



Rotary

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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."

2020-2021 Officers:

Rotary International President: Holger Knaack, Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Molln - District 7780 Governor: Marguerite Belanger, Rotary Club of Kennebunk-Portside – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Lynne Schott – Co Pres. Elect: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Vice-president: vacant - Treas.: Liz Knox – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Pat Cook – Club Service Chair: George Rice – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 296th day of 2020. There are 70 days remaining in the year. Bob Schott is program char and Liz Knox will be substituting for George Rice who is at cardiac rehab this morning.

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.

October

24 – Bridgton-Lake Region Rotary Polio Plus Event at the Bridgton Hospital

28 – Chris Summers and Patty Rice

November

2- Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:30 PM.

4 – Club Assembly and Heidi Ortiz

11 – Veteran's Day Zoom meeting – Paul THornfeldt and Ron Morse

18 – Val Weston and George Rice

25 – Beth Abbott and Peter Kaurup

30 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:30 PM

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Warren Spencer from the South Berwick-Eliot Club and Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida were our visiting Rotarians. Ron Vallee was the guest of Glenn Huntley.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Dave Preble reminded us that October 24th is World Polio Day. There are still more than 80,000,000 children who have not received vaccinations. Of course, COVID and the restrictions many countries put into place prevented Rotary from vaccinating as many children this year as in the past. Since July, however, Africa has been free of polio. Dave took this info from the Rotary magazine if you would like to read more.

Proposed Member:

Tina Fox has proposed Alice Paul as a member. Alice's classification is Health Care-Medical Assistant. IF anyone has any questions, comments or concerns about this proposal, please speak to a board member.

Last Week:

President Lynne led us in the Pledge and 4 Way Test. Glenn offered the blessing.

President Lynne presented Perfect Attendance awards to Dave Preble for 5 years and Paul Thornfeldt for 19 years. Lynne herself received a certificate for 16 years and her husband, Bob, received one for 24 years.

Lynne also presented Glenn Huntley with his Paul Harris + 1 pin. Congratulations, Glenn!

John - last week, Tina announced that the Student of the Month Program would begin in November as scheduled and that only the student and one parent would be allowed to attend our meetings. However, in checking with the church, we were told that they could not be accommodated under the current restrictions so we will have to think of some other way to honor the students.

Because I thought the students would be coming, I adjusted the program and greeter schedule to allow for their visits. Since they won't be able to be with us, I have had to change the schedule again so please take a look at it. I have also taken members who are currently Zooming out of the rotation.

We had a Fireside Chat last Wednesday evening, October 14, at the South Paris Town Office for Warren Spencer and Alice Paul. Phyllis Summers was unable to be with us so we will schedule a chat for her at a later date. Tally provided a variety of refreshments and we had some great conversations about membership and Rotary in general.

Paul Thornfeldt – once again told us that he has called Cabot Cheese four times in the last two weeks and still has not received any response from them. Very frustrating.

**** Update on Cabot Cheese **** On October 16, Paul sent all of us an e-mail to say Cheese sales are a go! We can start selling now. The deadline is November 18. Paul will be going to Cabot in Vermont on November 23rd to pick up the cheese. There will only be one delivery, so order for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Paul will keep the Christmas cheese in storage until needed.

Peter Kaurup gave me information on the Bridgton-Lake Region Polio Plus event on October 24th –

“Included in this event will be the planting of 2500 purple crocus bulbs to symbolize Rotary’s role in polio eradication around the world. Purchase one or more packages of 25 purple crocus bulbs from the Bridgton-Lake Region Rotary Club. All proceeds will be donated to Rotary International’s Polio Plus program. Thanks to a generous 2:1 matching pledge from the Gates Foundation, every \$10 contribution becomes \$30, multiplying the impact. Checks can be made out to Bridgton Rotary Foundation and mailed to Bridgton Rotary, PO Box 845, Bridgton, ME 04009. Please note that the check is for the Polio Project. If you would like to use PayPal, at the send money to option, enter our e-mail address (lakeregionrotary@gmail.com). Include in the note section Polio Plus. For questions or more information, you may contact Julie Forbes at Lakeregionrotary@gmai.com”.

Patty Rice introduced our guest speaker, Jen Kyllonen, Vice-president and co-founder of the Pink Feather Foundation. The Foundation started in 2011 with the goal of helping neighbors in the community, including distributing anywhere from 15 to 50 Thanksgiving food baskets. Their mission changed in 2018 when a young girl was found who needed clothing. Relying on donations, they received many bags of clothing donations to be sorted, washed and ironed. They moved from Jen’s home to space in the Flagship Cinema building and then to the National Wood Products building. They provide clothing for students from kindergarten through high school. The Foundation is teacher centered, meaning that the teacher refers to the Foundation. Students are given a box of clothing with enough clothes for one week. They are constantly looking for gently used or new clothing although they have currently stopped accepting donations because they don’t have any more room for more. Kids are a big part of their volunteers but they are always looking for more help. We presented Jen with a check for \$500 to help with the program.

😊 Happy and Sad Dollars 😊

Dan H. had a reminder dollar for the Fireside Chat at the South Paris Town Office.

Patty had happy dollars for our guest speaker, Jen. She helped out at the Progress Center Drive-by Food Pantry on Monday and is looking for more volunteers to help out each week. She also told us she had a nice visit with Jim Lilley and said he is doing very well.

Dave had a happy dollar for the Tampa Bay Rays who are one game away from the World Series – although I am not sure he wants that known publicly.

Glenn had a thank you dollar for Ron Vallee coming with him this morning and was happy to see Jen Kyllonen.

50/50 – Dave drew Dan H.’s number. Dan drew a King but not the King of Clubs. There was \$78 in the pot.

October Birthdays – Terry (Curtis) Cole – 10/26

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

October Membership Anniversaries – Abbie Earle – 2 yrs. – 10/3; Glenn Huntley – 36 yrs. – 10/3; Chris Summers – 8 yrs. – 10/10; Tina Fox – 4 yrs. – 10/19; Tally Decato – 27 yrs. – 10/20

Would you believe 50 years ago:

PBS, the American, non-profit, public television broadcast network that originated shows such as Sesame Street and Masterpiece Theater, began operations in October 1970. Does anyone remember what WCBB stood for?

Brain Teaser:

If the day after the day before yesterday was Wednesday, and the day before the day after tomorrow is Friday, what day is today?

The 4-Way Test

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER 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.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