# **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."

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#### 2017-2018 Officers:

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

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# Happy Thanksgiving!

<u>Good Evening and Welcome:</u> Today is the 331st day of 2017. There are 32 days remaining in the year. This being the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the month, it is an evening pot luck social meeting at the Oxford American Legion. Beth Abbott 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 207-461-7158 or at <a href="mailto:griffs2@roadrunner.com">griffs2@roadrunner.com</a>. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia.

12/6 – Club Assembly and Val Weston

12/13 – December Students of the Month and Miranda Ward

12/20 - OHCHS Chorale and AG Chris Summers

12/27 – Quarterly Visioning update and Joel Speakman

1/2/18 - Board Meeting at Joel's office in South Paris, 5:30 PM

1/3 - Club Assembly and Bob Schott

1/10 – January Students of the Month and Lynne Schott

Congratulations to the Interact Club for winning 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the non-profit category for their float in the Christmas parade. Awesome job, all, and thank you Tina for your leadership with the club!

<u>Visiting Rotarians and Guests:</u> Several members of the Auburn-Lewiston Breakfast Club joined us – Christopher Paradis, Pete Preble, Norm Lamie, Nancy Richard and John Lloyd – in addition to our guest speaker, PRIVP Mike McGovern from South Portland-Cape Elizabeth. Interact student, Taylor Haggerty was the guest of Tina Fox.

#### **Announcements:**

<u>Ron Morse</u> – The deadline for the second delivery of Cabot cheese wheels is our December 6th meeting with delivery the next week, December 13<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Beth Abbott</u> – thanks to all who helped with the food pantry shopping and delivery on November 18<sup>th</sup>. We delivered to the pantries in West Paris and Otisfield, and both were extremely grateful.

#### Last Week:

After the pledge and 4-Way Test, Dan Allen led us in signing "Jingle Bells". Dan told us that JB was originally written as a Thanksgiving song but has now become a popular Christmas song.

President Chris presented Beth Abbott with her 15 year perfect attendance award. Congratulations, Beth.

Chris and Pete Preble, president of the Auburn-Lewiston Breakfast club exchanged club flags.

<u>Program Chair George Rice</u> introduced our guest speaker, PRIVP Mike McGovern, from South Portland- Cape Elizabeth. Mike gave a very interesting talk on the origin and history of the Rotary Foundation which is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. The Foundation, as we know it, did not come about until the passing of Paul Harris in 1947 when Rotarians sent money to the Foundation in his memory. It was the first time the Foundation had any significant money and it grew from there. Mike then went on to review Polio Plus and just how close we are to finally eradicating the disease.

Happy Dollars — Pete Preble was happy to be with us. He also had a happy dollar for the blueberry French toast we had for breakfast. <u>Dan</u> was happy to announce that we will be sending \$2500 to Puerto Rico for hurricane relief. <u>Tina</u> had happy dollars for Taylor being with her this morning and her husband and kids for their support.

<u>50/50 –</u> Glenn drew Lynne's number but Lynne didn't draw the King of Clubs.

## Thought for the Week:

"Never interrupt someone doing what you said couldn't be done."

~ Amelia Earhart ~

November Birthdays - Bob Schott - 11/1; Julie (Dan) Hart - 11/4

November Anniversaries - Dan & Julie Hart - 11/8; Glenn & Sharon Huntley - 11/26

**November Membership Anniversaries:** Ron Morse – 7 yrs. – 11/10; George Rice – 34 yrs. – 11/11

## 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 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.orgth

**River Valley** – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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