# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



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

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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."

#### 2022-2023 Officers:

Rotary International President: Jennifer Jones, Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Windsor, Ontario, Canada -District 7780 Governor: Claudia Frost, Rotary Club of Brunswick – Oxford Hills Rotary President – George Rice – President-Elect: Beth Abbott – Vice-president: Vacant - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Club Service Chair: Paul Thornfeldt – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Peter Kaurup - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

#### Home Club of PDG George Rice

**Welcome and Good Morning!** Today is the 362nd day of 2022. There are 3 days remaining in the year. Liz Knox is program chair this morning and Dan Hart is our greeter. There is also a Charitable Fund board meeting after our regular meeting.

# HAPPY NEW YEAR 2023

**Calendar:** The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter. Please let Reader editor John Griffith John 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 paraphernalia.

#### January:

2 – Board Meeting at South Paris town office, 5:30 PM

<u>4 – Vocational Service Speaker</u> and John Griffith

<u>11 – January Studens of the Month and Tally Decato</u>

18 – Vocational Service Speaker and Curtis Cole

25 – Vocational Service Speaker and Connor Burnan=m

### Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Bonnie Gould from the Ossipee Valley Rotary in Ossipee, NH, was our only visiting Rotarian. Sharon Huntley was the guest of Glenn Huntley; Terry Cole was the guest of Curtis Cole; Ann Marie Brett was the guest of Stan Brett; Ryan Lorrain was the guest of Leanna Bowie.

#### **Rotary Moment:**

Greeter Glenn Huntley told us that before Paul Harris buckled down, he was kicked out of school for his behaviour and studies. It wasn't until he got a little older that he decided he needed to make something of himself so he finished high school and went on to law school, and of course, established the first Rotary Club in Chicago.

#### Announcements:

Liz updated us on the status of our cheese wheel sales. There are 72 remaining. President George told us that they would be moved from the storage trailer to a cool room in his cellar so that they don't freeze. If anyone needs a wheel, you will need to contact George or Patty.

Don't forget to send George our monthly volunteer hours to him or to write them in the book. It is important that we continue to do this.

#### Last Week:

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

Dave Preble was absent last week, so George gave him his 7-year perfect attendance award. Seems a bit incongruent that Dave received a perfect attendance award after being absent the week before, but there are other ways to maintain perfect attendance without attending every weekly meeting.

After our opening exercises and announcements, we went upstairs to listen to the OHCHS Chorale, directed by Dennis Boyd. While there were fewer students in the chorale this year, they sounded terrific and put on a very enjoyable Christmas music concert.

# 🔞 Happy and Sad Dollars 🕲

**Patty** was happy for the students coming to sing to us this morning.

**John** had \$25 happy dollars for finally getting the power turned on after 2 ½ days, and for having a generator to keep everything running in the meantime. He said this was the longest the power had been out since having the generator installed almost 10 years ago. It also felt like the dark ages without cable TV and the internet.

**Bonnie Gould** was happy she decided to come to hear the kids sing.

**Bob** was happy that he had the chance to go skiing at Sugarloaf.

**Dan A.** had happy dollars for Dennis and the chorale.

**Dennis Boyd** told us he was happy to have finished his Master's degree work! Congratulations to Dennis!

# 50/50 – Patty drew Leanna's number but Leanna didn't draw the King of Clubs. There was \$32 in the pot.

# Pun for the Week:

I really messed up the other day. My wife asked me to pick up 6 cans of Sprite at the grocery store. When I got home, I realized I picked 7-UP.

# December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month:

#### HOW ROTARY MAKES HELP HAPPEN

We educate and equip communities to stop the spread of life-threatening diseases. Rotary members have hundreds of health projects underway around the world at any given time.

# **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

**December Birthdays** – Curtis Cole – 12/6

December Anniversaries – Ron & Laura Morse – 12/20

December Membership Anniversaries – Phyllis Summers – 2 yrs. – 12/30

# Make-Ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Grace Note Inn, Bethel www.bethelrotary.org
Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Stella's on the Square, 6 North High 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, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org
Interact – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School