



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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Welcome!

Today's greeter is Rob Armstrong and today is Assembly!

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.

8/8 – **Assembly and Rob Armstrong**
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:

Today! – Lois Strauss
8/11 – Mary Lou Burns
8/16 – Rob Armstrong
8/23 – Irina Kahn

Foundation Chair Larry Jordan reminded us that we have started a new Rotary year, so remember, \$100.00 per year per Rotarian at \$2.00 per week will get you there!

Health and Wellness moment: President Bob told us that doing 20 deep knee bends a day will help us maintain our balance.

Membership moment: Ask family and friends to join us. Helping with the Lobster and Steak Fest might be a good intro!

Last Week: After President Bob rang the bell, PP Beth led us in the pledge and Jack led us in song. Glenn gave the invocation. After breakfast, Irina Kahn and Chris Twitchell talked about the Western Maine Art Group which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. The Art Group has been instrumental in promoting arts in the Oxford Hills through many varied programs such as the Norway Art Festival, providing artists a place to display their work, offering art lessons in oil painting and other mediums and providing exhibits in hospitals, schools and nursing homes. They are currently raising funds to repair their building, the old school house on the upper end

of Main St. in Norway. The building is 200 years old and estimates to restore it and make it more user friendly come to \$200,000.00. Because they don't have room to celebrate their anniversary, in combination with the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours, there will be an anniversary celebration sponsored by TD Bank on Main St. in Oxford on Tuesday, August 7, from 5:30PM to 7:00PM. There will be lots of art on display, Goodwin's Nursery will provide flora and fauna and Maurice's Restaurant will be catering.

Visiting Rotarians and guests: PDG Jim Lilley from Gloucester Point, NJ was our only visiting Rotarian.

Lobster and Steak Fest: The Oxford Casino has purchased 100 tickets and will donate them to the 4 local nursing homes. Thank you very much! We have also sent letters to 24 area businesses so hopefully will generate some purchases through them. Other than that, we have sold 20 some tickets so far and only have a little more than 2 weeks to sell the remaining tickets. We will go over the final details at our meeting on August 15th.

Fines and Happy Dollars: **Patty** was happy to hear from Paul and Dawne who were in Washington state, having a great time on their trip. **Fred** was happy to run into Tom Kennison who said he might come back to Rotary once a certain other member left for Florida, hmmm. **Lynne** was sad to tell us that she locked both sets of keys in the van while camping in Deerfield, Massachusetts. However, she was happy to have a new 20x20 pavillion to keep the rain away. **John** had several happy dollars for having a great vacation and having made the decision to retire at the end of the year and one sad dollar for falling out of his chair at a loan meeting – don't ask! **Glenn** was happy that his mother and sister are coming from Florida for a visit. I believe he said his mother was 91. **Bob** was happy his mother recently celebrated her 92nd birthday. **Susan** was happy to have gone to Fenway to the Red Sox game but not so happy to have gotten home at 2:30 in the morning.

50/50 – Jack's number was drawn and \$345 was in the pot. The pot is higher this week!

Thought for the week:

“Once you get rid of integrity, the rest is a piece of cake.”

~ J.R. Ewing~