The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



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

Wednesday, July 13, 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: 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: Vacant - 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

Welcome! Today is the 194th day of 2022. There are 171 days remaining in the year. We are past the half-way point of the calendar year. Warren Spencer is program chair this week and Peter Kaurup is our greeter.

Calendar: 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.

<u>July:</u>

20 – Val Westron and Dave Preble 27 – Chris Summers and Becky Kaurup

<u>August:</u>

<u>1 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:30 PM</u> <u>3 – Classification Talk and Glenn Huntley</u> <u>10 – Beth Abbott and Dan Hart</u> <u>17 – Dan Allen and John Griffith</u>

August cont'd:

<u>24 – Curtis Cole</u> and <u>Tina Fox</u> <u>31 – Tally Decato</u> and <u>Tally Decato</u>

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Our only guest last week was Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Liz Knox reminded us that the 4-Way Test and Rotary Code of Conduct are in the Rotary magazine each month. She read the Code of Conduct which I have occasionally put in the Reader and will do so again this week.

Announcements:

I just talked with *Paul.* We made \$2,028.00 from the Yard sale. He said it went very well and appreciated all the help we had Friday afternoon getting things moved and sorted out beforehand. I am sure he will give us an update at our meeting.

Dan Hart – we have 20 members and guests signed up for the Sea Dogs this coming Friday night, of which 13 have expressed an interest in taking the bus, the cost of which would be \$53.85 per couple, less if more sign up.

<u>President George</u> – the board voted to donate \$250.00 towards the funding of the exchange student from Ukraine. She will be with the Westbrook/Gorham Club as I understand there are a couple of Russian speakers there.

George also talked about the Fair parking and ticket sales. We are interested but it will take a lot of folks to do it as the Fair will need 10-12 hours per day. It was decided to make up a sign-up sheet with shift times on it to give people an idea of what's involved. We would need to be there from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM Weds-Thurs and from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM Fri-Sat. for both entry gates and parking.

Curtis asked me to clarify the Wheeler Insurance donation for referrals during the month of July:

"For the month of July, any referral we receive, we will donate \$25 to the Oxford Hills Rotary Club. A referral is when we are contacted for a quote from someone saying you referred them to us. Don't worry, we will ask on every call. The person you refer doesn't have to purchase a policy (but we hope to deliver a good proposal). We then put your name in our monthly drawing for \$500.00. Each referral equals one entry into the monthly drawing. The more referrals for July, the bigger the donation to the Rotary Club will be. Refer your friends and family in July for a quote from Wheelers Insurance!"

Wheelersinsurance.com - 207-743-8927 - @wheelersinsurance

Last Week:

President George led us in Pledge and 4-Way Test. Lois Strauss gave the blessing and Dan A. led us in song.

George then presented PP Lynne Schott with her PHF for her year and a half as President. This makes Lynne a PHF + 4. Congratulations Lynne! And thank-you for your service during a trying Covid year and a half.

Jen Sherbinski gave her updated classification talk. She told us she was born in Bangor but her dad moved the family back to the Oxford Hills area after her mother passed at a very young age. She went to school here and graduated in the Top 10 in her class. She went to the University of Miami and spent a year in Australia where her interest in marine biology really took hold. Her first job was in that field in Wilmington and Carolina Beach, North Carolina. However, she missed her family and friends so came back to Maine where she worked at National Semiconductor in South Portland until her first son was born after which she took advantage of a work to education program at the University of Southern Maine and obtained her Masters Degree. She did her student teaching in Gorham and Poland and has now been teaching biology, chemistry and marine biology at OHCHS for 18 years.

🙆 Happy and Sad Dollars 😂

Dan had happy dollars for the July 8 and 9 birthdays – Dan Hart, Glenn Huntley and Dave Preble.

Dave had \$9 happy dollars for turning 63 - since 6 + 3 = 9.

Lynne has started doing "chair yoga" with Amanda Houtari and enjoyed it very much. She was also happy for getting to spend the weekend with her grandchildren.

Tina was happy to get back to the lake with her family over the weekend.

Connie Shorey was happy to receive the card we signed and sent to her.

50/50 – Lynne drew Liz's number but Liz drew the Jack of Clubs, not the King, and thus did not win the pot.

For a change of pace, how about some of the dumbest things people have overheard:

"Someone asked me how the guy that donated his heart to me was doing."

"When I moved from Hawaii to Texas, multiple people asked me how long the drive was."

Birthdays and Anniversaries

July Birthdays – Frank Shorey – 7/2; Dan Hart – 7/8; Glenn Huntley – 7/8; Dave Preble – 7/9; Becky Kaurup – 7/15; Jen Sherbinski – 7/16; Connie Shorey – 7/16

<u>July Anniversaries</u> – Paul and Dawne THornfeldt – 7/1; Warren and Susan Spencer – 7/23; Dave and Becky Preble – 7/26

<u>July Membership Anniversaries</u> – Frank Shorey – 38 years – 7/1 and Val Weston – 35 years – 7/22

The Rotary Code of Conduct:

As a Rotarian, I will -

- 1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life.
- 2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect.
- 3. 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 the world.
- 4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians.
- 5. Help maintain a harassment free environment in Rotary meetings, events and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help insure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

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 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