

# 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."

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## 2017-2018 Officers:

Rotary International President: Ian Risely - District 7780 Governor: David Underhill – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Chris Weston – Pres. Elect: George Rice – Vice-pres.: Pat Cook – Treas.: Louise Campbell – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Joel Speakman – 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 PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

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**Good Morning and Welcome:** Today is the 38th day of 2018. There are 327 days remaining in the year. We are having our regular monthly club assembly this morning. Ron Morse 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](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's paraphernalia.

**2/7 – Special Olympics Dance committee meeting at the X-Vault, 5:30 PM**

**2/14 – February Students of the Month and Dan Hart**

**2/15 – Help at Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM**

**2/15 – Membership Committee meeting at the X-Vault, 5:30 PM**

**2/21 – AG Chris Summers and John Griffith**

**2/28 – Joel Speakman and Susan Graves**

**3/5 – March board meeting at Joel's office, 5:30 PM**

**3/7 – Club Assembly and Tina Fox**

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** Christopher Paradis from the Auburn-Lewiston club was our guest speaker and visiting Rotarian. Michelle Hawley, CMCC, was our only guest as well as guest speaker.

**Rotary Moment:** Greeter Dave Preble shared RI President Ian Riseley's message in the February issue of the Rotarian magazine. In summary, one hundred thirteen years ago this month, the four members of Rotary's first club held their first meeting. Since that meeting, Rotary has become far larger and more diverse than those founding members could have conceived. We have gone from an organization that was all white and all male to one that welcomes women and men of every possible background. We do not know what lies ahead for Rotary. It remains for all of us to continue to build on the solid foundations that were laid for us by Paul Harris.

## Last Week:

In the absence of our song leader, Dan Allen, we sang “Happy Birthday” to Shelley Griffith. We sorely missed Dan’s leadership!

President Chris gave out perfect attendance awards to George and Patty Rice for 24 years and 25 years respectively. Congratulations to the Rotary couple!

George Rice introduced our speakers, Christopher Paradis and Michelle Hawley, from Central Maine Community College in Auburn. Christopher and Michelle talked to us about the evolution of CMCC from a technical school to a community college. Degree programs include precision machining, building construction, electrical engineering, early child care, culinary arts, food and restaurant management among many others. CMCC also offers on-line courses in medical coding and criminal justice. There are currently 3,000 students attending of which 250 live in campus housing. They have an award winning women’s basketball team and a great hockey team that plays at the Norway Savings Bank arena.

CMCC also offers on location customized training. With training grants availability, they will come to your location which is completely free if your business is expanding and hiring new personnel. Community Concepts, Roopers, Grover Gun Drilling and International Paper are just a few of the businesses that have taken advantage of these programs.

😊 **Happy Dollars** 😊 - **Lynne** was happy to spend the weekend with her granddaughter who is now skiing and happy that her nephew’s son was named after her father. **Linda** thanked everyone who purchased a “Horses Across Maine” calendar and was happy to announce that they sold way more calendars than they expected.

**50/50** – Val drew Miranda’s number. Unfortunately, Miranda drew the Queen of Clubs. Some members then suggested that the Queen of Clubs should be equal to the King of Clubs because Rotary is the King and Queen of Clubs.

**February Birthdays** – Shelley (John) Griffith – 2/4; Pat Cook – 2/13; Ron Morse – 2/24

**February Anniversaries** – None Listed

**February Membership Anniversaries:** Pat Cook – 18 yrs. – 2/2; George Campbell – 1 yr. – 2/22; Louise Firth-Campbell – 1 yr. – 2/22

### **Fun Fact:**

Since the release of the movie "Groundhog Day" in 1993, crowds of up to 30,000 have visited Gobbler's Knob in Pennsylvania each year on February 2 to see whether Punxsutawney Phil observes his shadow.

### **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 BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

### **Make-ups:**

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

[www.bethelrotary.org](http://www.bethelrotary.org)

**Bridgton-Lake Region** – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Community Center, 15 Depot 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

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