

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

Welcome to our 35th Anniversary Dinner!

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.

1/30/19 – No morning meeting!

1/30/19 – Membership Committee meeting at Dan Hart's office at Rowe Elementary School, 9:00 AM

1/30/19 – Fireside Chat for Heidi Ortiz and Marianne Todd at Joel Speakman's office, 5:00 PM

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

2/4/19 – Board Meeting, Deering Memorial Community Center, South Paris, 5:30 PM – 6:30 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

2/21/19 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. George Rice and Pat Cook have volunteered to help serve.

2/27/19 – Chris Summers and Pat Cook

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: We did not have any visiting Rotarians again this week. Heidi Ortiz was the guest of Abigail Earle.

Rotary Moment – Greeter Dan Hart told us about an article in the Rotarian magazine about the effort to educate people about the dangers of pollution and the effort to reduce the use of plastic to protect the environment. It is a good read, so be sure to seek it out.

Membership Minute – Tally Decato told us the committee has coupons available for us to hand out to friends and prospective members for a free breakfast. Be sure to take some and make an effort to invite a friend to Rotary.

Announcements:

President George – We received a thank-you letter from Christmas for Teens for the pillow cases.

Final plans have been made for the Annual Dinner on February 2nd. If you have not made your reservations, please do so. Cost is \$35.00 per person. The Casino has bent over backwards to help us with this event.

Please keep DG John LoBosco in mind as he undergoes heart surgery next week. John caught a virus that went to his blood stream and settled in his heart. In order to clear the virus, he must have open heart surgery to replace a valve where the virus settled.

George also announced that Abbie Earle has agreed to serve as Community Service Chair for the 2019-2020 Rotary year. Congratulations Abbie!

Tally Decato – There will be a Fireside Chat with Heidi Otiz and Marianne Todd at Joel Speakman's office on Wednesday, January 30th, at 5:00 PM.

Chris Weston – please take note of the banner hanging up front recognizing the club's success in achieving EREY – Every Rotarian Every Year – Remember to contribute to the cups each week as that is how we achieve the goal. \$2.00 per week per member gets us there.

Patty Rice – for the first time in a long time, we have received information from all of our scholarship recipients and all seven have received their scholarships. In addition, we also sent out the scholarship for the recipient from last year who requested a one year delay, so all of our scholarships have been disbursed.

Dan Hart suggested that we invite the recipients to a meeting this summer to tell us about their school experience and what they are doing. It would be nice to follow up with them.

Also, there will be a **membership committee meeting on Wednesday, January 30 at 9:00 AM** in Dan's office at Rowe School to discuss new member induction and orientation. In the event that there is no school due to the weather, the meeting will be at 3:00 PM instead of 9:00 AM, followed by a **Fireside Chat with Heidi Ortiz and Marianne Todd at 5:00 PM at Joel Speakman's office.**

Last Week:

President George led us in the Pledge and the 4 Way Test. No song again this week. Curtis Cole gave the blessing.

Bob Schott was program chair and distributed an updated Committee Structure list for discussion. During that discussion, however, we moved on to talking about membership, how we induct and educate new members about Rotary and the information we provide them.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊 – Ron had a call from Paul Thornfeldt. Paul sent his greetings and said he was sorry to miss the 35th Anniversary Dinner. He said the he and Dawne were well and enjoying their winter in Florida. John had a happy dollar for Glenn and Sharon who also successfully made it to Florida. Bob was happy to tell us that there are a lot of solar bills in the legislature with the change of administration in state government.

50/50: I did not catch who drew the winning ticket, but Peter Kaurup's number came up for the second week in a row. This time, Peter wasn't as lucky and didn't draw the gold ball from the bag.

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

February Anniversaries – None

February Membership Anniversaries – Pat Cook – 19 yrs. – 2/2

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention / Resolution Month

“It isn't enough to talk about peace, one must believe in it. And it isn't enough to believe in it, one must work for it. ”

~ Eleanor Roosevelt ~

Thought for the Week:

“Children need models rather than critics.”

~ Joseph Joubert ~
French Moralist (1754-1824)

Remember the 4 Way Test:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOOD WILL 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

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