

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of the Oxford Hills

P.O. Box 14, Norway, Maine 04268

Rotary Theme for 2010-2011: "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"

Wednesday, August 24, 2011

2011-2012 Officers and Directors: Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee - Governor District 7780 Gary Speers - Oxford Hills President Beth Abbott - President-Elect Robert Schott - Vice-President OPEN - Secretary Jack Richardson - Treasurer Pat Cook - Sergeant at Arms Stan Brett. Past President - Joelle Corey-Whitman. Directors - Dan Allen, Steve Galvin, Dave Preble and Ken Whitman.

Club website - www.oxfordhillslotary.org - District website - www.rotary7780.org.

Today's Program is Kevin Hancock. Our Greeter today is Joel Speakman.

Please let IPP Joelle know who you have for a speaker so it can be published in upcoming issues.

August 31 Tally is having Scott Smith give us an update on the progress of the Oxford Hills Casino. Greeter is Frank Shorey.

Sept. 7 Rebecca has Linda Walbridge. Greeter is Lynne Schott.

Program Chairs and Greeters

Sept 14 - Linda Earle and Bob Schott

Sept 21 - Steve Galvin and Jack Richardson

Sept 28 - Beth Garza and Patty Rice

Oct 5 - Susan Graves and George Rice

Last Week . . .

Visiting Rotarians on Aug. 17th were Connie Herrmann from the Montville, CT. RC. and PDG Marie Williams from the Kittery, ME. RC. Visiting guests were Carson Armstrong, son of Rob, and, Bruce Williams, husband of Marie.

Paul presented a check to President Beth for \$6200. as our share of the Rotary-Kiwanis Auction. *Great job members, you all made it a success!*

Jack reported that our attendance for last month (July) was 90.44%.

Susan Graves ticket was drawn, but she drew two blue to avoid winning \$101.00.

- *We still need a Vice-President for this year. This person would be President for the 2013-2014 Rotary year. Please give it some serious thought as it is a rich and rewarding experience.*

Last Week's Speaker . . .

Ed Snook, publisher of the Advertiser-Democrat gave us a comprehensive history of the Sun Journal and ADEM. The history of the Advertiser goes back 1824 when it started as the Oxford Observer. The paper became known as the Oxford County Advertiser in 1882 and was merged with the Oxford Democrat to become the Advertiser-Democrat in 1933. The paper was purchased by Howard James from Robert Sallies in 1976 along with the Rumford Falls Times and the Sun Media Group purchased it from James on May 31, 20025. Paul commented that the Sun Journal contributed a \$600. ad for our recent auction and the ADEM sold enough advertising spots to provide us with another \$600. ad at no cost to either the rotary or Kiwanis Clubs.

Happy Dollars

Lois was happy that to inform us that Norway Savings Bank is having a Business After Hours on Thursday, Aug. 18th and that she was going to be missing two weeks while SMH replaces one of her knees.

PDG Marie was Happy to be "here again" which was the greeting she received from PP John when she drove into the parking lot.

Larry responded to Ed Snook's comment on one of the printing presses needing to be in a museum as he has worked on a wood lathe that belonged there also. Someone also commented that Frank S. should be in a museum.

Lobster and Steak Feed

The Annual Lobster and Steak Feed took place this past Saturday and it appears that it was a success. People were lined up right at 4:00 PM and there was a steady line during the first two hours with only a minor breaks. The last hour saw participants come in short bursts and flurries.

There are many to thank for helping, but I will leave up to Dave Preble. Dave had everything under control and as usual he was a great leader and kept his poise throughout the day. Many thanks and Congratulations to Dave for all of his efforts in handily guiding us through another Lobster and Steak Feed. I am sure he will have some numbers for us at today's meeting.

- We also has a road toll on Sunday and I am sure Bob or Lynne will update us on what the take was for Polio.

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August Birthday's

August 23 - Irina Kahn

August Anniversary's

August 28 - Linda and Roy Earle

Upcoming Events

Our child, the Rotary Club of Bridgton, Maine is celebrating their 25th Anniversary with a dinner on September 24th. Look forward to an invitation to join them on that special day. We have arranged to give them a new locally made gavel as a gift.

MMM!!! Remember, Memberships Matters.

The New Rotary year has started.

"\$100. per year per Rotarian".

You can give \$2.00 per week, \$10. a month for ten months, or just write a check for \$100.

Annual Funds Program

Contributions to the Annual Programs Fund through the Every Rotarian, Every Year (EREY) initiative are the primary source of funding for Foundation programs. From digging water wells for villages in Africa to teaching basic literacy skills to children in Latin America, during any given moment, thousands of Rotarians volunteer their time and expertise. All contributions to the Annual Programs Fund are spent wisely on quality Rotary projects. Following are the top ten Rotary clubs per capita that gave to the Annual Programs Fund, from 1 July to 30 April 2011:

- 1 [Peoria North](#), Arizona USA -- US\$3,996
- 2 Yangmei, Taiwan -- \$3,985
- 3 Yuanlin, Taiwan -- \$3,772
- 4 The Peak, Hong Kong -- \$3,379
- 5 San Nicolás de los Garza, Mexico -- \$3,086
- 6 Senri, Osaka, Japan -- \$3,054
- 7 Panchiao, Taiwan -- \$2,759
- 8 Gwangju-Youmju, Gwangju, Korea -- \$2,015
- 9 Antigo, Wisconsin USA -- \$1,795
- 10 Seoul Joongang, Seoul, Korea -- \$1,699

Your donation can mean a world of difference. For example, a contribution of \$100 can fund one year of tuition and books for two children in Kenya.