

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

Wednesday, January 27, 2016 The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills PO Box 14 Norway, ME 04268 Rotary Theme for 2015-2016: "Be a gift to the world"

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."

2015-2016 Officers:

Rotary International President: K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran – District 7780 Governor: Sheila Rollins – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Chris Summers – Pres. Elect: Joel Speakman – Vice-pres.: Chris Weston – Treas.: Pat Cook – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Christina Twitchell – Club Service Chair: Ron Morse – Vocational Service Chair: Community Service Chair: Dan Allen; Phil Libby – International Service Chair: Dave Preble – Youth Service Chair: Kim Preble

Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Beth Abbott

<u>Welcome!</u> Today is the 27th day of 2016. There are 339 days remaining in the year. Glenn Huntley is program chair this week. His guest speaker is Ron Fournier, Director of the 4H Camp and Learning Center who will be talking about becoming an "Outdoors Woman."

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.

2/1 – Mid-year District Dinner at Fireside Inn and Suites, Portland, 5:30PM – 8:30PM.

2/3 - February Students of the Month and Bob Schott

2/8 – February Board Meeting at TD Bank in Oxford, 5:30PM – 6:30PM.

2/10 – Ron Morse and Lynne Schott

2/17 – Dave Preble and Patty Rice

2/24 – Kim Preble and George Rice

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: There were no visiting Rotarians or guests last week.

<u>Proposed Member</u> – Dennis Smith has been proposed as a member by Tally Decato and Dan Allen. Dennis's classification will be Business Management Services. If anyone has any comments, questions or concerns about this nomination, please speak to a board member (2).

Announcements:

<u>President Chris</u> – Please note that the February board meeting has been moved to the 8th due to a conflict with the Mid-year Dinner.

<u>Patty Rice</u> – the Mid-year Dinner for next year's Presidents, President-elects and Vice-presidents is coming up on Monday, February 1st. If you have not made reservations, please do so.

It is time to sign up for RLI in Lewiston which will be on March 19 at the USM campus in Lewiston.

Patty also found a release in her "archives" for the Students of the Month to sign so we can use their pictures for publicity. There was some discussion about the form and whether or not it was absolutely necessary. In the end, it was decided to err on the side of caution and use it.

<u>PE Joel – presented his proposed officers for his year as President. Dave Preble made a motion that the officers be approved as presented and was seconded by Tally Decato. The motion passed unanimously.</u>

<u>John</u> reminded everyone that the Rotarian of the Year nomination forms are due next week (which is today). John, Curtis and Ron will be getting together to review the nominations and decide on the 2015 ROTY early next month. This lead to a discussion about when to present the ROTY award since we do not have an annual dinner scheduled. John suggested that we present the ROTY at our March 30th meeting at Maurice's which is what we did last year. After discussing this and other suggestions concerning an annual dinner, it was decided to use the March 30th meeting and see if we could have a buffet or sit down dinner rather than just hors d'oeuvres at modest additional cost. President Chris said he would speak to Maurice's and let us know.

John also brought up the "Rule of 85" again to clarify what must be done in order to use it. According to the Manual of Procedure, a Rotarian wishing to use the rule must request it in writing to the board and the board must approve it. To that end, John made written request forms which are available if you wish to take advantage of this rule.

Last Week:

John's guest speaker, Emma Bodwell from Bridgton-Lakes Region, was not able to make our meeting so our time was used voting on the officers for next year, discussing whether or not to have an annual dinner and the Rule of 85.

(c) Happy Dollars **(c)** - *Curtis* and Terry had a great trip to Kansas to visit their #2 son and #3 grandson. They did a little bit of sight-seeing and Curtis enjoyed the Truman Library in Independence, Missouri. <u>Glenn</u> told us about his guest speaker next week and yes, Ron Fournier is going to talk about becoming an "Outdoors Woman." **Bob** told us about his mother and father and how they came to meet.

<u>50/50 –</u> Val drew Joel's number but Joel didn't draw the King of Clubs!

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

January Anniversaries: None

January Membership Anniversaries: Dave Preble -1/1 - 33 years; Stan Brett -1/4 - 22 years; Paul Thornfeldt -1/8 - 24 years; Lois Strauss -1/15 - 13 years; Susan Graves -1/29 - 13 years.

Make-ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel Inn, Bethel
www.bethelrotary.org
Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Bridgton Alliance Church, Harrison Rd., 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, 2:30 PM, Room A200, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School

Thought for the week:

"A genuine leader is not a searcher for consensus but a molder of consensus."

~Martin Luther King~

<u>The 4-Way Test</u> of the things we think, say or do

Is it the TRUTH?
 Is it FAIR to all concerned?
 Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



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