

Rotary



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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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."

2018-2019 Officers:

Rotary International President: Barry Rassin - District 7780 Governor: John LoBosco – Oxford Hills Rotary President: George Rice – Pres. Elect: Pat Cook – Vice-pres.: Lynne Schott – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Chris Weston – Club Service Chair: Chris Summers – Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of President and PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Good morning and Welcome! Today is the 149th day of 2019. There are 216 days remaining in the year. This morning, we have the Top Graduating Students of the Class of 2019 from OHCHS with us. Heidi Ortiz 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.

June:

3 – Board Meeting at Deering Memorial Community Center in South Paris at 5:30 PM

5 – Club Assembly and Ron Morse

8 – Project Graduation

12 – Curtis Cole and Liz Knox. Curtis's guest speaker is Dennis Gray who will be updating us on the Norway Opera House.

19 – Abbie Earl and Peter Kaurup

26 – Changeover and Becky Kaurup

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Other than our guest speaker, Geri Murphy, we did not have any other visiting Rotarians our guests.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Dave Preble brought our attention to an article in the Rotarian magazine about Elias Thomas, PDG and Sanford Rotary Club member. Elias has been a Rotarian for many years and has been instrumental in the work of Rotary, especially in India. Dave said that Elias was very influential to him when he joined Rotary and is an excellent example of what one person can do to make a difference in the world.

Announcements:

President George – Don't forget to sign up for the Bridgton Golf Tournament if you wish to play. Also, if you are interested in attending the Bath club's 100th birthday celebration, you can sign up on line.

Keep selling Lobsters for Scholars tickets. We really need to sell all 150 tickets in order to make a good profit. A suggestion – get three people to buy one ticket. That is \$10 each and each person gets to invite some family and friends.

AG Chris Summers – Posters for the Ray Brown Dance are available if you want to take some for your place of business or anywhere else you would like to put one up. Dennis Boyd has agreed to be the DJ for the dance this year.

Beth Abbott – we had several boxes of cookies left over from May Day Play Day. Rather than keep them for something else, she suggested that we donate them to Project Graduation which was heartily agreed to by the club.

Frank Shorey – John texted Frank to see if he and Connie were coming to Maine this summer and Frank texted back that they are indeed coming home for July and August – something we need to keep in mind.

Last Week:

President George led us in the Pledge and 4 Way Test. Dan A. led us in singing “Oh When We Meet at Rotary” and Glenn gave the invocation.

Program Chair Dan Allen introduced Geri Murphy from Covenant House which is a charitable organization, providing shelter for the homeless youth, runaways, victims of human trafficking, abuse situations and other events. It was founded in 1972 in the Hell's Kitchen area of New York City with the purpose of providing refuge for people in crisis. Through the years, it has grown to include 31 shelters in 6 countries. There are 25 shelters in the US, 2 in Canada and 4 in Latin America. The shelter in Mexico has just re-opened after being closed for a time. The shelters are open 24/7/365 and are places where people can go to get a hot meal and medical attention. They have a full time medical staff at each location. They served 1,000,000 hot meals last year and served 89,000 youths. Their programs reinforce self-esteem, provide employment training and help people learn to be responsible adults.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊:

Glenn had a happy to be back dollar and Dan was happy that Geri was able to come and speak to us today.

50/50: Patty drew Dan's # but Dan didn't draw the sort of yellow ball. There was \$161 in the pot.

May Birthdays – Sharon (Glenn) Huntley – 5/1; Patty Rice – 5/9

May Wedding Anniversaries – Chris & David Twitchell – 5/13; Peter & Becky Kaurup – 5/16; Dan & Nancy Allen – 5/21; Frank & Connie Shorey – 5/23.

May Membership Anniversaries – Tonya Swart – 1 yr – 5/2; Lynne Schott – 15 yrs – 5/5; Liz Knox – 1 yr – 5/9; Miranda Ward – 4 yrs – 5/13; Joel Speakman – 8 yrs – 5/19

Thought for the Week:

“We honor the dead best by treating the living well.”

~ Jennifer Granholm ~

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