The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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



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."

2016-2017 Officers:

Rotary International President: John Germ - District 7780 Governor: Marge Barker - Oxford Hills Rotary President: Joel Speakman - Pres. Elect: Chris Weston - Vice-pres.: George Rice - Treas.: Pat Cook - Sec.: John Griffith - Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett - Past pres.: Chris Summers - Club Service Chair: Ron Morse - Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Dan Allen - International Service Chair: Beth Abbott - Youth Service Chair: Lynne Schott

Home Club of PDG George Rice

Welcome and Happy New Year! Today is the 11th day of 2017. There are 354 days remaining in the year. This morning, we have the January Students of the Month and their guests with us. Lynne Schott 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 207-743-6129 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.

1/17 - District Visioning Event at Atlantic Federal Credit Union, 55 Cushing St., Brunswick - 4:45PM - 8:30PM.

1/18 - George Rice and Bob Schott

1/21 – Tentative shopping and delivery for the food pantries

1/25 – Evening Visioning meeting, 5:00PM – 8:30PM.

1/30 - Mid-year Dinner, Fireside Inn & Suites, Westbrook, 5:30PM - 9:00PM.

1/30 - Board meeting at Joel's office, South Paris, 5:30 PM

2/1 – February Students of the Month and George Rice

2/8 - Bob Schott and Kim Preble

2/15 – Lynne Schott and Dave Preble

<u>Visiting Rotarians and Guests</u>: There were no visiting Rotarians. Guests were George and Louise Campbell, guests of Ron Morse; Josie Mains, granddaughter and guest of Tina Fox, and Ben Schott, guest of Lynne Schott.

Announcements:

<u>President Joel –</u> Rotarian of the Year nominations were due last week. If you have not handed one in and would still like to, please get it to Pat, John or Curtis asap.

On a motion by Patty Rice and second by Tina Fox, the following slate of officers was approved unanimously for the 2017-2018 Rotary year:

President: Chris Weston
President-elect: George Rice
Vice-president: Pat Cook
Secretary: John Griffith
Treasurer: Rachel Brown
Sergeant-at-Arms: Stan Brett

Club Services Director: Chris Summers
Vocational Services Director: Bob Schott
Community Services Director: Beth Abbott
International Services Director: Val Weston
Youth Services Director: Lynne Schott

Past President: Joel Speakman

<u>John Griffith</u>—we have decided to help out the pantries in West Paris, Otisfield (Rayville Rd.), Harrison and Rowe School. I have contacted all but Rowe School and am waiting to hear back from them on their needs. I have tentatively set Saturday, January 21, as the shopping and delivery day with the next week as a back-up.

Last Week:

President Joel led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by Dan Allen leading us in a rousing rendition of Auld Lang Sine. Glenn offered the blessing.

Kim Preble introduced our guest speaker, Christina McAnuff, Executive Director of the Olympia Snowe Women's Leadership Institute. Founded in 2014 to promote confidence building and raise the aspirations of sophomore through senior high school female students, the program selects candidates that aren't already team leaders or top students to further develop self-esteem during their teen years. The program is now available to students in 36 Maine schools including Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. Selection is done through the help of school guidance counselors. The program relies on volunteers including our own Kim Preble who is a volunteer advisor at Poland Regional High School.

Happy Dollars : [Dan] was happy to be a member of OH Rotary. [Kim] was happy that Christina was able to speak today and that her family had their first Christmas with her new nephew. [Bob] was happy that Ben came to the meeting and that the solar panel project he is working on at home is progressing well. [Tina] was happy for Christmas and family time and that Josie came to the meeting with her. [Lynne] was happy that Ben was here, too, and that her granddaughter can already call her on the telephone. [Glenn] had a happy remembrance dollar for his mother who passed away earlier this year.

<u>50/50 –</u> Dan's number was drawn but he drew the Jack of Spades, so the pot rols over once again.

<u>January Birthdays:</u> Stan Brett – 1/3; Heather (Joel) Speakman – 1/9; Susan Graves – 1/12; Dan Allen – 1/22.

January Anniversaries: None listed

<u>January Membership Anniversaries:</u> Dan Hart – 32 years – 1/1; Dave Preble – 33 years – 1/1; Stan Brett – 22 years – 1/4; Paul Thornfeldt – 24 years – 1/8; Lois Strauss – 13 years – 1/15; Susan Graves – 13 years – 1/29

Thanks to Curtis Cole for taking notes for me last week while I was (and still am) fighting a cold.

Thought for the Week:

"One can never have enough socks."

~ Dumbledore~

The 4 Way Test of the things we think, say or do:

- 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

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.orgth

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

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