The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



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

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

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: Shekhar Mehta from the Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar, India - District 7780 Governor: Dick Hall, Rotary Club of Portland – Oxford Hills Rotary Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Co-Presidents Elect: Liz Knox and Abbie Earle - Vice-president: vacant - Treasurer.: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past president: Lynne Schott – 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

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 216th day of 2021. There are 149 days remaining in

the year. DG Dick Hall will be with us for his official visit of the year. Val Weston is 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's paraphernalia.

August:

- 11 Val Weston and Paul Thornfeldt
- 14 Work on Gazebo at Moore Park
- 18 Dan Allan and Warren Spencer
- 21 Drive-thru Lobster Fest at OHCHS
- 25 Curtis Cole and Bob Schott
- 30 Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:30 PM

September:

- 1 Club Assembly and Lynne Schott
- 8 Pat Cook and Patty Rice
- 15 Tally Decato and George Rice

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Our visiting Rotarians were Dennis King from Washington TWP, New Jersey, Barry Roderick from Orlando, Florida, and Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida. PP Perry Palmer was our guest.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Dan Allen talked about the history of the auction and how it started as part of the Bean Festival.

Announcements:

<u>Lobster Tickets</u> – If you need more Lobster tickets or have tickets to turn in, please see <u>Becky.</u> She now has the extra tickets. The deadline to turn in tickets is August 11. Remember that there are no sales the day of the event – August 21.

From the kitchen, <u>Linda Smith</u> said she was asked about serving chocolate chip pancakes instead of blueberry pancakes so she asked for a show of hands. Regrettably, blueberry won overwhelmingly.

Reminder from George, please be sure to enter your extra hours in the log book, e-mail or otherwise inform George of the extra time you put in. We are starting a new month so make sure George receives your June hours by the meeting this morning.

<u>Frank Shorey</u> sent me an e-mail saying that he was going to send me a picture of him in his Speedo to put in the Reader. I'm still waiting, Frank!

Last Week:

Co-President Peter led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. Dan Allen led us in song. Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

Warren Spencer introduced his guest speaker, Charlie Melhus, from Norway Brewing Company. Charlie told us he was born in the real Norway and moved to Norway, Maine, in 1994, when his father accepted a position at Stephens Memorial Hospital, so he said he was very familiar with 1st Congregational because he was a member of the Boy Scout troop that met here. Before starting Norway Brewing Company, he worked as a cook and chef in various restaurants and actually moved back to Norway to work as a chef for a few years. He and his family returned to our Norway and started the Brewing company in the old Trolley House restaurant, just celebrating its 5th anniversary. Starting with just himself, he now has 12 employees. Recently, he and some partners have purchased the old corn shop property at 59 Lake Rd. with the intention of making it a "go to" venue for the Town of Norway.

Happy and Sad Dollars

<u>Jen</u> had happy dollars for her daughter, Kat, who is enjoying her summer.

Perry Palmer had some happy to be here dollars. He remembered going rafting with Bob.

<u>Dave</u> was happy that he and Becky just celebrated their 35th Wedding Anniversary.

<u>Tina</u> had happy dollars for her granddaughter's dancing and also said that she really enjoyed the Sea Dogs game last weekend.

Dan A. had a condolence dollar or two for Becky Preble.

<u>Warren</u>, not to be outdone by Dave and Becky, said he and Susan recently celebrated their 38th Wedding Anniversary.

Because Perry paid for her breakfast, *Alice* had ten happy dollars to contribute.

Bob was happy that he and Lynne were heading to Stratton to celebrate their grandson's 3rd birthday.

<u>George</u> had some thank you dollars for Dan for putting the Sea Dogs game together. We all had a great time.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

<u>August Birthdays –</u> Chris Summers – 8/17 and Charlie (Tina) Fox – 8/27

August Wedding Anniversaries – None

August Membership Anniversaries – None

<u>50/50 – Lynne drew Abbie's number. On Abbie's behalf, Liz drew the Queen of Diamonds. Sorry Abbie. There was \$266 in the pot.</u>

Pun of the Week:

For several years, the young magician insisted on a trap-door trick in every show he did. He was just going through a stage.

At this moment in Sports History:

By August 1, 1992, Nolan Ryan struck out his 100th batter of the season, setting a major-league record of twenty-three consecutive seasons with at least 100 strike outs.

And a Quote of for the Week:

"A country is considered the more civilized the more the wisdom and efficiency of its laws hinder a weak man from becoming too weak or a powerful one too powerful."

~ Primo Levi ~ 1919-1987 Italian-Jewish writer and chemist

Make-Ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel 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