



Rotary

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
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Wednesday, January 8, 2025

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.”

2024-2025 Officers:

Rotary International President: Stephanie A. Urchick, Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania - District 7780
Governor: Robert McKenzie, Rotary Club of Kennebunk, ME – Oxford Hills Rotary President – Dan Allen –
President-Elect: Jeff Noblin – Vice-president: Connor Burnam - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt.
At Arms: Stan Brett – Past President: Beth Abbott – Club Service Chair: Bob Schott – Vocational Service Chair: Jeff
Noblin - 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 8th day of 2025. There are 347 days remaining in the year. This morning, we have the December and January Students of the Month and their guests with us. Bob Schott is our greeter.

Program Chairs: 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. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club paraphernalia.

Calendar for January:

15 – Club Assembly and Patty Rice

22 – Lynne Schott and George Rice

29 - For Vocational Service Month, PE Jeff has arranged for Chelsea Lathrop, Education and Outreach Coordinator with the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (Information & Education Division) to come and speak to us. Dave Preble is our greeter.

Calendar for February:

3 – Board Meeting at the South Paris Town Office, 5:00 PM.

5 – Club Assembly and Jeff Noblin

12 – Students of the Month and Ron Morse

19 – Warren Spencer and Liz Knox

26 – Val Weston and Dave Knox

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

We did not have any visiting Rotarians at our last meeting. Past Rotarian Glenn Huntley, Ann Marie Brett, Debbie Buffington and Terry Cole were our guests for the OHCHS Chorale Christmas concert.

Rotary Moment:

We did not have a Rotary Moment.

Last Meeting, December 18:

President Dan – led us in the pledge, the 4-Way Test and the Invocation. The only announcement was that we will not be meeting again until January 8th as Christmas and New Year fall on our meeting days this year. Dan also said that “if we want the club to grow in the coming year, it is up to all of us.” We then all went upstairs for a wonderful Christmas concert by the OHCHS Chorale, after which we enjoyed breakfast together.

Puns for the Week:

“I’m a terrible electrician. People are always shocked when they find out.”

And

“People don’t believe me when I tell them I climbed Mt. Everest. But it’s true. I made it up.”

50/50 – Terry Cole drew George Rice’s number, but George did not get his Christmas bonus. There was \$344.00 in the pot.

January is Vocational Service Month

Rotarians are men and women of many vocations who use those vocations to serve Rotary and support its many programs.

Happy and Sad Dollars

President Dan was happy to thank Dennis and the chorus for joining us this morning. Dan said he knows Dennis from long ago.

Stan had happy dollars for being happy!

Lynne was happy to be with us this morning and to see the kids.

Tina was also happy for the singing.

Patty told us that today was 16 years to the day that she joined the Breast Cancer Society.

Conner was happy to see Glenn and *Glenn* said he was happy to be back and grateful for the chorus.

Bob was sad that there were no downhill skiers in the Chorale. Several did say that they did Cross Country.

Birthdays and Anniversaries:

January Birthdays: Stan Brett – 1/3; Dan Allen – 1/22

January Anniversaries: David & Liz Knox – 1/22

January Membership Anniversaries: Dave Preble – 43 yrs. – 1/1; Warren Spencer 42 yrs. – 1/1; Stan Brett – 31 yrs. – 1/4

Make-Ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Grace Note Inn, Bethel
www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at Bridgton Alliance Church, 368 Harrison Rd., 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 during the school year only.

**And for those who like to keep track of
things – there are 355 Days to Christmas
2025!**