



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 – Co Vice-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers - 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 57th day of 2020. There are 309 days remaining in the year. John Griffith is program chair this morning. His guest speaker is Andrea Patstone, the new president of Stephens Memorial Hospital. Curtis Cole is our 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. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia

March:

2 – Board Meeting at 5:30PM at South Paris Town Office

2 – Annual Dinner and Rotarian of the Year presentation at Honey Badger in Oxford

4 – Club Assembly and Dan Allen

5-7 – NEPETS, Sheraton Framingham Hotel & Conference Center

11 – March Students of the Month and Beth Abbott

14 – Ray Brown Memorial Special Olympics Dance

18 – Miranda Ward and Val Weston – Evening meeting at Daddy O's in Oxford, 5:30 PM.

19 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30PM – 6:00PM

25 – Chris Weston and Chris Weston

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: There were no visiting Rotarians. Dave Knox was the guest of Liz Knox.

Announcements:

AG Chris S. – posters and tickets are available for the Special Olympics Dance which is coming up on March 14. See Chris to get them.

Tally – announced that April will be designated as Club Membership Month.

Tina – announced that she would be making arrangements to have an annual dinner after the March 2nd board meeting at Honey Badger in Oxford. The cost will be \$20 per person with a cash bar. The Rotarian of the Year award will be presented at that time.

Patty – announced that 3 membership proposals were approved by the board last week (correction, there were 6). Secretary John has notified the members that their proposals have been accepted so that they may move on to Part “B” in the application process. She also said that there were more names submitted tonight but that no immediate board action was taking place. (These proposals will be taken up by the board at our next meeting on Monday, March 2nd)

Last Week:

PE Lynne led us in the Pledge, 4 Way test and Rotary prayer. We did not have a song leader, so no song tonight.

PE Lynne presented perfect attendance awards to Dan Hart for 1 year; Stan Brett for 24 years; George Rice for 26 years; Patty Rice for 27 years. Congratulations!

Club Protection Officer, Dan Hart, had us review areas of club protection, including: volunteers and the responsibility of the CPO to review background checks as well as hear allegations of sexual wrong doing against potential and current members. The issue has become more important due to recent court case precedents removing all statute of limitations as a result of action against the Catholic church in recent years. This has put RI and their liability insurer under additional pressure to more fully vet all members especially regarding any potential for sexual abuse, harassment and past criminal record.

Happy Dollars 😊

Liz was happy that she and Dave recently purchased some land in Virginia.

Bob had a happy dollar for skiing going well this week, it being February school vacation. The slopes have been busy, including lessons given to kids and their families from Camp Sunshine.

50/50 – There was \$253 in the pot but Tina was only able to draw the Jack of Hearts.

March Birthdays – Val Weston – 3/11; Tina Fox – 3/13; Laura (Ron) Morse – 3/18; John Griffith – 3/21; David (Liz) Knox – 3/24; Chris Weston – 3/25; Ann Marie (Stan) Brett – 3/31

March Wedding Anniversaries – None listed

March Membership Anniversaries – Ron Morse – 34 yrs. – 3/1; Dan Allen – 36 yrs. – 3/7; Bob Schott – 24 yrs. – 3/27

February is Rotary's Peace and Conflict Prevention Month

"It is easier to interest men in war than in peace; it therefore requires more moral courage to talk peace than war."

~ Paul P. Harris ~

Thought for the Week

"It is a very sad thing that nowadays there is so little useless information."

~ Oscar Wilde ~
1854-1900

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

