

# Rotary



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

Wednesday, March 2, 2016

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills

PO Box 14

Norway, ME 04268

Rotary Theme for 2015-2016:

**"Be a gift to the world"**

**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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### 2015-2016 Officers:

Rotary International President: K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran – District 7780 Governor: Sheila Rollins – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Chris Summers – Pres. Elect: Joel Speakman – Vice-pres.: Chris Weston – Treas.: Pat Cook – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Christina Twitchell – Club Service Chair: Ron Morse – Vocational Service Chair: Community Service Chair: Dan Allen; Phil Libby – International Service Chair: Dave Preble – Youth Service Chair: Kim Preble

**Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Beth Abbott**

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**Welcome!** Today is the 62nd day of 2016. There are 304 days remaining in the year. Our program this morning is the March Students of the Month. Kim Preble is greeter.

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**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 207-743-6129 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.

**3/5 – Bethel Rotary 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine and Beer Tasting Event, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Sunday River Inn, Newry**

**3/9 – Deb Harris and Dave Preble**

**3/13 – Bethel Rotary – "A Country Breakfast" – 7:30 AM – 11:00 AM, Ordway Hall, Gould Academy, Church St., Bethel**

**3/16 – Membership Assembly and Ron Morse**

**3/16 – St. Patrick's Day Senior Luncheon, Progress Center, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**

**3/19 – RLI, York County Community College, 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM.**

**3/23 – George Rice and Glenn Huntley**

**3/26 – Interact New Generations Conference, Thornton Academy, Saco, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**3/30 – Evening Social Meeting at Maurice's and Susan Graves**

**4/2 – Ray Brown Memorial Special Olympics Dance**

**4/6 – April Students of the Month and Tally Decato**

### **Last Week:**

Sorry about the confusion over whether there was a meeting or not. The last word from President Chris was that if there was no school due to the weather, we would not have a meeting, and there was no school last Wednesday. I have updated the calendar, Thought for the Week and the birthday/anniversary list but the rest of the Reader is essentially the same as what was sent out last week.

### Thought for the Week:

“You can’t deny laughter. When it comes, it plops you down in your favorite chair and stays as long as it wants.”

~Stephen King~

**Rotary Moment** – Patty read a passage from Past RI President Cliff Dochterman’s book, *“As I was Saying”* concerning the family of Rotary; that we can do a lot of good by joining Rotary, but that it is also a way to establish life long friendships.

### **Announcements:**

**President Chris** attended a planning meeting with Kiwanis for the Special Olympics Dance which will be held on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Things are on track.

**Miranda** is working on the St. Patrick’s Day luncheon which will be on Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. A flyer announcement has been placed on our FB page; Patty Rice has agreed to be the contact for reservations but has not yet had any calls. More flyers will be available for circulation next week. Kim will see about getting notices in the Advertiser and Sun Journal.

**Dennis Smith** of Norway was inducted as our newest member. Congratulations and welcome, Dennis! We are very happy that you have decided to join the King of Clubs!

Dave and Miranda presented a membership program. We worked at our tables, making lists of local businesses and a contacts that we might approach about joining us. We talked about why we joined Rotary, why we have stayed and other points such as projects, global efforts, the cost of membership, time commitment and comraderie – things to talk about when we are talking to others about joining. We all thought this was very worthwhile meeting and decided to have monthly membership meetings for the remainder of this Rotary year.

😊 **Happy Dollars** 😊 - **Dan** was happy to be meeting his sons in Memphis, Tennessee over the weekend. It is the first time in quite some time that they have been together. **Kim** was happy that swimming was over and happy that her team won the Sportsmanship Banner in the finals. **Dennis** was happy to become a member of the club. **John** had an announcement dollar that he talked with former member George Rubly and found out that he and Jean have sold their business and house and are moving to Westport Island which is on the coast by Wiscasset.

**50/50** – Glenn drew Miranda’s number but she didn’t draw the King of Clubs.

**March Birthdays:** Kim Preble – 3/6; Val Weston – 3/11; Laura (Ron) Morse – 3/18; John Griffith – 3/21; Jack Sours – 3/23; Herb (Lois) Strauss – 3/27; Ann Marie (Stan) Brett – 3/31

**March Wedding Anniversaries:** There were none listed.

**March Membership Anniversaries:** Dan Allen – 32 yrs. – 3/7; Kim Preble – 1 yr. – 3/11;  
Bob Schott – 20 yrs. – 3/27

**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 Bridgton Alliance Church, Harrison Rd., 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, 2:30 PM, Room A200, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School

**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?



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