

Rotary



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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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."

2018-2019 Officers:

Rotary International President: Barry Rassin - District 7780 Governor: John LoBosco – Oxford Hills Rotary President: George Rice – Pres. Elect: Pat Cook – Vice-pres.: Lynne Schott – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Chris Weston – Club Service Chair: Chris Summers – Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of President and PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 9th day of 2019. There are 356 days remaining in the year. This morning, we have the January Students of the Month and their guests with us. Our greeter is Becky Kaurup.

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.

1/16/19 – Club Assembly and Dan Hart

1/17/19 – Progress Center Community Dinner – 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. Tally Decato and Robert Hotte have volunteered this month.

1/23/19 – Bob Schott and John Griffith

1/30/19 – No morning meeting!

2/2/19 – Annual Dinner and ROTY Presentation, Oxford Casino, 5:30 PM

2/6/19 – Club Assembly and Tina Fox

2/13/19 – Students of the Month and Abigail Earle

2/20/19 – Joel Speakman and Tally Decato

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: We did not have any visiting Rotarians. Heidi Ortiz was the guest of Abbie Earle and Marianne Todd was the guest of Curtis Cole.

Rotary Moment – Greeter Peter Kaurup talked about an article in the latest Rotarian magazine about the Rotary Foundation. Charity Navigator rates charitable organizations and Rotary has a 97.5% rating meaning that 97.5% of the money donated to the Foundation is actually used for charitable purposes.

Membership Moment – Committee Chair Tally Decato reminded us that it is important for us to be sure and welcome guests and new members at every meeting.

Proposed Members – Heidi Ortiz has been proposed for membership by Abbie Earle. Heidi is an Accounting Specialist at Norway Savings Bank. Marianne Todd has been proposed by Curtis Cole. Marianne is a Personal Lines Insurance agent at W.J. Wheeler.

Announcements:

Treasurer Patty Rice told us that we have received \$790.00 to date for the Dictionary Project in memory of Mary Lou Burns, which is enough to cover the cost of the project next fall.

Cornhole Tournament chair Dave Preble has set Saturday, March 2nd as the date for Crazy for Cornhole at Rowe Elementary School from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Cost will be \$10 per person or \$20 for a team. Dave is looking for equipment and has been researching on line how to set up and run a tournament. Funds raised will go to our Senior citizen projects.

Protection Officer Dan Hart gave an update that everyone has been through training. Dan will be putting a list of members together to ensure that we all have background checks through Essex every three years. Dan also said that the Walking School Bus would like to come and speak to us again this year if anyone is in need of a program.

Ron Morse – we still have 17 cheese wheels left to sell so please keep in mind.

John Griffith – Reading the Maine Sunday Telegram this week, John found that Bethel Rotarian, W.K. Read Dickinson, passed away in Freeport on December 4th. I will bring a his obituary to our meeting on Wednesday but I am sure you can find it online as well.

Last Week:

President George led us in the Pledge and the 4 Way Test. Still no song leader (Where are you, Dan?), Bob Schott led us in singing Jingle Bells but have to say we weren't very "jingly". Curtis Cole gave the blessing.

Program Chair Lynne Schott introduced her husband, Bob, who presented a very interesting program on solar energy, particularly solar panels – their installation, use and energy saving.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊 – Glenn announced that he and Sharon will be leaving for Florida on January 10th. Lynne was happy to have Bob as her program but is not sure what he will do for a program when he comes up for program chair in three weeks! John had happy dollars for Dan Hart, Dave Preble, Stan Brett and Paul Thornfeldt for their years of service to Rotary.

50/50 – Val drew Peter Kaurup's number but Peter drew the 7 of Clubs. There was \$48 in the pot.

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

January Anniversaries – Liz and David Knox – 1/22

January Membership Anniversaries – Dan Hart – 35 yrs. – 1/1; Dave Preble – 36 yrs. – 1/1; Stan Brett – 25 yrs. – 1/4; Paul Thornfeldt – 27 yrs. – 1/8; Peter Kaurup – 1 yr. – 1/24

January is Vocational Service Month

“Never become such an expert that you stop gaining expertise. View life as a continuous learning experience.”

~ Denis Waitley ~

Thought for the Week

“Reflect upon your present blessings, of which every man has many, not your past misfortunes, of which all men have some.”

~ Charles Dickens ~

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

