



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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2012-2013 Officers

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Welcome!

Today's greeter is Dan Allen and today is the Lobster & Steak Fest meeting!

Calendar: The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is Greeter. In Paul Thornfeldt's absence this summer, please let Lois Strauss or John Griffith know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. Lois will be editor in July, John in August. Also, please remember that when you are Program Chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the Club's paraphernalia.

8/15 – **Lobster Meeting and Dan Allen**
8/18 – **Lobster and Steak Fest, OHCHS**
8/19 – **Road Toll fund raiser**
8/21 – **DG Reception at Stonybrook in Hanover**
8/22 – **Governor's Visit and Beth Abbott**
8/29 – **Phil Libby and Val Weston**

August Birthdays:

8/11 – Mary Lou Burns
8/16 – Rob Armstrong
8/23 – Irina Kahn

Last Week: We have not had a Club Assembly in some time so after breakfast, introductions and a very out of tune rendition of our welcome song, all of the directors spoke to us.

Secretary: Jack Richardson – Attendance was 90.1% of 33 members last month, about where we have been running. Jack stressed that make-ups are important and can be done by attending another club's meeting, on line at Rotary E-club or participating in club activities.

Treasurer - Pat Cook – explained her role, how she does reports, and so on. We finished the last fiscal year at a deficit but that's good because we want to spend what comes in.

Membership Chair – Dan Allen – asked a series of questions about membership, such as how long we had been members, why we joined Rotary and why we are still members. He promised more to follow!

Foundation Chair – Larry Jordan – reminded us where our donations to the Rotary Foundation go. \$100 per person per year doesn't sound like a lot, but it is. Our club members have donated \$130,455.00 since inception.

Sargent-at-Arms – Stan Brett – looking for help setting up tents on Friday evening, the 10th. Meet at Stan's house around 5:00 or shortly thereafter. He also needs help on the 23rd at Norway Country Club and likely on Lobster Feed Day, the 18th, for the Downeast Street Rod meet in Hebron (I think). He will be setting tents for Lobster Feed Day on Friday morning, the 17th, at 8:00 AM.

Community Service – Rob Armstrong – we seem to have missed the boat on Concerts in the Park? Sue Graves mentioned it at the beginning of the season but nothing more has been said. Rob said he would find out. Also a reminder that we are still collecting for Crutches for Africa which Rob is storing at his place of business.

President-elect – Dave Preble – will be taking over as Program Chair. Dave also talked about the Lobster Feed. So far, we have sold 214 tickets, 100 of which were purchased by the Casino, 40 were purchased by Grover Gun Drilling and 20 by Norway Savings Bank. After next weeks meeting, Dave will have to order the food so we need to sell those tickets so he will have an accurate count.

President – Bob Schott – Bob announced that he is working with the 4 other clubs in our region on a joint international project. More to come on this in the coming weeks.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: It was great to see PDGx2 Marie Williams for the first time this summer. Al Barth from Bethel also joined us. We also enjoyed seeing Bruce Williams, guest of Marie Williams, Jack Soufs, guest of Bob Schott (apologies if I don't have Jack's last name correct but that's what it looks like on the sign-in sheet) and Chris Weston, guest of Val Weston.

Fines and Happy Dollars: **Patty** was happy to have Jack Soufs with us and for the Casino purchasing 100 tickets to the Lobster Fest. **Irina** was happy to see so many Rotarians at the Chamber Business After Hours at TD Bank in support of the Western Maine Art Group. **Lois** was happy to be celebrating the 29th anniversary of her 39th birthday. **John** was happy that he didn't fall out of any chairs this week. **Bob** was happy for his mother's 92nd birthday and also gave us another demo of deep knee bends. **Larry** was happy to see a mother raccoon and 2 little ones running through his yard.

50/50 – Jack drew the winning ticket which belonged to Glenn. However, Glenn did not draw the yellow ball. \$360 was in the pot.