

Rotary



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."

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

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 353rd day of 2018. There are 12 days remaining in the year. This morning we welcome the OHCHS Chorale directed by Dennis Boyd. Our greeter is Ron Morse.

Merry
Christmas!

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 – Progress Center Community Dinner – 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. John G. and Pat C. have volunteered.

12/26 – Patty Rice and Liz Knox. This will also be our Annual Meeting when we will vote on the slate of officers for next year.

1/2/19 – Lynne Schott and Peter Kaurup

1/7/19 – Board meeting at Deering Memorial Community Center, South Paris, 5:30 PM.

1/9/19 – January Students of the Month and Becky Kaurup

1/16/19 – Club Assembly and Glenn Huntley

1/17/19 – Progress Center Community Dinner – 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. We need two volunteers to help serve.

1/23/19 – Bob Schott and Dan Hart

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: We had one visiting Rotarian, District Governor Nominee, Peggy Belanger, from the Kennebunk Portside Club. Heidi Ortiz was the guest of Abby Earle and we were joined by the December Students of the Month and their guests.

Rotary Moment – Dave Preble was scheduled to be greeter but could not attend, so Patty Rice filled in for him. Her Rotary Moment was dedicated to our friend, Mary Lou Burns, who passed away last Friday, December 7th, at the age of 82. Patty read a portion of her obituary which was a tribute to her work with Rotary and how much she enjoyed being a member.

Announcements:

President George – another reminder to get our Rotarian of the Year nomination forms to one of the committee members.



Ron Morse – To date, we have sold 544 cheese wheels and due to demand, have ordered a few dozen more, so if you have someone that wants one (or another one), speak to Ron. I believe we make \$6 on each wheel sold so this should be our most profitable year yet.

Peter Kaurup – advised us that through the Norway Public Library, the Fryeburg Rotary is participating in free income tax preparation for senior citizens again this year. However, they are in need of volunteers this year and will not be able to continue the program unless they have more help. If anyone is interested, please speak to Peter or contact the Fryeburg Club.

Last Week:

President George led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-Way Test. AG Chris Summers led us in singing “Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer” Glenn Huntly gave the blessing.

The December Students of the Month and their guests were with us. I will publish their write-ups next week. After the students were introduced and given their awards, Greeter Patty Rice talked about the history of Rotary and our club.

 **Happy Dollars**  – Lynne had happy dollars for the Students of the Month and for the time she is getting to spend with her grandchildren. Ron was happy for winning the 50/50 last week. He received a call from a friend in Bangor who saw his picture posted on our FB page. DGN Peggy Belanger had a happy dollar for the club and all that we do – Yay! Tina had thank you dollars to members who came to help the Interact Club bake for the bake sale at the Christmas for Teens concert. The Interact Club raised \$472.00 and the total amount raised through the concert was over \$4,000.00. Becky and Peter went to a couple of functions this past week and both times, Becky won the door prize. Dan Hart had thank you letters for the dictionaries from the 3rd graders at Rowe School. A Bob Schott fun fact – speaking of the cold meeting room, Bob told us that the average sitting person gives off 410 btus which has, no doubt, helped raise the temperature of the room. Bob was also happy for his and Lynne’s son who is leaving soon for a 21 day raft trip through the Grand Canyon. Patty was happy for the thank you letters from the kids at Rowe, and she had a sad dollar for Mary Lou.

50/50 – Becky drew Beth Abbott’s number but Becky drew the Joker. Thanks to Ron’s winning last week, there was only \$13.00 in the pot.

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

December Anniversaries – Ron & Laura Morse – 12/20/58 – their 60th Anniversary!

December Membership Anniversaries – None reported

December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

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

~ Michael J. Fox ~

Wacky Weather

The largest reported snowflake measured 15 inches wide and 8 inches thick. It was discovered by a ranch owner in Fort Keogh, Montana, in 1887.

Fun Fact:

Speaking of Rudolph, did you know that his real name was Jimmy? He preferred to be called Rudolph, but when the other reindeer found out his name was Jimmy, they used to laugh and call him James.

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