The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills PO Box 14 Norway, ME 04268

Wednesday, December 4, 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."

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

<u>Good Morning and Welcome!</u> Today is the 345th day of 2019. There are 20 days remaining in the year. This morning we have the December Students of the Month and their guests with us. Ron Morse is scheduled to be greeter but we will probably need someone to fill in for him.

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

December:

<u>18 – OHCHS Chorale and Liz Knox. No evening meeting.</u> <u>19 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM</u> <u>25 – Merry Christmas! No meeting!</u>

January:

<u>1 – Happy New Year! No meeting!</u>
<u>8 – January Students of the Month and Peter Kaurup</u>
<u>15 – Bob Schott and Becky Kaurup. Note, this will not be an evening meeting as the folks at Daddy O's are on vacation.</u>
<u>22 – Jen Sherbinski and Glenn Huntley</u>
<u>29 – Joel Speakman and Dan Hart</u>

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: PDG Marty Helman from the Boothbay club was our only visiting Rotarian. There were no other guests.

Last Week – Club Assembly:

<u>President Pat</u> led us in the Pledge, the 4-Way Test and the Rotary prayer. Dan A. led us in singing "Jingle Bells."

<u>Chris Weston</u> had two stents put in last Monday, the 2nd. He came home on Tuesday and is feeling much better.

Tally – a few surveys have been turned in. Please complete yours and get it to her as soon as you can. .

<u>Lynne</u> — we are still in need of a Vice-president for next year. It looks like we will have to have some repeat presidents or maybe we could do what some other clubs are doing and consider having a couple of members team up with each doing a half year.

Dan H. – still planning on programs in January having to do with Vocational Service. We have the January students on the 8th, then Bob Schott, Jen Sherbinski and Joel Speakman are program chairs in the 15th, 22nd and 29th respectively.

<u>Patty</u> – has come up with a club challenge on membership, breaking us up into teams and having teams earn points for proposing members. This will run from January through March. She will roll out the plan at our January 8th meeting.

George and Patty went to the Bethel breakfast on Sunday, December 1st, and sold 15 cheese wheels to Bethel Rotarians.

<u>**Dave**</u> we need to begin planning for our 2^{nd} Annual Cornhole Tournament. We need contacts and a location, hopefully larger than the Rowe School gym.

PDG Marty Helman said a few words on membership. There are two types of clubs now – traditional and flexible. There have been many changes in the world since Rotary was founded in 1905 and we need to be more flexible to get and retain new members. Increasingly, clubs are meeting on line. The District's New Voices Club meets on line and they hope to be chartered July 1^r 2020.

Happy Dollars C - For the second week in a row, we ran out of time so did not have any happy dollars.

<u>50/50</u> – Peter Kaurup drew Chris S's number but Chris pulled the 6 of Hearts from the deck. There was \$148 in the pot.

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

December Wedding Anniversaries – Ron & Laura Morse – 61 years – 12/20

December Membership Anniversaries – None Listed

<u>A Funny:</u>

Did you know that the first accountant hired by Ringling Brothers circus was later fired for juggling the books?

The Weekly Extra:

The term "Yuletide" comes from the Norse tradition of cutting and burning a tree to bring in the Winter Solstice. This was to last through twelve days – later known as the twelve days of Christmas.

Remember the 4-Way Test:

Is it the TRUTH?
 Is it FAIR to all concerned?
 Will it build GOODWILL and FRIENDSHIPS?
 Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Make-ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel Inn, Bethel <u>www.bethelrotary.org</u> Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Community Center, 15 Depot St., Bridgton <u>www.lakeregionrotary.org</u> Fryeburg – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg <u>www.fryeburgrotary.org</u> River Valley – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2nd floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford <u>www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org</u> Interact – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School

