

Rotary



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills

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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."

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: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Dan Allen - International Service Chair: Dave Preble – Youth Service Chair: Kim Preble

Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Beth Abbott

Welcome! Today is the 90th day of 2016. There are 276 days remaining in the year. This is our 3rd Evening Social Meeting of this Rotary year. Susan Graves is 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 207-743-6129 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.

4/2 – District Assembly, USM, Portland

4/2 – Ray Brown Memorial Special Olympics Dance

4/4 – Board Meeting at TD Bank in Oxford, 5:30 PM

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

4/13 – George Rice and Pat Cook

4/20 – Membership Assembly and Curtis Cole

4/27 – Lynne Schott and Mary Lou Burns

5/2 – Board Meeting at TD Bank in Oxford, 5:30 PM

5/4 – May Students of the Month and Anderson-Staples Post members

Guests and Visiting Rotarians: Cathy Sullivan and Emma Bodwell from Bridgton-Lake Region were our guest speakers and visiting Rotarians. Arron Ouellette from Daddy-O's was the guest of Ron Morse and past member Beth Garza from Norway Savings Bank was the guest of Pat Cook.

Rotary Moment – Greeter Curtis Cole talked about his recent visit to the Bethel Club. Long time member Robin Zinchuk is their President-elect this year. They have stopped publishing their newsletter and as a reminder, they have an evening meeting at various locations in Bethel on any 5th Tuesday of the month.

Announcements:

President Chris - Tickets for the Ray Brown Memorial Dance are still available. Remember, the dance is this coming weekend.

Also this coming weekend is the District Assembly at USM in Portland. (I do not have information on where exactly the Assembly will be held on campus but assume it is on the District website. If not, I guess attendees will have to wing it) *ed*.

DG Sheila Rollins and President Chris will be collaborating for OH Rotary volunteers for the District Conference in June.

Ron Morse – the St. Patrick’s Day luncheon was a great success again this year. There were 8 OH Rotarians who helped serve 105 dinners at the Progress Center.

Kim Preble – United Way is sponsoring a Dining-to-Donate event at Applebee’s on April 14th.

Dan Allen – for those who don’t follow Dan on FB or otherwise have contact with him, he posted this morning that he slipped on the ice yesterday (Friday) and landed on his elbow which pushed his arm up into his shoulder. He said the ER doctor thought he tore his rotator cuff. Dan is using a sling but says he is in a lot of pain and plans to see an orthopedist this week.

Last Week –

Our visitors from Bridgton outlined their upcoming trip to the Dominican Republic (DR) which will take place from April 19 to April 26, 2016. There will be 22 Rotarians and Interactors from the Bridgton and Fryeburg area traveling to La Romana, DR, to help install toilets, wash stations, implement hygiene training and distribute supplies. This will be Emma’s 4th trip to the Dominican Republic since 2006 to work on water and sanitation projects. The cost per person is \$1,200.00 including air fare. OH Rotary helped sponsor the trip with a \$500.00 donation. Emma invited our club to consider participating in future trips as well as our Interact Club.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊 - Dennis offered to write a letter to a chemical company contact he has asking for a donation the Bridgton-Lake Region project in DR. These companies sell a lot of chlorine to the DR and other third world countries to make more water usable everywhere. Kim was happy to be traveling to Denver next week to attend a United Way conference then sadly will be having knee surgery the following week so will be away for the next two weeks. Bob was happy to be back from Mexico where he found even the natives drink bottled water. Chris was happy that his involvement with the adaptive ski program at Shawnee Peak took him to Bretton Woods ski area over the weekend where he enjoyed a weekend of ski comradery.

50/50 – Ron drew the 10 of Spades so the pot lives on another week.

Thought for the week:

“I’m not old, I’m just ripe.”

~ Red Green ~

April Birthdays: Joel Speakman – 4/7; George Rice – 4/12; Tally Decato – 4/20; Beth Abbott – 4/24; Mike (Beth) Abbott – 4/26

There were no April wedding anniversaries or membership anniversaries listed.

Make-ups:

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

www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Bridgton Alliance Church, Harrison Rd., 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, 2:30 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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