

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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

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Welcome! Our program chair today is George Rice and our greeter is Larry Jordan.

Calendar: The first name listed is the 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

7/31 – Patty Rice and Glenn Huntley. Our guest speaker will be Kirsten Corey talking about her experience at RYLA last month.

8/5 - Board Meeting at NPC-TV on Marston St.

8/7 - Rebecca Dowse and John Griffith. Our speaker will be Melissa McEntee, Director of Homeless Services, Norway Women's Shelter.

8/14 – Lobster Meeting and Susan Graves

8/17 - Lobster & Steak Fest - OHCHS

8/21 – Lynne Schott and Steve Galvin

8/28 – Bob Schott and Rebecca Dowse

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: DGN Sheila Rollins and her husband, Merrill, from Bridgton-Lake Region were our guests. Sheila was also our guest speaker. She led this year's GSE team to Nigeria and presented a wonderful power point program on the trip.

Membership Minute - Irina Kahn talked about Women in Rotary. The first women members were inducted by the Duarte, California club and their charter was revoked because of it. However, another California club inducted some women and by 1986, Rotary changed its policy. Currently, women make up 22% of Rotarians in the US and 15% worldwide.

Proposed Member – Dan Allen has proposed David Infinger of Lovell to become our newest member. David and his brother have purchased Cross Insurance Agency in Norway. If you have any comments or questions, please speak to a board member.

<u>Glenn Huntley</u> received his certificate for 27 years of perfect attendance. Congratulations, Glenn!

<u>Chis Summers</u> presented the club with a banner from the Johnson City, Tennessee club that he attended while on vacation. This particular club meets at noon on Tuesdays at a country club and is mostly made up of local businessmen as Chris said he was the only one there in shorts.

Announcements:

Although he previously sent us an e-mail, <u>President Dave announced that we received a grant of \$3600 for the Alan Day Community Garden.</u> The grant is for repairs to their building, primarily a new roof. There will be more info to come on this project.

<u>Paul and Ron</u> announced that we have \$1200+ in proceeds from the lottery ticket raffle which means that we have made a profit. Any additional tickets sold are pure profit here on out. Ron asked if anyone would be available to sell tickets at Founder's Day on Paris Hill but no one volunteered.

<u>The Auction</u> was a huge success. We made \$10,354.00 from selling items, \$730.00 at the ticket auction and received \$40 in donations from the donuts. There was a brief discussion on how we should thank donors, particularly those that gave very valuable items – Ripley & Fletcher Ford, Bessey Motor Sales, Young's Greenhouse and White's Marina to name a few. It was suggested that we invite them to one of our meetings to personally thank them as well as sending thank you cards to all donors. Another suggestion was to have an evening meeting and social. If you have any other thoughts on what to do, please speak to President Dave.

<u>Patty Rice handed out Lobster & Steak Fest tickets</u> to each member present – 6 lobster & 4 steak in each envelope – for George Rice. Remember, blue is for lobster because they swim in the blue ocean. Please pay attention to the note in each envelope about corporate solicitations. There will be a meeting next week to come up with a plan because there was some duplication of effort last year. In the meantime, please don't approach any company without clearing with George Rice first.

Happy & Sad Dollars: Once again this week, there were no happy or sad dollars as we ran out of time.

<u>50/50</u>: Susan Cairns drew Curtis Cole's ticket but Curtis didn't draw the King of Clubs. There was \$146 in the pot.

<u>Birthdays in July:</u> Frank Shorey – 7/2; Nelson (Susan) Cairns – 7/4; Phil Libby – 7/7; Greg (Susan) Graves – 7/7; Glenn Huntley – 7/8; Dave Preble – 7/9; Conny Shorey – 7/17.

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