



Rotary

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."

2019-2020 Officers:

Rotary International President: Mark D. Maloney, Rotary Club of Decatur, Alabama - District 7780 Governor: Andrew Glazier, Rotary Club of Kittery – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Pat Cook – Pres. Elect: Lynne Schott – Vice-pres.: to be determined – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: George Rice – Club Service Chair: Chris Weston – 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 and AG Chris Summers

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 29th day of 2020. There are 337 days remaining in the year. Our program chair is Joel Speakman. Joel and Dan Hart will be presenting a vocational service program. We will also have a guest speaker, John Huffman, President of the Oxford Hills SCORE chapter. Our greeter is yours truly, John Griffith.

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

February

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

5 – Club Assembly and Tina Fox

12 – February Students of the Month and Abbie Earle

19 – Chris Summers and Tally Decato. **Note, this WILL be an evening meeting at Daddy O's after a two month hiatus.**

20 – Progress Center Community Dinner in Norway, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

20 – World Understanding and Peace Dinner at Sable Oaks in South Portland, 5:30 PM – 9:00 PM.

26 – John Griffith and Curtis Cole. Our guest speaker will be the new president of Stephens Memorial Hospital, Andrea Patstone.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: There were no visiting Rotarians but we had several guests. Unfortunately, I did not get the sign-in sheet and do not remember the guests' names.

Rotary Moment: Greeter Dan Hart talked about Vocational Service. Of the 5 things that Becky mentioned in her Rotary Moment last week, he especially liked the idea of hosting a club meeting at your place of business and being a resource and mentor to others.

Announcements:

To post for the second time so that we can vote on club officers for next year at our February 5th meeting, AG Chris Summers and Peter Kaurup have agreed to be co-presidents for the 2021-2022 Rotary year. They will serve as co-Vice-presidents until July, and then will be co-President-elects during 2020-2021.

They will be included in the roster of Club Officers that we will be voting on at our Club Assembly meeting on February 5th. That roster has been previously posted in the Reader for two weeks.

AG Chris – the Special Olympics Dance is going to be held on March 14 at the South Paris Legion Hall. Dennis Boyd will be the DJ again this year. Tickets available for sale shortly.

Dave Preble – still need a location and date for the Cornhole Tournament. Was originally thinking of March 14 but that is the date of the Special Olympics dance, so now thinking of April or May and having it outside.

Ron Morse's phone number is 860-627-4086 and his address is Ron Morse, Suffield House, Rm 205, 1 Canal Rd., Suffield, CT 06078. Cards and calls are always appreciated.

Last Week:

PE Lynne led us in the Pledge, 4 Way test and the Rotary prayer. Dan Allen led us in singing "Home on the Range." He explained the tradition of singing to our guests and then said we once had a new member who left the club shortly after joining because she didn't like the singing. Without Dan to lead us, we all might feel the same way!!

Tina Fox substituted for Program Chair, Jen Sherbinski, and introduced our guest speakers. In honor of Vocational Service Month, we asked four local business owners and Oxford Hills' graduates to share the story of their business and how they came to stay in the Oxford Hills area: Sheldon Rice and his son, Dalton, from Rice Tree Service; Ryan Richie from 290 Main Street; Jarek Mains from Mains Earthwork & Construction LLC; Jasmine Colby from the Maine Room.

Each speaker gave a brief biography of themselves and their businesses. There were several common themes – be passionate about what you do, commit to the time necessary to be successful, don't be afraid to take a chance, become part of the community, outreach – show the community you love them and

they will love you back, and as a business owner, there is a lot of hard work involved and that one is definitely “married” to it. It was nice to have our guests with us and we thought it was a great meeting.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊

Dan A. had happy dollars for his cousin, Sheldon Rice and his 1st cousin once removed, Dalton Rice. Today was also his birthday and he was grateful for starting his 72nd year on the planet.

Tina was happy for our guests being with us and also that it was her daughter, Lindsay’s, birthday.

Patty had a happy dollar for her mother’s 85th birthday party last Sunday. Everyone had a great time. She and George also learned that Jimmy Buffet will be performing in August in Boston, so plans are under way.

Bob was happy for the incredible ski conditions of late – and that he is still trying to catch up with Joel.

Dave said he had word from Frank Shorey that Frank would give two tickets to a Ray’s spring exhibition game to the winner of the contest. However, I did not catch all that Dave said and when I texted him to ask, he said he didn’t remember either. I also sent a text to Frank but have not heard back from him as yet.

50/50 – Glenn drew Liz’s number but Liz did not draw the King of Clubs. There was \$206 in the pot.

January Birthdays – Stan Brett – 1/3; Heidi Ortiz – 1/9; Heather (Joel) Speakman – 1/9; Dan Allen – 1/22.

January Wedding Anniversaries – Liz and David Knox – 1/22

January Membership Anniversaries – Dan Hart – 36 yrs. – 1/1; Dave Preble – 37 yrs. – 1/1; Stan Brett – 26 yrs. – 1/4; Paul Thornfeldt – 28 yrs. – 1/8

Thought for the Week:

“To become a master at any skill, it takes the total effort of your heart, mind and soul working together in tandem.”

~ Maurice Young ~

Pun of the Week

I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.

Remember the 4-Way Test:

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

