



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

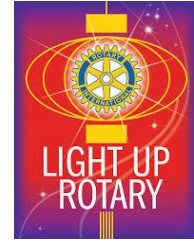
Wednesday, August 13, 2014

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills

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Rotary Theme for 2014-2015: "Light up Rotary"

2014-2015 Officers

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Welcome! Today is the 225th day of 2014. There are 140 days remaining in the year. This morning, we will be making our final plans for the Lobster & Steak Fest. Lynne Schott is our greeter.

Calendar: The first name listed is Program Chair, the second is Greeter. Please let President Chris, Program Chair Joel Speakman 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.

8/16 – Lobster & Steak Fest, OHCHS!!

8/20 – Curtis Smith and Jack Richardson

8/27 – Jack Sours and Patty Rice

8/27 – Visioning Committee meeting at 4:30 PM at John Griffith's house, 134 Pleasant St., Norway

9/2 – Board meeting at TD Bank, Oxford, 5:30 PM – note this is Tuesday due to the Labor Day holiday.

9/3 – Joel Speakman and George Rice

9/9 – Social for District Governor at Papoose Pond Resort, Waterford.

9/10 – District Governor and Dave Preble

Visiting Rotarians and guests: There were no visiting Rotarians. PP Dave Whittier was with us, Phyllis Summers was the guest of Chris Summers and Joe Balchunas was the guest of George Rice.

Membership Proposal - George Rice has proposed Joe Balchunas as a member. Joe is a loan officer for Community Concepts in Lewiston and South Paris. He is a former member of the Biddeford-Saco Rotary Club. If anyone has any comments, questions or concerns, please speak to George or any Board member.

Announcements:

President Christina – from the Board meeting on Monday, August 4th – we want to do more to support Interact in the coming months and the board felt it was important to show that support by having one or two members of the club commit to attending the weekly Interact meetings. To that end, a sign-up sheet was circulated with the dates of the meetings. Christina has committed to going to one meeting a

month. If other members can commit to doing so that would be terrific. Interact meets on Thursdays at 2:15 PM.

Also from the Board meeting, Board members reviewed the proposed by-laws and made two changes on the recommendation of George Rice. Christina will e-mail new copies to everyone with changes noted for review. We would like to vote on the new by-laws this morning.

Christina reminded us that there will be RLI classes in Lewiston on Saturday, October 18th. Anyone who has not attended these sessions is encouraged to go. Christina is planning on attending.

Dan Allen – with the resignation of Rebecca Dowse, Val Weston has agreed to continue the cooking classes at the women's shelter in Norway but she needs help. The classes are usually every other month with one to be scheduled for this month. If you can help, please speak to Val. Women only, no men need apply!

Ron and George – remember we are selling Lottery Raffle tickets through the Lobster & Steak Fest with the winning ticket drawn at the end of that day. As of last week's meeting, we only had one more week to sell Lobster & Steak Fest tickets as the food order must go in after today's meeting. If you need more tickets, please contact George.

Patty - Oxford Casino will support Lobster for the nursing homes as they have in the past. We are also purchasing our steaks through the Casino and one of their chefs, who is a Rotarian from Portland, will personally cut them for us.

Last Week's Program:

Our guest speaker was Barbara Deschenes, a vibrant cancer survivor who talked to us about the Maine Cancer Foundation's Tri for the Cure. The Tri consists of a 1/3 mile swim, a 16 mile bicycle ride and a 5k run. In its 7 year history, it has raised \$7 million dollars. All of the money raised stays in Maine and is given out in grants to research scientists, hospitals and others. This year, 1440 women competed and raised \$1.4 million dollars. There were 17,000 donors with participants from 22 states, 16 being the youngest and 76 the oldest. Barbara talked about her personal story and how she got involved with the Tri.

😊 **Happy Dollars!** 😊 **Larry** was happy for his new grandson. **Susan** was glad to be back from her family vacation. She also had a new CAT scan with perfect results. **Glenn** was happy to be outdoors. On a recent walk around Marshall Pond he saw 2 beavers, 2 deer, some herons, loons, ducks and geese. **Lynne** was happy to spend some time with her new granddaughter trying to figure out who she looks like. She also is getting ready for the start of school in a few weeks. **Patty** was happy for her 35th high school class reunion which was held on the Songo River Queen. 85 people attended. She also had a happy dollar for our speaker, Barbara. **Bob** was happy for the AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) Moxie Gore Paddling Club has and he hopes he never has to use it.

50/50 – Val drew Lois's number but Lois drew the 10 of hearts, not the King of Clubs. The \$94 in the pot rolls on.

Birthdays in August: Lois Strauss – 8/8; Mary Lou Burns – 8/11; Chris Summers – 8/17; Irina Kahn – 8/23.

Anniversaries in August: None listed – everyone’s off the hook or so it seems.

Membership Anniversaries in August: Glenn Huntley – 30 years – 8/1.

Make-ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel Inn, Bethel

www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Bridgton Alliance Church, Harrison Rd., Bridgton

www.lakeregionrotary.org

Fryeburg – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg

www.fryeburgrotary.org

Mountain Valley – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at Hope Association, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford

www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org

Interact Meeting – Tuesday, 2:30 PM at OHCHS, Room E220

Remember the 4-Way Test of the things we think say or do:

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3) Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

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