The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills PO Box 14 Norway, ME 04268

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

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 71st day of 2021. There are 295 days remaining in the year. This morning we have the March Students of the Month and their guests with us. Beth Abbott is our greeter.

<u>Calendar:</u> 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:

- 14 Ray Brown Memorial Special Olympics Dance
- 18 Miranda Ward and Val Weston Evening meeting at Daddy O's in Oxford, 5:30 PM. Our guest speaker will be from the Pink Feather Organization, telling us who they are and what they do.
- 19 Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30PM 6:00PM
- 25 Chris Weston and Chris Weston
- 29 Country Breakfast sponsored by the Bethel Rotary, Gould Academy, 7:30 AM 11:00 AM
- 30 Board Meeting at 5:30 PM at the South Paris Town Office

April:

- 1 Club Assembly and Miranda Ward
- 8 April Students of the Month and Chris Summers
- 15 Val Weston and Joel Speakman (Evening Meeting)

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: There were no visiting Rotarians or guests.

Announcements:

<u>PP Patty Rice</u> – Substituting for PE Lynne Schott this week, Patty read a thank-you note from Andrea Patstone from Stephens Memorial Hospital who promised that she would be back to speak to us again. Patty also read an invitation to the club from the Chamber of Commerce for members to attend the Chamber's Annual Dinner on March 28th.

We also gave a big thank-you to Tina Fox and Beth Abbott for organizing last Monday's Annual Dinner at the Honey Badger Grille in Oxford at which Peter Kaurup received the 2019 Rotarian of the Year award. Congratulations Peter!

Don't forget the Bethel Rotary Club's Country Breakfast on Sunday, March 29th, at Gould Academy in Bethel from 7:30AM to 11:00AM. It is a great breakfast so hopefully some of us can go and support the Bethel Club.

On behalf of our Cheese Wheel chief of staff, Heidi Ortiz, we still have 4 cases of cheese left to sell, so contact those folks you have sold cheese to and see if they want more.

In order to lessen the load on PE Lynne Schott, Patty announced that the role of leading the club weekly will be passed around to past presidents or anyone else who wishes to gain experience running the meeting.

<u>AG Chris</u> — we still have tickets to sell to the Ray Brown Special Olympics Dance at the South Paris Legion Hall on March 14 (which is now this coming Saturday).

<u>Dave Preble</u> – reported that the Cornhole Tournament committee met last Friday and discussed the following: the event will be held at Rowe School on Saturday, April 25th, from 9:00 AM – 5:00PM. There will be two competitive divisions, advanced and non-league players. Fee structures and prizes were discussed. A list of sponsoring businesses will be forthcoming and a follow-up meeting will be held shortly.

<u>Dan H. and Patty</u> announced that four more membership proposals will be going to the board for approval at the board meeting being held after today's (now last week's) meeting. Dan later sent an email to the membership that they were approved. I believe this brings us to 10 proposals approve since the membership drive started.

Last Week:

PP & Treasurer Patty Rice led us in the Pledge, 4 Way test and Rotary prayer. Dan A. led us in singing both verses of "Yankee Doodle" in rousing fashion.

Our 2019 Rotarian of the Year, Peter Kaurup, showed us three You Tube videos entitled: "What Do You Get Out of Rotary?" "Is Your Club Welcoming?" And lastly, "What is Rotary?" They were all well received.

Dan Allen elaborated on the first video by stating that when he solicits a potential member, he tells the prospect what Rotary will do for them. In other words, he mentions benefits similar to how a salesperson would sell a product.

Happy Dollars (2)

Lynne had a happy dollar that her 19 month old grandson was able to go skiing recently.

<u>Dan H.</u> said he recently visited President Pat who said she was not ready to return to the club but was hoping to feel up to it sometime.

Dave visited with Pat as well and also talked with Ron Morse recently. He also had Happy Dollars for the OHCHS Girls Basketball team who won the State Championship for the second year in a row last Saturday at the Cross Insurance Arena in Portland (aka the Civic Center). He was also happy the People's Veto on vaccines failed in the election.

<u>50/50 –</u> There was \$300 in the pot but ROTY Peter Kaurup did not draw the King of Clubs.

<u>March Birthdays</u> — 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

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

March is Rotary's Water and Sanitation Month

"We have the ability to provide clean water for every man, woman and child on the Earth. What has been lacking is the collective will to accomplish this. What are we waiting for? This is the commitment we need to make to the world now."

~ Jean-Michel Cousteau ~

The Daily Extra:

"Mondays are the potholes in the road of life."

~ Tom Wilson ~

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

