



Rotary

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
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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 201st day of 2022. There are 164 days remaining in the year. Val Weston is program chair this week. Her guest speaker is Karla Horecky, Managing Director of McLaughlin Gardens. Dave Preble is scheduled to be 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.

July:

27 – Chris Summers and Becky Kaurup

August:

1 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:30 PM

3 – Classification Talk and Glenn Huntley

10 – Beth Abbott and Dan Hart

17 – Dan Allen and John Griffith

24 – Curtis Cole and Tina Fox

August cont'd:

31 – Tally Decato and Tally Decato

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida, was our visiting Rotarian. Molly Spooner from the Progress Center was our other guest. Joel Speakman joined us on Zoom.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Peter Kaurup talked about Jennifer Jones, the new President of RI, and the excellent article about her in the latest Rotary magazine. One of the things she did when she was president of her local club was that every week, she called on a member at random to have them say why they were important to the club. President George thought that was an excellent idea and he said he would start calling on someone next week.

Announcements:

Paul told us the yard sale went smoothly and was very well supported by the club. He thanked all who helped make it a success. We raised \$2,028.00. Add this to what he has sold on-line this year and the two cars promised to us by Bessey Motors and Ripley & Fletcher, and we will have made as much as we would have with a full-fledged auction with far less labor.

Tally donated \$200.00 to the club for PP Peter painting her deck.

Tina passed around a sign-up sheet schedule for Oxford Fair. Considering the hours of the Fair, we have 48 time slots to fill up. As of the end of last week's meeting, we still had 20 slots still open.

President George – the Bridgton-Lake Region club has invited us to participate in their up-coming 21st Community Kettle meal on Thursday, July 21, from 5:00PM – 6:00PM at the Bridgton Community Center in Bridgton. Cost is by donation.

Everyone had a great time at the Sea Dogs game last Friday night. The weather was perfect for a ball game, which actually went quite quickly. I think it is the first evening Sea Dogs game that I have attended where it ended while still daylight. The Sea Dogs won 5 to 0.

Lastly, I will leave the Wheeler Insurance referral offer in the news-letter until the end of the month:

“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!”

Whealersinsurance.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 singing “Take Me Out to the Ball Game.

We received a thank-you note from the Cancer Resource Center for the donation of knitted hats and the shower chair.

Program Chair Warren Spencer invited Paul Thornfeldt to take about the different forms of energy used to heat our homes and he gave us a handout that we can use to calculate and compare the cost of heat. Right now, electricity is the most efficient source of heat, but also the most expensive.

😊 Happy and Sad Dollars 😊

Jen had \$16 happy dollars for her son taking his driver’s test on the 22nd. She also said she and her family are looking forward to their upcoming weekend camping trip.

Lynne was happy for her weekend trip to Bar Harbor with her son and grandkids.

Patty had happy dollars for PDG Jim Lilley who is here from New Jersey. He had hoped to come this morning but was too tired from his activities the day before. Jim is 96 and doing very well. Patty was also happy for the new baby heifer who was born at 3:15 on Sunday afternoon. Patty was alone when he calf decided to come and helped with the birth all by herself.

Bob, in conjunction with Lynne, enjoyed the weekend in Bar Harbor. He said the prices at the restaurant they went to were “ungodly” but that the view was worth it.

John had \$25 happy dollars – He said he spoke with Glenn and that he and Sharon both have minor cases of Covid, but that they were doing better. They were disappointed that they had to put their trip to Vancouver had to be postponed. John was happy for the great time he and all of his family had at Storyland over the weekend, and he had a heartfelt thank-you to the club for choosing him as ROTY.

50/50 – PP Chris drew Lynne’s number but Lynne drew the Ace of Clubs. The pot rolls over once again.

More of the dumbest things people have over-heard:

“A girl in middle school thought that trees flapping created wind rather than the other way around. Still not as bad as those who complain that solar panels shorten the life of the sun.”

“A substitute teacher told the class that the moon is bigger than the sun which is why it blocks the sun during an eclipse. This was in grade 4. I argued with her.”

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

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

July Membership Anniversaries – 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