

# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills  
PO Box 14  
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**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 219th day of 2020. There are 147 days remaining in the year. Our guest speaker is Carl Costanzi and our greeter is Abbie Earle.

**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

- 12 – Club Assembly and Lobster Prep and Pat Cook
- 15 – Curbside Lobster Fest at OHCHS
- 19 – District Governor Peggy Belanger and Curtis Cole
- 26 – Liz Knox and Dan Allen

## September

- 2 – Club Assembly and Beth Abbott
- 9 – Ron Morse and Val Weston
- 16 – Heidi Ortiz and Chris Weston

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

We had one visiting Rotarian, Warren Spencer from the South Berwick-Eliot Club. Our guests were our speakers, Maureen Howard and Barbara Murphy.

### **Rotary Moment:**

Apologies for missing the Rotary moments from last week and the week before. I did not put them in my notes but they both came from the most recent issue of the Rotarian magazine, so if you read or have read it, you most certainly would have read the Rotary Moment.

### **Announcements:**

I am leaving this note in from last week from **Peter** – Carol Madsen of the Bridgton-Lakes Region Club needs volunteers for the area Food Pantry program, in particular, the Harrison Food Bank, in the following positions: shoppers, box assembly, drivers, photographers, writers and idea people.

If anyone is interested in helping out, her e-mail address is [carmad@hotmail.com](mailto:carmad@hotmail.com).

The only other announcement is that we are approaching 200 lobster tickets sold. The deadline is this week. Please turn in any sold and unsold tickets that you have. A sign-up sheet for the day of the Lobster Fest circulated last week and will be again this week, so if you haven't signed up to help, here's another chance.

### **Last Week:**

President Lynne Schott led us in the Pledge, the 4 Way test and the Rotary prayer. 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.

Tina Fox introduced Maureen Howard and Barbara Murphy from Gardeners Growing Healthy Communities. Barbara started off by thanking us for our donations the last two years. The original purpose of GGHC was to provide fresh produce to those who don't otherwise have access to it. When GGHC started, they were serving about 12 people/families per week. This year, they have been serving upwards of 100 people per week. While they still serve a number of senior citizens, they are now seeing more working families. They have two sites, one in South Paris on land donated by the Oxford Hills Law Office on Route 26, and the other in Rumford on land donated by the paper mill. GGHC has 12-15 volunteers and they operate for about 10 weeks per year. Because of COVID restrictions, they are transporting the food to the 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational Church in South Paris where people can drive through and receive their produce. They don't have room to grow everything – especially produce that takes a lot of room or extra care, so with donations like ours, they purchase potatoes, corn, tomatoes and other things from Cooper's Farm in West Paris. Lastly, GGHC is always looking for more volunteers if anyone is interested.

## 😊Happy and Sad Dollars😊

**Frank** had a sad dollar for Dave Preble whom he said he saw sitting on his front porch crying because the Red Sox continue to lose. Frank reminded Dave that the Rays continue to win. What happened after that is just too terrible to write about, so I will leave it at that.

**Dan H.** reminded us that we have a board meeting scheduled for Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, at the South Paris Town Office. He said that he spoke with Amanda at Daddy O's and that they are ready to host us whenever we choose to return for our monthly evening meeting. We will talk about this at the board meeting.

**50/50 – There was \$315.00 in the pot. Tally drew Abbie's number but Abbie didn't draw the King of Clubs.**

**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:**

Tina had to confiscate some rubber bands in her algebra class because they were weapons of math destruction.

### **Quote of the Week**

“Of all the noises known to man, opera is the most expensive.”

Moliere (1622-1763)

### **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