Chris had a happy dollar for her daughter's wedding on the 12<sup>th</sup> and the fact that now it is almost over, she can move on with her life! Chris S. had two happy dollars – one for a tree that he took down that went well and a happy to be alive dollar for the one he took down that did not go so well. Dave had a happy dollar for his birthday because he is now as old as AG Beth and another for his grand kids who will be with him and Becky for the weekend. Ron had a happy dollar for Lois who he spotted selling Lottery Raffle tickets at Norway Soft Serve. Patty was happy that Christie and Ana joined her for breakfast and said they are all looking forward to their class reunion. Irina had a happy dollar for the Arts Festival over the weekend. Lynne had a happy dollar for Buddy and Sarah and

that she would be a grandmother by July 18<sup>th</sup>. <u>Dan</u> was happy to be going to Ohio to see his son perform. <u>Lois</u> had three happy dollars – one for getting to hang out with her grandson, another for the donation of a Weekend Getaway from Papoose Pond and a third for losing 19 pounds since January. <u>Frank</u> was sad that no one talked about the Red Sox. <u>Bob</u> was sad because his brother-in-law passed away last week, sad because he was donating a drum set to the auction and happy that Stan made it down the river over the weekend. <u>Stan</u> was happy he went rafting and that he made it through unscathed.

50/50 - I did not write down who drew Frank's ticket, but Frank drew the 10 of Spades. There was \$45 in the pot which rolls over.

**Birthdays in July:** Frank Shorey – 7/2; Abbie Graiver – 7/4; Phil Libby – 7/7; Greg (Susan) Graves – 7/7; Glenn Huntley – 7/8; Dave Preble – 7/9; Connie (Frank) Shorey – 7/17; Christie (Curtis) Smith – 7/27.

<u>Anniversaries in July:</u> Paul and Dawne Wilton Thornfeldt – 7/1; Dave and Becky Preble – 7/26; Pat and Bruce Cook – 7/27

**Membership Anniversaries in July:** Larry Jordan – 8 years – 7/1; Jack Richardson – 18 years – 7/3.

## 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 – Tuesday, 2:30 PM at OHCHS, Room E220

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

Is it the TRUTH?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOOD WILL and FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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