

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



Rotary

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
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Wednesday, July 14, 2021

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."

2020-2021 Officers:

Rotary International President: Shekhar Mehta from the Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar, India - District 7780
Governor: Dick Hall, Rotary Club of Portland – Oxford Hills Rotary Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers
– Co-Presidents Elect: Liz Knox and Abbie Earle - Vice-president: vacant - Treasurer.: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past president: 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

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 195th day of 2021. There are 170 days remaining in the year. We do not have a program lined up this morning although I am sure we will find things to talk about. Pat Cook 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's paraphernalia.

July:

21 – Paul Thornfeldt and Curtis Cole

28 – Warren Spencer and Dan Allen

August:

4 – District Governor Dick Hall and Val Weston

11 – Val Weston and Paul Thornfeldt

18 – Dan Allan and Warren Spencer

21 – Drive-thru Lobster Fest at OHCHS

25 – Curtis Cole and Bob Schott

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Our visiting Rotarians were Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida and Dennis King, from Washington TWP, New Jersey. Our visitors were Perry Palmer and David Knox.

Announcements:

From last week and continuing, if you did not get Lobster tickets to sell, please see [Tina](#) or [George](#) to get yours. Our Lobster Fest Drive-thru will be on August 21. We have 500 tickets to sell.

The sign-up sheet for Red Snapper Day at the Sea Dogs at Hadlock Field in Portland on Saturday, July 24 at 6:00 PM was passed around once again. If you have signed up, please make your check out to the Portland Sea Dogs and get it to [Dan Hart](#) either this week or next.

[Linda Smith](#) has asked us not to come in the back door and through the kitchen when we come to our meeting. State law does not allow people from outside to enter a food preparation area. We have been quite lax about this and now with changes from the pandemic, it is a good time to start enforcing this requirement. Please enter and exit the church through the front door.

[From Treasurer Liz](#) – we had a great day and turnout for the Yard Sale and we made \$1,999.55 – although I understand someone threw in \$.45 to round the total up to \$2,000.00. I know that I still owe a check for a couple of things I purchased at the end of the day (and perhaps others do) and we still have the two donated cars to sell. We did not receive any offers on the Hyundai that was there Saturday. We did not have the Focus to display as Ripley & Fletcher had not finished working on it. With the \$7,000.00 that Paul made selling on line and elsewhere, the \$2,000.00 and change from the flea market and the potential for another \$10,900.00 if we get the asking prices on the vehicles, this has to be one of, if not the most successful “Auction” we have ever had. I’m sure we will hear more about this Wednesday.

[From Foundation Chair George Rice](#) – It is very important to the club that we continue to report the hours we spend doing Rotary work over and above our weekly meeting. As individuals, we are responsible for writing those hours in the note book on Stan’s table or e-mailing them to George every month, as several members do. Once George receives those hours, all names are discarded and only the hours spent are reported to RI. As a start, any member who spent any time working at the Yard Sale last Saturday should report the time they spent there. Again, anything we do for Rotary, over and above our regular weekly meeting, needs to be recorded.

Last Week:

Co-President Peter led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. Dan Allen led us in singing “If You’re Happy and You Know it...” and Glenn Huntley gave the blessing. Greeter Tally introduced visiting Rotarians and guests.

After the announcements, PDG and PP George Rice came forward to present PP Pat Cook with her Paul Harris Fellow from the club for her service as President for 2019-2020. Congratulations Pat!

Co-President Peter then talked about this year's theme, "Serve to Change Lives" and what this means to the new RI President, Shekhar Mehta, and how Peter hopes we can take this to heart in the coming year. To that end, Peter and Chris would like to have a monthly service project, such as we have had the last couple of months raking, mulching and planting flowers at Moore Park and next month, working on repairing the gazebo in the park. Peter would also like us to have more social events and get together, perhaps going bowling, walking at the high school (if that is able to resume) or any other number of things.

Happy and Sad Dollars

Dan – we will reschedule the classification talks that had been scheduled for today. He was also happy to announce that his and Julie's daughter, Lindsay, had her baby and that they are excited to see her this coming weekend.

Perry Palmer had a happy \$5 for his visit and was sorry he missed Bruce and Marie Williams.

John was happy to recognize member's July birthdays – Frank, Dan H., Glenn, Dave and Becky, as well as Connie Shorey – and we spontaneously started singing Happy Birthday; wedding anniversaries for Paul & Dawne, Warren & Susan and Dave & Becky; lastly, membership anniversaries for Frank, 37 years, and Val Weston, 34 years. Congratulations to all!

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; Connie (Frank) Shorey – 7/17

July Wedding Anniversaries – Paul & Dawne Thornfeldt – 15 yrs. – 7/1; Warren & Susan Spencer – 38 yrs. – 7/23; Dave & Becky Preble – 35 yrs. - 7/26

July Membership Anniversaries – Frank Shorey – 37 yrs. – 7/1; Val Weston – 34 yrs. – 7/22

50/50 – Tally drew Val's number but Val drew the 2 of Spades. Sorry Val! There was money in the pot.

Pun of the Week:

The rotation of the earth really makes my day!

Quote of the Week:

“Nobody really cares if you are miserable, so you might as well be happy.”

~ Cynthia Nelms ~

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