

Rotary



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
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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."

2018-2019 Officers:

Rotary International President: Barry Rassin - District 7780 Governor: John LoBosco – Oxford Hills Rotary President: George Rice – Pres. Elect: Pat Cook – Vice-pres.: Lynne Schott – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Chris Weston – Club Service Chair: Chris Summers – Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of President and PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 283rd day of 2018. There are 82 days remaining in the year. This morning's meeting is a Club Assembly. Our greeter is Chris Weston.

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. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia.

10/17 – Dan Hart and Miranda Ward

10/18 – PROGRESS CENTER COMMUNITY DINNER, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. – Tally Decato and Curtis Cole have volunteered to help serve.

10/24 – Glenn Huntley and Paul Thornfeldt

10/24 – WORLD POLIO DAY

10/31 – Liz Knox and Tonya Swart

10/31 – Membership Committee meeting after our regular morning meeting

11/3 – FOUNDATION, MEMBERSHIP AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE SEMINAR, HUSSON UNIVERSITY, 340 COUNTY RD., WESTBROOK, ME, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM.

11/5 – BOARD MEETING AT DEERING MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTER, SOUTH PARIS, 5:30 PM.

11/6 – Election Day! Don't forget to vote!

11/7 – Club Assembly and Chris Summers. We will be meeting at the Progress Center as the church will be a wreath construction zone.

11/14 – November Students of the Month and Joel Speakman

Visiting Rotarians and guests: We missed Lois Strauss last week. Abbey Earle was the guest of Chris Summers for the last time. PP Roy and Linda Earle were our guests. They came to see Roy's great-granddaughter, Abbey, inducted as our newest member.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Val Weston told us that the new issue of "The Rotarian" is all about Polio and brought our attention to the article on page 62 about the Polio Eradication Champion Award given to Canadian Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, in acknowledgement of his government's efforts to achieve a polio-free world. Canada has been a champion in the fight to eradicate polio since 1986 when it became the first government to formally fund global polio immunization efforts.

Announcements:

President George – It is not too late to sign up for the Foundation seminar on November 3rd, but don't delay if you want to go because space is limited. It is very easy to do and you don't have to give a credit card number.

Once again, please remember to put your volunteer hours in the notebook which is on the table at the back of the room.

We received a nice thank you letter from one of our scholarship awardees, Lucas Allen. He is enjoying his classes at Bates College very much and said he has made a lot of new friends.

Club Protection Officer **Dan Hart** said that he would have a brief program and video after our regular meeting on October 24th to show members who missed his presentation last month. Please plan to stay a little longer that day. Every member needs to go through the training on harassment.

Lynne Schott – announced that she and Bob have purchased the Moon bounce from the club. She said her granddaughter is very excited about it. Lynne said that she and Bob will make it available to the club to use at May Day Play Day and any other events. Just call ahead.

Bob Schott – told us that the board had approved \$200 to purchase supplies for us to build and set up two "Little Free Libraries" in the area, perhaps in Moore Park and another in Norway or Oxford. Bob said that he would check with local lumber companies to see if they might donate materials.

Bob also said that the board had approved his idea of having a "Cornhole" tournament in January when not a whole lot is going on. With the support of the club, Bob will pursue the idea.

Last Week:

President George led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-Way Test. In the absence of our two best song leaders, AG Chris Summers led us in singing the National Anthem. We actually did okay, but Chris could have picked something a little easier to sing! Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

The first order of business was to induct Abbey Earle as our newest member, as well as our youngest member. Abbey is a student at St. Joseph's College and a Behavioral Specialist at the Progress Center. As previously mentioned, she is the great-granddaughter of PP Roy Earle. It was great to see Roy (and Linda) again and to have Roy pin Abbey.

We did not have a traditional program – we had a working program. Dictionary Chair (I just made that up) John Griffith brought in 12 cartons of dictionaries and the labels to affix to them. Everyone pitched in and all of the labels were in the dictionaries within 10 minutes. John also circulated a sign-up sheet with the schedule to deliver them to the schools beginning October 15th.

For those who did not get a chance to sign up last week, this is the delivery schedule so far:

Monday, October 15 – Hebron – 9:00 AM
Monday, October 15 – Agnes Gray, West Paris – 1:00 PM
Tuesday, October 16 – Rowe School, Norway – 11:00 AM
Thursday, October 18 – Otisfield – 9:30 AM
Thursday, October 18 – Oxford – 11:00 AM
Friday, October 19 – Oxford Hills Christian Academy – 9:30 AM
Monday, October 22 – Paris – 1:00 PM

As of this writing, I have not heard from Harrison, so I will schedule them when I get back from Pennsylvania. President George has the sign-up sheet and will be circulating it again this week.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊 – Lynne was happy to say that she and Bob purchased the Moon Bounce from the club. PP Chris W. said he was happy all the time. Glenn had happy dollars for the Progress Center and passed along the Center's appreciation to the club for all we do for them. Curtis and Terry went to the Patriot's game last weekend and had a great time. Curtis said he had not been to a game since 1971 and that Terry had never been. John was happy to be leaving for the car meet in Hershey, PA, on Saturday. He also thanked the club for helping with the dictionaries. Linda Earle had a happy to be here and see everyone again.

50/50 – Dan Hart drew PP Roy Earle's number but alas, Roy did not draw the King of Clubs. The pot is up to \$267.00.

October Birthdays – Bruce Cook – 10/13; Terry Cole – 10/26

October Anniversaries – Curtis & Terry Cole – 10/6; Mike & Beth Abbott – 10/11

October Membership Anniversaries – Glenn Huntley – 34 yrs. – 10/3; Chris Weston – 5 yrs. – 10/9; Chris Summers – 6 yrs. – 10/10; Tina Fox – 2 yrs. – 10/19; Tally Decato – 25 yrs. – 10/20; Christina Twitchell – 7 yrs. – 10/26

October is Economic and Community Development Month:

“Innovations that are guided by smallholder farmers, adapted to local circumstances, and sustainable for the economy and environment, will be necessary to ensure food security in the future.”

~ Bill Gates, Sr. ~

Some, maybe most of us, will remember this:

60 years ago, October 4, 1958, trans-Atlantic passenger jet service began with commercial flights between New York and London.

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.org

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