



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills  
PO Box 14  
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Wednesday, October 23, 2019

**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."

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### 2019-2020 Officers:

Rotary International President: Mark D. Maloney, Rotary Club of Decatur, Alabama - District 7780 Governor: Andrew Glazier, Rotary Club of Kittery – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Pat Cook – Pres. Elect: Lynne Schott – Vice-pres.: to be determined – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: George Rice – Club Service Chair: Chris Weston – 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

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**Good morning and Welcome!** Today is the 296<sup>th</sup> day of 2019. There are 69 days remaining in the year. Dave Preble is program chair and Joel Speakman is 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 207-461-7158 or at [griffs2@roadrunner.com](mailto: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:

23 – Dave Preble and Joel Speakman

30 – George Rice and Bob Schott. George's guest speaker will be PDG Lawrence Furbish who will be talking about the Foundation and its opportunities for us as a Rotary Club.

### November:

4 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Hall, 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM

6 – Club Assembly and Lynne Schott

13 – November Students of the Month and Patty Rice. We will be meeting at the Progress Center due to wreath making at the church.

20 – Patty Rice and George Rice

21 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

27 – Lynne Schott and Dave Preble

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** There were no visiting Rotarians. However, we did have three guests – Dawne Wilton was the guest of Paul Thornfeldt, Laura Morse was the guest of Ron Morse and Julie Hart was the guest of Dan Hart.

**Rotary Moment:** Greeter Becky Kaurup talked about the Rotary Rocks District Conference on October 4<sup>th</sup>. She told us that the Keynote speaker, Jeff Cadorette, gave a fantastic speech and was very motivating. The take away that she got was that we need to listen to younger members and prospective members and make changes or compromises to increase our membership. We need to remember that these new, younger people are the future of Rotary.

### **Announcements:**

A sympathy card was passed around for us to sign for past member, Perry Palmer, whose mother passed away last week.

**Tina Fox** announced that her daughter, Lindsay, had a baby boy just a day or so before our last meeting. He was not due until December but still weighed over 4 lbs. Everyone is doing okay but baby Gilbert will have to stay in the hospital until he is strong enough to go home.

**John Griffith** is in the process of setting up appointments for us to deliver to the dictionaries to the 3<sup>rd</sup> grader. West Paris is scheduled for 2:00 PM on Friday, October 18; Hebron is scheduled for Monday, October 21 at 9:15 AM and Harrison is also scheduled for Monday at 12:30 PM. Rowe School is scheduled for Friday, October 25, at 9:30 AM. John needs 1 additional person to help in West Paris, one in Hebron, 3 to help in Harrison, and 5 to help at Rowe.\*\*\*

\*\*\* Update, due to John's bad cold and not feeling well, the Hebron and Harrison deliveries were cancelled and have been rescheduled for the same times on Monday, October 28.

All of the other schools have been called, but John has not yet received return calls. He will keep trying. Hopefully, there will be a sign-up sheet ready at today's meeting.

### **Last Week:**

**President Pat** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, the 4 Way Test and the Rotary prayer. **Dan Allen** led us in singing "Yankee Doodle."

President Pat then presented Beth and Lynne with perfect attendance awards for 17 years and 15 years respectively. Beth then presented President Pat with her perfect attendance award for 12 years. Congratulations!

**Program Chair Heidi Ortiz** introduced our guest speakers, Peter and Gail Wright, the new owners of Hillside Cottages on the Harrison Rd. Peter and Gail are from Scotland. They came here 5 years ago on a foliage tour and fell in love with the area. After a particularly dismal summer in Scotland, they decided to

make the move to a more favorable climate. They had to buy a business to get a visa and go through an extensive interview process at the American embassy in London. Although they made other, shorter trips to the US in the interim, they closed on the Harrison property in March and went back to Scotland to do their final packing and collect their dogs, returning to the US on the QEII. They are open for business but have been busy painting, cleaning and sprucing up the cottages and the property. So far, they are very happy with the way things are going as a result of Gail's increased marketing efforts.

On behalf of the Membership committee, [Dan Hart](#) thanked Daddy O's for hosting and thanked everyone for coming to our first evening meeting. We had 27 in attendance and I think everyone agreed it was a nice change of pace.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊

[President Pat](#) – had a happy dollar for how well everything turned out for our evening meeting.

[Bob](#) – was happy that all 4 bridges on Indian Pond Rd. are being re-done by the state.

[Curtis](#) – had a nice Sunday with Roy and Linda Earle and Ed Gabrielson riding the train in Rockland.

[Patty](#) – was happy for Gail and Peter Wright being with us.

**October Birthdays** – Bruce (Pat) Cook – 10/13; Terry (Curtis) Cole – 10/26

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

**October Membership Anniversaries** – Abby Earle – 1 yr – 10/3; Glenn Huntley – 35 yrs. – 10/3; Chris Weston – 6 yrs. – 10/9; Chris Summers – 7 yrs. – 10/10; Tina Fox – 3 yrs. – 10/19; Tally Decato – 26 yrs. – 10/20.

### **By the Numbers:**

**204 billion:** The number of leaf bearing trees in the United States. That's 650 trees per person. There are 28,000 leaf disposal related injuries reported each year.

### **Remember the 4-Way Test:**

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](http://www.bethelrotary.org)

**Bridgton-Lake Region** – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Community Center, 15 Depot St., Bridgton

[www.lakeregionrotary.org](http://www.lakeregionrotary.org)

**Fryeburg** – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg

[www.fryeburgrotary.org](http://www.fryeburgrotary.org)

**River Valley** – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford

[www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org](http://www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org)

**Interact** – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School

