

# Rotary



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills  
PO Box 14  
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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."

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### 2018-2019 Officers:

Rotary International President: Barry Rassin - District 7780 Governor: John LoBosco – Oxford Hills Rotary President: George Rice – Pres. Elect: Pat Cook – Vice-pres.: Lynne Schott – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Chris Weston – 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 President and PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

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**Good Morning and Welcome!** Today is the 23rd day of 2019. There are 342 days left in the year. Bob Schott is program chair this morning and Dan Hart 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.

**1/24/19 – Opioid Awareness Event, Maine Medical Center Dana Auditorium, 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM**

**1/28/19 – Mid-Year Leadership Dinner, Fireside Inn & Suites, Westbrook, 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

**1/30/19 – No morning meeting!**

**1/30/19 – Fireside Chat for Heidi Ortiz and Marianne Todd at Joel Speakman's office, 5:00 PM**

**2/2/19 – Annual Dinner and ROTY Presentation, Oxford Casino, 5:30 PM**

**2/4/19 – Board Meeting, Deering Memorial Community Center, South Paris, 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**

**2/6/19 – Club Assembly and Tina Fox**

**2/13/19 – Students of the Month and Abigail Earle**

**2/20/19 – Joel Speakman and Tally Decato**

**2/21/19 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. We need two volunteers to help serve.**

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** We did not have any visiting Rotarians again this week. Heidi Ortiz was the guest of Abigail Earle, and of course, we had the January Students of the Month and their guests with us.

**Rotary Moment** – From an article he read in Smithsonian Magazine, greeter John Griffith talked about the United States and how many years it has been “at war” since its inception. With the definition of war as using military force or the imminent threat of force to achieve national ends, the United States has been “at war” for 228 years since 1775, with only 16 years not “at war.” With the current world population of 7.53 billion, of which there are 1.2 million Rotarians, Rotarians make up .0015% of the world population. Thinking of the Rotarians of the world and the 4 Way Test, just think of how much more Rotary could do to achieve peace if there were more Rotarians and more people using the 4 Way Test.

### **Announcements:**

**Dave Preble** - The Cornhole Tournament continues to come together. For publicity, Dave would like to take a picture next (now this) week of the club wearing their Rotary shirts and displaying some Cornhole equipment. The committee would like to launch the publicity campaign on February 1. We are still working on getting sponsorships for the prizes.

**Chris Summers** – has had a conversation with Mary Ann Brown about this year’s Special Olympics Dance. We are looking at a date of April 6 so as not to interfere with a new fund raiser that Kiwanis is putting together for later in the month. We will have to recruit a new band as the one we had last year has dis-banded (no pun intended).

**Bob Schott** – looking for volunteers to help kids from Camp Sunshine learn to ski on the Monday and Friday of February school vacation. Come and help for a couple of hours and get a free day pass for doing so. Speak to Bob if you are interested.

### **Last Week:**

President George led us in the Pledge and the 4 Way Test. Once again, we had no song leader and no song. Curtis Cole gave the blessing.

Tina Fox spoke about the Student of the Month program and began the introduction of the students and their guests with the freshman student. The other students were introduced by John Griffith, Pat Cook and Lynne Schott. After the presentation of the students and their awards, John read a brief statement of Rotary Facts and President George gave the students a 4 Way Test key chain. I forgot to get the student write-ups from Tina so will publish them next week.

**😊 Happy Dollars 😊** – **Lynne** – had a happy dollar for the students, saying she misses seeing the kids at school since her retirement. She told us that her family had another Christmas with her granddaughter and grandson due to some of the family not being able to come for the Christmas holiday. And she had a happy dollar for Ben and his UVM students finishing their Grand Canyon expedition. **Tina** had a happy dollar for the students and her youngest daughter, whose house is coming along and will be ready to move into in a couple of weeks. **Miranda** had a happy dollar for the students

interested in the fashion program at the high school. She said she took it and loved it. She also told us that her twins, Jackson and Sullivan, have started skiing and they love it. **Bob** was happy that there is enough snow to ski off the beaten path and in the woods. **John** had a happy dollar for Glenn, explaining that he and Sharon delayed leaving for Florida until this past Monday due to weather conditions. He also said that Glenn had a message for President George that he wouldn't be in Zephyr Hills to torment Bill Castle until the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**50/50:** Miranda drew Peter Kaurup's number and guess what? Peter drew the King of Clubs and won the \$69.00 pot! Congratulations, Peter.

**January Birthdays** – Stan Brett – 1/3; Heather (Joel) Speakman – 1/9; Dan Allen – 1/22

**January Anniversaries** – Liz and David Knox – 1/22

**January Membership Anniversaries** – Dan Hart – 35 yrs. – 1/1; Dave Preble – 36 yrs. – 1/1; Stan Brett – 25 yrs. – 1/4; Paul Thornfeldt – 27 yrs. – 1/8; Peter Kaurup – 1 yr. – 1/24

### **January is Vocational Service Month**

“I am not influenced by the expectation of promotion or pecuniary reward. I wish to be useful, and every kind of service necessary for the public good, becomes honorable by being necessary.”

~ Nathan Hale ~

### **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