



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

**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."

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### 2020-2021 Officers:

Rotary International President: Holger Knaack, Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln - District 7780 Governor: Marguerite Belanger, Rotary Club of Kennebunk-Portside – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Lynne Schott – Co Pres. Elect: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Vice-president: vacant - Treas.: Liz Knox – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Pat Cook – Club Service Chair: George Rice – 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

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**Good Morning and Welcome!** Today is the 240th day of 2020. There are 126 days remaining in the year. Liz Knox is program chair and Dan Allen is 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](mailto: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.

### August

**31 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office**

### September

**2 – Club Assembly and Beth Abbott**

**9 – Ron Morse and Val Weston**

**16 – Evening meeting at Daddy O's in Oxford at 5:30 PM. Heidi Ortiz is our program chair and Paul Thornfeldt is our greeter. The Membership Committee will be doing a presentation.**

**23 – Dave Preble and Chris Summers**

**30 – George Rice and Joel Speakman**

### **Visiting Rotarians and Guests:**

Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida was our visiting Rotarian once again. Josie and Madi Mains were the guests of their grandmother, Tina Fox.

### **Announcements:**

The **Curbside Lobster Fest** was very successful on gross sales of \$4,900.00 and a net profit of \$2,396.96. I believe we were told there was one other small bill remaining to be paid. Last year, we only netted \$600.00 and that was because the Casino donated over \$2,000.00 worth of food and supplies. Peter told us that everything went well, great teamwork as usual, the weather co-operated and we had lots of good compliments. Many of us are thinking this is the way of the future.

The **Portland Sunrise Club** is selling crocuses - \$10.00 for 25 bulbs. It was said what the proceeds were going to but I didn't write it down and now don't remember.

We will be setting the large wedding tent somewhere in the Sebago area on Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 PM for AG Chris Summers' daughter's wedding. We will be meeting up with Chris who will lead us there.

**Curtis, Stan and Tina** met to work out a plan for the Oxford Hills Middle School to use our last blue and gold tent for the upcoming school year. We will set the tent on September 7 and take it down on October 17 or 18. We have a lease and agreement with the school for \$1,800.00 for the 6 week term. Stan is asking for club assistance to keep an eye on the tent and check it once every week. By checking it, that means making sure the stakes, ropes, poles, eyelets and so on are doing their jobs and in good condition. If you can help, please see Stan for the sign-up sheet.

**Dave** made a motion that **Frank** be fined \$1 for each of the Ray's stickers we found on our breakfast trays this morning. The motion passed unanimously. Frank?

### **Last Week:**

President Lynne Schott led us in the Pledge and the 4 Way test. Greeter Curtis Cole gave the blessing. We have been asked not to sing as it is not allowed under current CDC guidelines, so our voices are on hold until further notice. Also, in accordance with the guidelines the church must follow, we were reminded that masks are required attire except when we are eating.

AG Chris Summers introduced District Governor Peggy Belanger from the Kennebunk Portside Club. Peggy served her club for 2 terms as President and she served 4 terms as Assistant Governor for her region. After that, and committing to serve as District Governor, she said there was no training for running a district virtually. When she started on the District Governor path, no one in their wildest dreams ever thought that we would be going through what we are going through now. However, Peggy said Rotary did not lay low and made adjustments to fit our current situation. In fact, the "quarantining" may have helped us move forward more quickly as clubs around the world adjusted the model for meetings. Clubs proved that we do not have to have the standard weekly in person meeting to be effective. Clubs are the heart and

soul of Rotary. They are our opportunity to give back to our communities, they provide us with new friendships, an opportunity for charitable giving – personally and through our clubs – and they provide networking opportunities. We need to be constantly looking for new audiences and not let time go to waste. We need to tell our story and continue to use social media to get the word out.

### 😊Happy and Sad Dollars😊

Lynne had a happy \$5 – for having Peggy with us this morning and that she and Bob are going to have a new grandchild in February.

Tina had happy dollars for Josie and Madi coming with her this morning. She was proud that they won a trophy for performing a jazz dance duet.

AG Chris was happy that Mom has landed and will be out and about after she completes her 14 day quarantining commitment.

Bob has set up a tentative raft trip with DG Peggy and is opening it up to anyone who would like to come. See him if you are interested.

*50/50 – After a bit of confusion on Glenn's part, DG Peggy drew Frank's number and well, Frank drew the King of Clubs, winning the \$352 in the pot. Now Frank can afford to pay his fine for all those Ray's stickers!*

*August Birthdays* – Chris Summers – 8/17; Charlie (Tina) Fox – 8/27.

*August Wedding Anniversaries* – None listed

*August Membership Anniversaries* – None listed

### *Pun of the Week:*

A hole was discovered in the fence that surrounded the nudist camp. The authorities are looking into it.

### **Quote of the Week:**

“All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others.”

George Orwell, from Animal Farm, first published seventy-five years ago in August, 1945.

### **Remember the 4-Way Test:**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

### **Make-Ups:**

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

[www.bethelrotary.org](http://www.bethelrotary.org)

**Bridgton-Lake Region** – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Community Center, 15 Depot St., Bridgton

[www.lakeregionrotary.org](http://www.lakeregionrotary.org)

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

[www.fryeburgrotary.org](http://www.fryeburgrotary.org)

**River Valley** – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford

[www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org](http://www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org)

**Interact** – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School