

# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



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

**Wednesday, December 6, 2023**

**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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## **2023-2024 Officers:**

Rotary International President: R. Gordon R. McNally, Rotary Club of South Queensbury, Scotland - District 7780 Governor: Marion Cheney, Rotary Club of Dover, NH – Oxford Hills Rotary President – Beth Abbott – President-Elect: Dan Allen – Vice-president: Jeff Noblin - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past President: George Rice – Club Service Chair: Vacant – Vocational Service Chair: Jeff Noblin - Community Service Chair: Vacant - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

## **Home Club of PDG George Rice**

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**Good Morning and Welcome!** Today is the 340th day of 2023. There are 25 days remaining in the year. This morning we will be having our Yankee Gift Swap. Our greeter is Warren Spencer.

Please let John know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. You can text or call John at 207-461-7158 or e-mail 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 paraphernalia.

## **December:**

**13 – November and December Students of the Month** and **Bob Schott**  
**20 – OHCHS Christmas Chorale** and **Lynne Schott**  
**27 – Connor Burnam** and **Patty Rice**

## **January:**

**2 – Board Meeting at South Paris town office, 5:00 PM**  
**3 – Vocational Service Speaker** and **George Rice**  
**10 – Students of the Month** and **Dave Preble**  
**17 – Vocational Service Speaker** and **Jeff Noblin**  
**24 – Vocational Service Speaker** and **Ron Morse**  
**31 – Vocational Service Speaker** and **David Knox**

## **Announcements:**

**John Griffith** – The Dictionary Project is finished for this year. Val and David Knox handed out dictionaries to the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at Harrison Elementary last Monday and John and Curtis handed them out to the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at Paris Elementary last Wednesday. Thanks to all who helped make this project a continuing success.

**Don't forget to bring a gift to our meeting on Wednesday for our Yankee Gift Swap!**

## **Last Week:**

As I wasn't in attendance and no notes were taken, I assume that President Beth led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. I don't know who gave the blessing or whether PE Dan Alan was there to lead us in song.

PE Dan led a discussion on why we joined Rotary and why we stayed as members.

**50-50: President Beth reported that Warren Spencer drew his own number and then drew the King of Clubs, winning the pot of \$51.00.**

## **😊 Happy and Sad Dollars 😊**

I don't have a listing so if anyone wants their happy dollars from last week in the next Reader, please let me know and I will include them.

## **Pun for the Week:**

There's a trend on social media where you hide a breath mint under your tie clip and use it right before a good night kiss. It's the TikTok tie tack Tic Tac tactic.

## **December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month:**

Disease results in misery, pain, and poverty for millions of people worldwide. That's why treating and preventing disease is so important to us. We lead efforts both large and small. We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together.

Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care.

### ***Birthdays and Anniversaries:***

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

**December Anniversaries:** Ron & Laura Morse – 65 yrs. – 12/20

**December Membership Anniversaries:** Phyllis Summers – 3 yrs. – 12/30

### **Make-Ups:**

**Bethel** – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Grace Note Inn, Bethel

[www.bethelrotary.org](http://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](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 during the school year only.