



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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."

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 342nd day of 2021. There are 23 days remaining in the year. The December Students of the Month are our guests this morning. Curtis Cole 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:

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

22 – Classification Talk and Beth Abbott

22 – Charitable Foundation Quarterly Meeting – 9:00 AM after our regular morning meeting.

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

January:

3 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town office, 5:30 PM.

5 – Vocational Service Speakers and Paul Thornfeldt

12 – Students of the Month and Warren Spencer

19 – Evening Meeting and Lynne Schott

26 – Vocational Service Speakers and Bob Schott

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

The OHCHS Chorale and their conductor, Dennis Boyd, were our guests. There were no visiting Rotarians.

Announcements:

Interact Advisor Tina Fox announced that the Interact Club's Christmas parade float won first prize in its class. Congratulations and a job well done. Tina also thanked all the Interactors and OH Rotary Club members who helped put it together.

Paul Thornfeldt – we have sold all 600 cheese wheels. There is still a bit of money to come in but we should have a bottom-line next week.

Patty Rice told us that she sent cheese wheels to Jim Lilley and Dennis King in New Jersey and to Frank Shorey in Florida – and thanked them for their support.

A Reminder – don't forget that we will be having a Yankee Swap at our evening meeting on December 15, which is next week. 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 you 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.

For our program, we had a wonderful Christmas concert by the OHCHS Chorale, directed by Dennis Boyd. Dennis said that this was their first concert of the year and the first in-person concert they have done since March of 2020 due to the pandemic. He said that normally, we are the last concert they present before Christmas vacation, so this was a switch for them. At the conclusion of the concert, President Peter presented Dennis with a check for \$200 to help with their expenses.

😊 Happy and Sad Dollars

Beth Abbott told us that her grandson, Bentley, won one of the trees at the Festival of Trees – and it was the one that he really had his eye on. Congratulations Bentley!

Warren Spencer said he and his wife, Susan, had a great cruise among the Greek Islands but it wasn't worth the time and trouble during Covid. He said that they could not land on some of the islands and were tested for Covid 8 times.

50/50 – There was \$135 in the pot. Tally drew Stan's number, but Stan drew the 8 of diamonds.

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

Pun of the Week:

Have you heard about the new cooking show starring Ephemeral Lagasse? It probably won't last long.
The chef is just a flash in the pan.

Quote for the Week:

“All progress is based upon a universal innate desire on the part of every organism to live beyond its income.”

~ Samuel Butler ~
1835-1902

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