The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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

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."

2019-2020 Officers:

Rotary International President: Mark D. Maloney, Rotary Club of Decatur, Alabama - District 7780 Governor: Andrew Glazier, Rotary Club of Kittery – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Pat Cook – Pres. Elect: Lynne Schott – Vicepres.: to be determined – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: George Rice – Club Service Chair: Chris Weston – 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 and AG Chris Summers

<u>Good morning and Welcome!</u> Today is the 198th day of 2019. There are 167 days remaining in the year. Tally Decato is program chair this morning. She and Dan Hart will be talking about the alternate meeting survey and membership. John Griffith 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:

<u>18 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. Tina Fox and Becky Kaurup are our volunteers.</u>
<u>24 – John Griffith and Tina Fox. Our guest speaker will be Roberta Hill, Western Maine Chapter Leader of the Citizens Climate Lobby.</u>
<u>31 – Tina Fox and Abbie Earle</u>

August:

5 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Hall, South Paris, at 5:30 PM. 7 – Club Assembly and Tally Decato 14 – Lobster & Steak Fest meeting and Curtis Cole 15 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 – 6:00 PM 17 – Lobster & Steak Fest at OHCHS <u>21 – Glenn Huntley and Dan Allen. Our guest speaker will be Steve Heinz from the Maine Council of</u> Trout who will be talking about the Welchville Dam replacement and its effects on fishing.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Our visiting Rotarians were DG Andy Glazier and Pam Gray from the Kittery Rotary, Natalie Donais from the Suffield, CT Rotary and Lois Strauss from the Estero, Florida Rotary. Evy Marshall was the guest of Beth Abbott and Patty Rice, Connie Shorey was the guest of Frank Shorey and Charlie Fox, Perry Palmer and Jen Sherbinski were the guests of Tina Fox.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Dan Hart talked about a club of 40 members in Minnesota that has chosen to put their efforts into ecology and the environment.

Announcements:

Our brief meeting consisted of talking about the auction and what remains to be done. Glenn announced that Ripley & Fletcher Ford is donating a 2006 Ford Explorer. (Since the meeting, Bessey Motor Sales has donated a 2007 Saturn Ion). Patty Rice announced that we will be able to take credit and debit cards at the auction. Lastly, we will meet at the old Paris Farmers building at 8:00 AM on Friday to begin moving items into the tents.

<u>Bob Schott –</u> Due to a last minute cancellation, Bob announced that the last weekend of July (27th & 28th) is open at Moxie Gore, so, for a donation to the Foundation or any other Rotary project or function, he is offering a rafting trip for any Rotarian and his/her family members. I believe he said the limit is 20 people – but if interested, you should check with Bob to be sure.

Last Week:

President Pat led us in the Pledge and 4 Way Test and Dan Allen led us in singing "God Bless our Rotary" Pat then asked for a moment of silence.

President Pat then introduced our new District Governor, Andy Glazier. Andy began his talk by introducing his partner, Pam Gray, and told us about how he became involved in Rotary. He said that Pam joined Rotary 30 years ago, but he could not join until much letter due to his job. However, he participated in and worked many events with Pam through the years. Andy told us that he and Pam have attended many international conferences, traveled a lot, and met many people that they would never have had the opportunity to meet.

Andy's goals for the year include thinking creatively to attract new members and to improve connections between members. He would also like to involve non-Rotarians in our communities in our projects as a way of developing new members.

Andy announced that he is moving the District Conference to October 5th in the hopes of attracting more members to attend as everyone is busy in the spring with Rotary and personal projects. He said it will be a one day, indoor conference in Portland and that he is looking for every club in the district to have a table display

In closing, Andy thanked us for all we do and asked us to do just a little bit more. We have so much compared to so many others.

🕑 Happy Dollars 🕑:

<u>Dan A. –</u> had a happy dollar for his son, Nate, who is in New York City, and will be coming to our auction.

<u>Lynne</u> – had a happy \$5 that she and Bob were able to get from Norway to Westport Island to camp and back to Norway on a single charge in their Kia Kona. She and Bob were also happy to use their Lobsters for Scholars win for a family outing recently.

<u>Frank –</u> had a happy to be back dollar. He was happy that Dave visited him in Florida. Lastly, he was happy to have his new uniform for his new job with the Rays.

<u>John -</u> was happy to return the Rays' stickers to Frank that he found in the envelopes with Frank's make-ups. He thought Frank might be missing them.

DG Andy – was happy to be with us this week.

<u>PP George</u> - was happy to have put on the Lobster feed for Bob and Lynne

<u>Patty –</u> was happy that her mother had joined us

<u>Perry Palmer –</u> thanked Tina and Charlie Fox for asking him to come this morning and that he is anxious to see how fast Charlie can actually run.

<u>Charlie Fox</u> – had happy dollars for his and Tina's anniversary and that they have a 3rd grandchild coming in December.

<u>Glenn –</u> had a happy \$10 for his 70th birthday earlier in the week and that he enjoyed a trip to Pemiguid.

Tina – was happy to be headed to Rhode Island for a couple of days and for Jen joining us today.

<u>Bob</u> – announced that due to a recent cancellation, he has a rafting weekend open, July 27 & 28. He said that he would open it to any Rotarian at no charge if they made a donation to the Rotary Foundation.

Marianne – announced that the WMRI fish fry scheduled for Friday, July 12, has been cancelled.

50/50: Evy Marshall drew Marianne's number but Marianne did not draw the yellow ball.

<u>July Birthdays</u> – 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.

<u>July Wedding Anniversaries</u> – Paul & Dawne Thornfeldt – 7/1; Dave & Becky Preble – 7/26; Pat & Bruce Cook – 7/27.

July Membership Anniversaries – Frank Shorey – 35 years – 7/1; Val Weston – 32 years – 7/22

A July Riddle:

Which American colonists were most fond of word play?

According to Science:

The reason birds don't get electrocuted when they perch on power lines is not because the wires are insulated but because they don't touch the ground. As a result, there is no electrical imbalance that would create a shock.

Make-ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel Inn, Bethel <u>www.bethelrotary.org</u> Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Community Center, 15 Depot St., Bridgton <u>www.lakeregionrotary.org</u> Fryeburg – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg <u>www.fryeburgrotary.orgth</u> River Valley – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2nd floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford <u>www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org</u> Interact – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School

Answer to Riddle: Punsylvanians