

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."

2017-2018 Officers:

Rotary International President: Ian Risely - District 7780 Governor: David Underhill – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Chris Weston – Pres. Elect: George Rice – Vice-pres.: Pat Cook – Treas.: Louise Campbell – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Joel Speakman – 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 PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Merry
Christmas!

Good Morning and Welcome: Today is the 352nd day of 2017. There are 11 days remaining in the year. This morning we welcome the OHCHS Chorale and AG Chris Summers 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. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia.

12/20 – 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

1/13 – After the Holidays Holiday Party at the VFW Hall in Harrison, 5:30 PM

1/17 – Patty Rice and Patty Rice

1/24 – Lynne Schott and George Rice

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: There were no visiting Rotarians. The December Students of the Month and their guests were with us last week.

Announcements:

President Chris – We received three thank you notes last week. The Otisfield Food Pantry thanked us for the delivery we made to them last month. They were very appreciative of our donation. We received a thank you from the 3rd grade class in Otisfield and we received a thank you from the Dictionary Project.

Ron, George and John rode down to Portland to pick up the cheese wheels after our meeting last week. They had planned to go Tuesday so as to have the cheese ready for pick-up at our meeting on Wednesday, but Tuesday's snow storm kept them off the road. Joel graciously allowed us to use his office as a drop off / pick-up point for members to pick up their cheese.

John – Don't forget to hand in your nomination forms for Rotarian of the Year. The ROTY Committee would like to meet in early January to make their decision.

PE George Rice – the following officers and directors have been proposed for the 2018-2019 Rotary year:

<u>President:</u>	George Rice
<u>President elect:</u>	Pat Cook
<u>Vice-president:</u>	(vacant)
<u>Treasurer:</u>	Louise Firth-Campbell
<u>Secretary:</u>	John Griffith
<u>Past President:</u>	Chris Weston
<u>Sgt. At Arms:</u>	Stan Brett
<u>Club Service Chair:</u>	Chris Summers
<u>Vocational Service Chair:</u>	Bob Schott
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<u>Youth Service Chair:</u>	Tina Fox

We will be voting on these nominations at our December 27th meeting.

Last Week:

After the Pledge, Dan led us in singing “Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer”, a song he said that we hadn’t sung in over three years. I could not believe it was that long ago as I distinctly remember singing it not so long ago with Lois adding in “like a light bulb” etc. Where does the time go?

Tina Fox led the program for the December Students of the Month. The students were recognized for “Exemplifying Positive Leadership. After the presentations, President Chris showed two videos of 4-Way Test Speaker winners, both of which were very impressive. Dan spoke briefly about Rotary as he handed out 4-Way Test coin key chains.

Unfortunately, I do not have the student’s write-ups available so will publish them next week.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊 - Ron received a message from Frank and Connie with \$5 in it and wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Tina had happy dollars for the Interact Club, thanking us for our donations to Christmas for Teens. The students made refreshments for the intermission on Thursday after school. All agreed that the boy’s brownies were better than the girls! The club raised \$308. Tina also said that her mother was home and doing much better. Patty received payment from Dennis King and Jim Lilley for their cheese wheels and Happy Holidays wishes from both of them. Bob equated solar power with the 4 Way Test and said “zero is a nice number” when it comes to your power bill.

50/50 – Curtis drew Dave’s number but Dave didn’t draw the King of Clubs. No extra present for Becky this year. There was \$85 in the pot which rolls over.

December Birthdays – Curtis Cole – 12/6; Miranda Ward – 12/11; Andrew (Miranda) Ward – 12/25

December Anniversaries – Ron and Laura Morse – 12/20

December Membership Anniversaries: None listed

Thought for the week:

“It was always said of him, that he knew how to keep Christmas well, if any man alive possessed the knowledge. May it truly be said of us, and all of us! And so, as Tiny Tim observed, ‘God Bless Us, Every One”

~ Charles Dickens ~
A Christmas Carol

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.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

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