



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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."

2020-2021 Officers:

Rotary International President: Shekhar Mehta, Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanager, India - District 7780
Governor: Dick Hall, Rotary Club of Portland – Oxford Hills Rotary Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers
– Co-Pres. Elect: Vacant – Vice-president: Vacant - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms:
Stan Brett – Past pres.: Lynne Schott – Club Service Chair: George Rice – 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

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 335th day of 2021. There are 30 days remaining in the year. This morning our program is the OHCHS Chorale. Tally Decato is scheduled to be 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.

December:

1 – OHCHS Chorale and Tally Decato

8 – December Students of the Month and Curtis Cole

15 – Evening Meeting and Dan Allen. Bring a gift for a Yankee Swap!

22 – Classification Talk and Beth Abbott

29 – Ed Millett and Val Weston. Our guest speaker will be Kristina Carstensen who owns and manages a wildlife rehabilitation facility in Otisfield.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

We did not have any visiting Rotarians or guests last week.

Rotary Moment:

On behalf of and substituting for Tina Fox, Becky Kaurup talked about the Interact float for the Christmas parade on Saturday. The theme of the float is Charlie Brown and if anyone can help with the float, there will be a work session on Thursday at 11:00 in the automotive garage at the high school.

Announcements:

Co-President Peter – for those who did not see the e-mail from DG Dick Hall, Peter announced that Bob MacKenzie from the Kennebunk Club has been appointed District Governor for the 2024-2025 Rotary year.

A Reminder that we will be having a Yankee Swap at our evening meeting on December 15. If you plan to attend, please bring a gift, including spouses and guests, at a value not to exceed \$10. We will do the swap after dinner and have cleared with Linda that we will pick up and close the church.

Continuing Reminder – be sure to enter your extra hours in the log book, or e-mail or otherwise inform George of the extra time you put in for the month. It's easier to do it once a week than wait until the end of the month and try to remember what you did.

Last Week:

Co-President Peter led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

Peter passed out thank you letters for the dictionaries from the 3rd graders at Oxford Elementary and Harrison Elementary. If you didn't get a chance to read them, I'm sure they will be passed around again this week.

Peter also read a thank-you letter we received from the Helping Hands Food Pantry in Oxford for our recent donation.

Peter handed out two perfect attendance awards – Alice Paul for 1 year and Glenn Huntley for 35 years. Congratulations to Alice and Glenn.

Led by Dan Hart, we shared Thanksgiving memories and the things we are thankful for this year.

😊 Happy and Sad Dollars

Alice had happy dollars for her family and friends.

George told us that there were 2 new reported cases of polio in Afghanistan in October. We must not forget that polio is a plane ride away. He also had sad dollars for 1992-1993 PRI President Cliff Dochterman who recently passed away.

Ed was happy to announce that his father-in-law has been permanently appointed as pastor of 1st Congregational Church.

Glenn had proud dollars for his grandson who participated in cross country running and came in 8th place in his race in Vancouver which means he will be going to the Canadian national meet in Ottawa, Ontario.

Patty was happy that her son built a hunting shack for her granddaughter and that she was able to get a doe and a buck.

Dan H. said that he would be working with Heidi and Ed on vocational service month.

Paul told us that Dawne would be going out to British Columbia for the holidays to visit with her mother and family. He also had sad dollars for the massive flooding and devastation in BC recently and that many communities were cut off with no way in or out due to roads and bridges being destroyed.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

December Birthdays – Curtis Cole – 12/6

December Wedding Anniversaries – Ron and Laura Morse – 12/20

December Membership Anniversaries – Phyllis Summers – 1 yr – 12/30

Theory and Practice:

Theory is when you know everything but nothing works.

Practice is when everything works but no one knows why.

Put **Theory** and **Practice** together and nothing works and no one knows why.

Pun of the Week:

I only know one bad pun about paper. It's tearable.

November is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

“Medical science has proven time and again that when resources are provided, great progress in the treatment, cure and prevention of disease can occur.”

~ Michael J. Fox ~

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 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