



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
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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 to our third virtual meeting. Thursday will be the 114th day of 2020 with 252 days remaining in the year. According to the meeting notes, Dan Allen is going to e-mail club members a couple of questions for us to share.

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

As we now know, due to the Coronavirus, our meetings and events have been cancelled until further notice, now through April at a minimum.

Last Week:

We had our second Zoom meeting on Thursday morning at 7:30 AM. Members participating were: Becky, Peter, Beth, Stan, Jen, Dave, Dan A., Dan H., Val, Chris W., Chris S., Curtis, Bob, Lynne, Paul, Liz and Tina. Lois was our guest once again. The meeting was called to order at 7:32 AM.

1. Beth gave us an update on the food pantries and made some recommendations which were approved by the board. We will be donating \$1,000.00 to the 1st Congregational Church minister's discretionary fund, \$500.00 to the Town of Paris for food deliveries, \$500.00 to the Oxford Hills food pantry and \$500.00 to the Harrison food pantry for fuel for refrigeration

they are using for food. These donations total \$2,500.00 from the approved budget of \$4,500.00, thus leaving us \$2,000.00 for future needs.

2. Peter told us that the Harrison pantry has been overwhelmed. He updated the dates for pick-up and delivery. The pantry will be open for pick-up on Tuesday. Wednesday will be delivery day. Sandy or Sheila from Harrison will e-mail the delivery people on Monday with the list of people to contact for delivery. Dan Hart also delivered last week as well. He offered to be our contact if anyone else wants to volunteer. Beth said the pantry needs a box truck for storage. Theirs is getting too old to repair. Dan A. said he would check with Hancock Lumber to see if they can donate a truck. He will follow up with Beth and get contact info for Sandy and Sheila.
3. Tina said she would follow up with the Oxford PD to see if they need support. At this time, they are also supporting the Paris PD.
4. The Scholarship committee has extended the deadline for the return of applications until May 15th, a month later than usual. Tina will contact the guidance people and follow up with them. Dan H. is planning a meeting for the scholarship committee on May 21st which will include Dan, Tina, Tally, John, Miranda and Abbie.
5. Beth announced that Bancroft lost two trucks in the explosion at the Jay paper mill. No one was hurt but the two trucks are a total loss.
6. Tina asked if we can post our address in the minutes for Happy Dollars and any other correspondence. *(The address has always been at the top of the first page of the Reader and I posted it after Happy Dollars as well last week, ed.)*

Beth said she would check with Patty but thought Patty wouldn't mind if we dropped off checks in a box just inside the door at Austin Associates if we were going by.
7. Peter said that the E-club is having difficulties getting organized because of the current situation, but Portland Sunrise and Bath are looking at becoming the official sponsor for the club. At their Zoom meeting, Sandy Sweat spoke to 8 or 9 participants.
8. Tina announced that RYLA has been cancelled and the Interact Conference has been rescheduled to November 21, 2020 at Dover, NH high school. Also, because of continued uncertainty, the trip to NY in the fall has also been cancelled.
9. Students of the Month will still be selected and Tina will share their information at our next meeting if she is able.
10. Paul said that he will send out an e-mail on the pros and cons of having the Auction this year for us to discuss at our next meeting.

11. Stan is keeping attendance for the Zoom meetings as they are regularly scheduled meetings.
12. Chris S. told us that Mary Helman is holding a Zoom meeting on club growth on Saturday, the 18th and we all got an e-mail on that.
13. Lastly, Tina shared a video from the high school that went out to students.

😊Happy and Sad Dollars😊

Chris S. had a happy dollar for his daughter. She played the Easter bunny at her work. The bunny suit was for a person 5' 2" tall and his daughter is more like 5' 7" but all went well.

Paul had a happy \$2 for the new addition to his family, a little Chihuahua named Olivia. She was a stray that they found in Florida. (We got to see her and she is really cute).

Lois had a sad dollar for all the small businesses that may have trouble re-opening. She is saying a prayer for them. Her family is one of the small businesses, Papoose Pond.

Tina had a happy \$5 for her grandson, Gilbert, who turned 6 months old recently. He is doing well. Tina took him on a 2 ½ mile walk, got him to sleep in the stroller and gave Lindsay a little break.

Curtis went for a hike out back and didn't get any ticks on him. He said he doesn't want to get Corona with Lime!

Lynne had a happy \$1 for her neighbor that was diagnosed with the virus but is doing better.

David contributed a happy \$20. He had on all his Red Sox apparel and mug ready for Frank who didn't show up this morning.

John had a sad dollar for **Frank** who sent him an e-mail later in the day saying he didn't get or couldn't find an e-mail inviting him to the meeting. John also had a sad and happy dollar for his son-in-law who was laid off from his job. However, he is in negotiations with two other IT companies that look to be promising – one is a start-up owned by a friend of his and another approached him to come and work for them.

Don't forget that even though we aren't meeting, we still have financial goals to reach by the end of June, particularly Every Rotarian Every Year. We can mail our happy dollars to Patty at our PO Box 14 in Norway.

April Birthdays – Abbie Earle – 4/5; Joel Speakman – 4/7; George Rice – 4/12; Tally Decato – 4/20;
Beth Abbott – 4/24; Michael (Beth) Abbott – 4/26

April Wedding Anniversaries – None listed

April Membership Anniversaries – None listed

Pun of the Week:

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.

Riddle me this....

What would you call a porch with steps in front of singer Glenn Campbell's home?
Why Campbell's stoop of course.

Thought for the Week:

“Dignity is like a perfume; those who use it are scarcely conscious of it.”

~ Queen Christina of Sweden – 1626-1689 ~

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

