



A
Modest
Memorial
Tribute
To
An
Inspiring
Man
Of
Vision
And
Untiring
Spirit

John Andrews: 1937 - 2017

**Where we always
seemed to find him:**



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**At the center of a new
ET project or triumph**

A man with his sign
(always the homespun engineer)



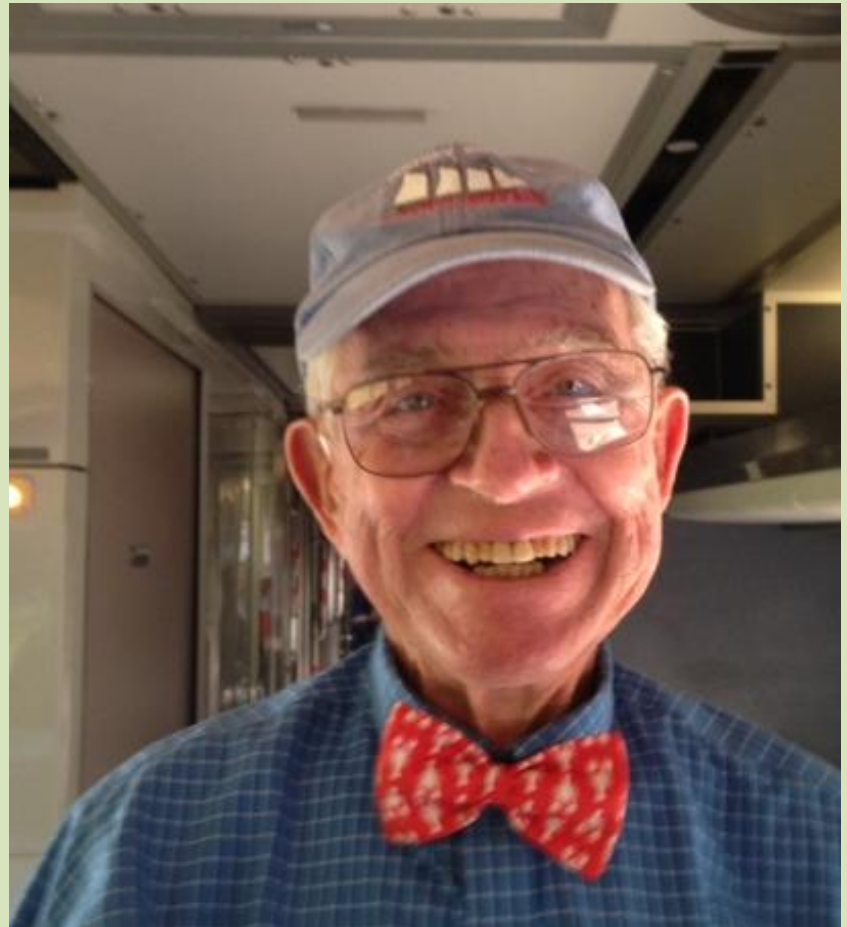
With his bike



And with his horn



A man of
Many
hats.



Many
many
hats.



John was a “people person” who never ran dry of words

or of the passion

to share his vision

with others







In fact,
John would chat
with **anyone**
(antlered or not)
who could
support
The Cause.



Even biking did not forestall conversation!





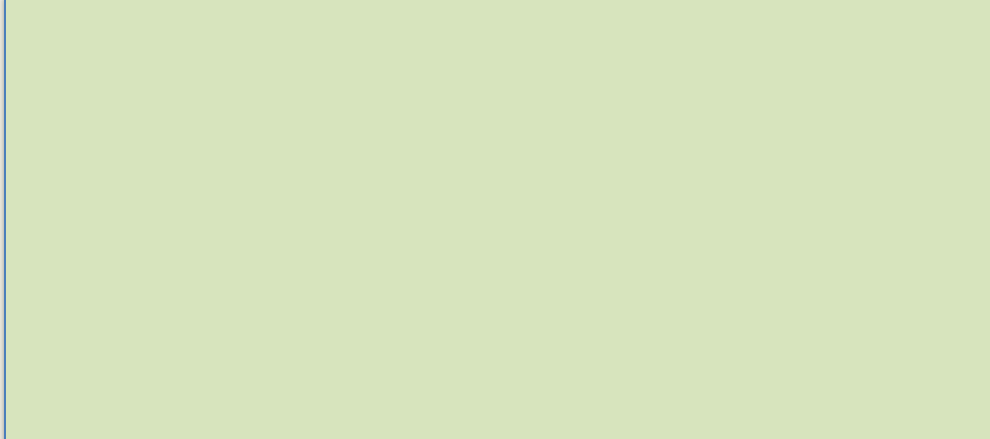
Entirely at home in a crowd, he raised spirits and brought smiles to faces with his infectious joy.



**He
brought
his
own
sunshine.**

He was a determined man on a bike, perseverant and resourceful, quite comfortable going solo.







But many of us can recall shared hours on bikes and trails. They were always special times.

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Trying out the
MLR 25-mile ride



Even as the years piled up, John refused to be hobbled or limited. In 2014 he undertook two daunting rides: a six-day, 300+ mile odyssey from Washington D.C. to Pittsburgh. (That ride, alas, was not recorded.) And a three-day 105-mile jaunt along the Downeast Sunrise Trail from Cherryfield to Eastport, John's "tuneup" for the longer ride. (Photos follow)







John shared his beloved camp in East Boothbay for high-spirited diving, swimming, and buttery lobster feasts. We also discovered that he was less hair-raising piloting a boat than he was driving his Subaru.





He liked to show off his engineering skills with his “famous” home-made Potato Cannon.



A rare pause for a quiet moment— during the Linekin Regatta, with Anne.



Now
Here's
A
Reunion!



Iuli and
very
proud
Grandpa



Unsolicited but sincere thanks from hugging politicians, and applause from grateful Mainers for the Father of the Eastern Trail.



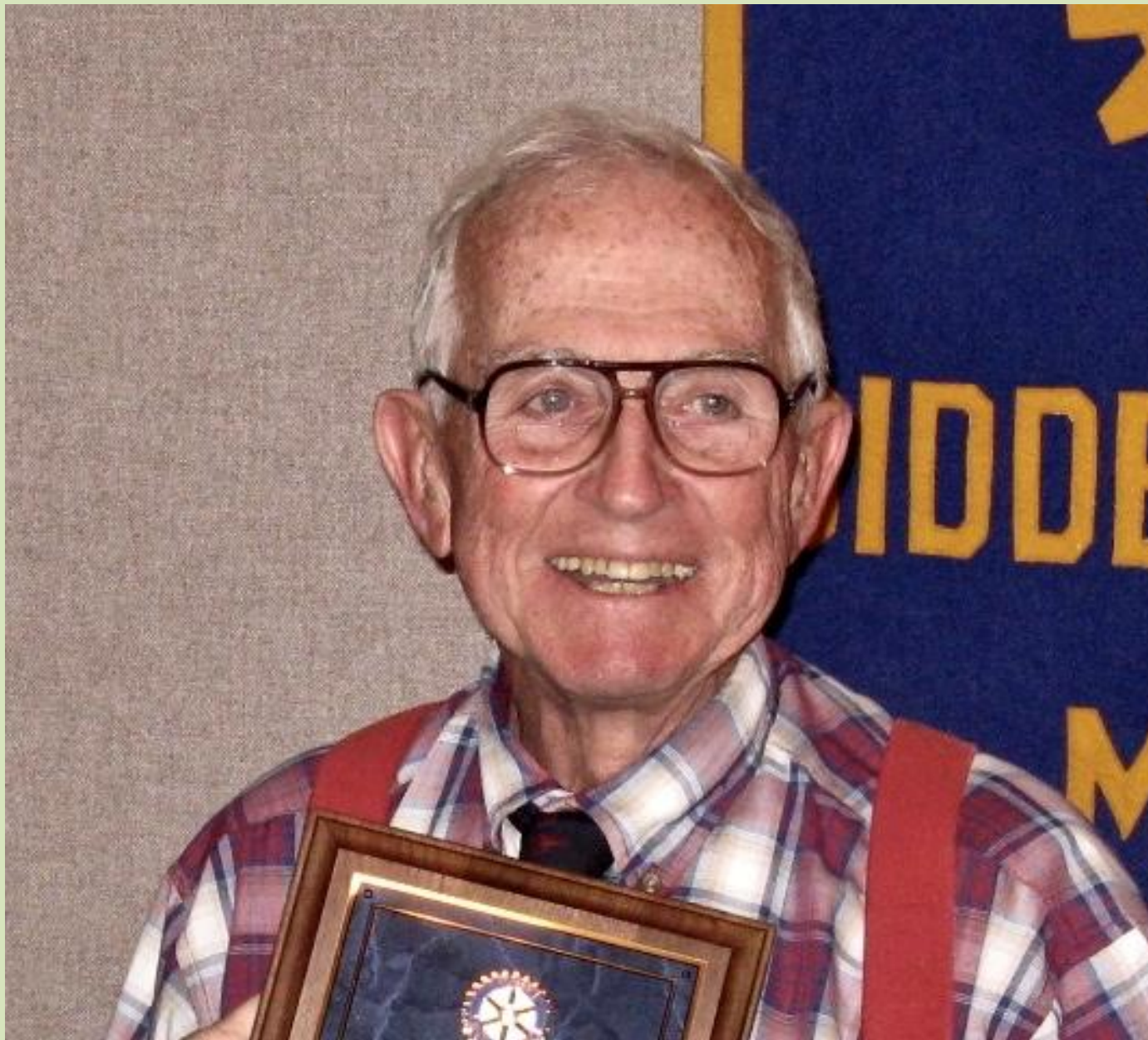
William Kany Community Service Award



Biddeford Saco Rotary Club Award for years of service



Close up of that inimitable Andrews smile.




Dedication of the John R. Andrews Bridge over Rte 1 in Saco









Eastern Trail
East Coast Greenway

John R. Andrews Bridge



But beyond and above the awards, the mounted plaques, and the monuments is the indelible memory of a dedicated and forward-looking man.

Thank you, John, for so generously spending time with us.

We would like to think of you out there—on a trail, on your bike—making your steady way into a misty future and toward unending miles of adventure.

