

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."

2016-2017 Officers:

Rotary International President: John Germ - District 7780 Governor: Marge Barker – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Joel Speakman – Pres. Elect: Chris Weston – Vice-pres.: George Rice – Treas.: Pat Cook – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Chris Summers – Club Service Chair: Ron Morse – Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Dan Allen - International Service Chair: Beth Abbott – Youth Service Chair: Lynne Schott

Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Welcome! Today is the 165th day of 2017. There are 200 days remaining in the year. George Campbell was unable to be program chair today but we do have a really special guest speaker, PP Roy Earl. Miranda Ward 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.

6/15 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. We need 2 people to help out.

6/17 – 6/18 – Presidential Rafting Trip in Moxie Gore hosted by Bob and Lynne Schott.

6/21 – Rotarian of the Year Dinner and Recognition at 5:30 PM at Norway Country Club. We will not be having our regular morning meeting. Paul Thornfeldt is greeter.

6/27 – District Changeover at Camp Hinds in Raymond

6/28 – Changeover and Chris Summers

7/3 – July Board meeting at Joel's office, 5:30 PM.

7/5 – Lois Strauss and Beth Abbott

7/12 – Club Assembly (Auction and President) and Joel Speakman

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: We had one visiting Rotarian who chooses to remain anonymous. There were no other guests.

Announcements:

President Joel – Don't forget that dues are due at the end of this month, \$160. Notices are available if you need one to be reimbursed by your employer/business.

We received recognition from PDG Marty Helman for our support of the Rotary Foundation. So far this year, Oxford Hills has donated \$5,095 to the Foundation, an average of \$159 per capita compared to \$121 average per capita for the District. This compares to the \$3,880 we donated last year.

The Board meeting last Monday was a bit exciting with the fire behind the Edward Jones office on the Dead River property. We opened the back door to see flames shooting high in the air.

There is a sign-up sheet going around for the Rotarian of the Year Dinner which will be held at Norway Country Club on Wednesday evening, June 21. The cost is \$18 per person. Meet at 5:30 PM. Remember, there will be no morning meeting that week.

Paul – solicitation sheets for the auction are on the table at the back of the room again this week. Lois and Herb Strauss donated a beautiful wood stove and a bath tub which have been sold already, so we are off to a good start. We have had new auction bidding cards printed and new receipts printed which will make things a little more professional.

Beth – 16 additional members have become sustaining members this week. There are just two weeks left to become a sustaining member so please see Beth if you need to know where you stand.

Louise – the board approved the plans for Visioning at the board meeting so the 5 committees can proceed with their planning.

Last Week:

Before our guest speakers were introduced, PP Chris Summers recognized Miranda Ward for all of her work designing new posters and handouts for us as well as for her photography and Facebook skills since joining Rotary. Thank you, Miranda!

Dan Allen also spoke up to thank Pat Cook for her service as treasurer as she moves on to Vice-president and to Rachel Brown for stepping into the treasurer post.

Mary Lou Burns introduced our guest speakers, Sarah Carter and Janie Pearson, from the Alan Day Community Garden. Sarah is on the Board of Directors and Jamie is Youth Outreach coordinator. Sarah talked about what a gem the garden is and unfortunately, not many residents realize it is there. Garden plots can be rented for \$40 for the summer and they are expanding the number of plots available. Not only can you grow your own food, but there are education, demonstrations and outreach programs as well. Jamie works with middle and high school students, 13-18 years of age. They spend 8 weeks working in the gardens learning healthy eating and cooking skills as well. They also help out at the Garden's stall at the weekly farmer's market.

😊 **Happy Dollars** 😊 - Frank was happy for Dave because the Sox and Rays are each one game out. And please, no one call him this afternoon because he has a 1:40 tee time. Lois was happy to be going to the Maine State Music Theater to see the Patsy Cline show. Kim was happy for her dad who is officially done with doctors after last winter's skiing accident. She is both happy and sad that softball season is over. Her girls' team did 500. Glenn was happy to see Ed Lyons again. Patty was happy that she and George are leaving Friday morning for the RI Convention in Atlanta. Dan said he was happy to be a member of Oxford Hills Rotary which is the center of the known universe in the center of the known universe, South Paris, Maine. Sarah had a remembrance dollar for her dad, Dave Carter, who was a long time member. Bob was pleased that the moon bounce came back totally rolled up – thanks Miranda.

50/50 – Dan Hart drew Paul's number but Paul drew the King of Diamonds, not the Kind of Clubs. There was \$363 in the pot and the number of cards is getting down there.

JUNE Birthdays – Nancy (Dan) Allen – 6/4; David (Chris) Twitchell – 6/5; Louise Firth-Campbell – 6/13; Barbara Ann (Jack) Sours – 6/14; Corey (Beth) Garza – 6/18; Becky (Dave) Preble – 6/20; Lynne Schott – 6/22

JUNE Anniversaries – George & Patty Rice – 6/3; Bob & Lynne Schott – 6/5; Joel & Heather Speakman – 6/8; Tina & Charlie Fox – 6/13; John & Shelley Griffith – 6/21; Trish & Donald Logan – 6/27

JUNE Membership Anniversaries: Rachel Brown – 1 yr – 6/1; Beth Garza – 1 yr – 6/1; John Griffith – 11 yrs – 6/6; Curtis Cole – 33 yrs – 6/14

The Daily Extra:

25 Years ago on June 6, 1992....

New York Mets first baseman Eddie Murray breaks the RBI (runs batted in) record for a switch hitter when he drives in the 1,510th run of his career. Mickey Mantle had held the record previously.

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 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

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