

# Rotary



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

**Wednesday, June 17, 2015**

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills

PO Box 14

Norway, ME 04268

Rotary Theme for 2014-2015:

**"Light Up Rotary"**

**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."

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### **2014-2015 Officers:**

Rotary International President: Gary Huang – Governor, District 7780: Lawrence Furbish – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Christina Twitchell – Pres. Elect: Chris Summers – Vice-pres.: Joel Speakman – Treas.: Pat Cook – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Dave Preble – Community Service Chair: Dan Allen – International Service Chair: Club Service Chair: Ron Morse – Youth Services Chair: Vocational Service Chair: Chris Weston

**Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Beth Abbott**

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**Welcome!** Today is the 168th day of 2015. There are 197 days remaining in the year. Patty Rice is program chair this morning. Her guest speaker is Kate Michaud from King's Hill Inn. Joe Balchunas is our greeter.

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**Thought for the week:** "Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad."

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**Calendar:** *The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter.* Please let Program Chair Joel Speakman know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. You can reach Joel at 207-381-0081 or at [speakmanbiz@gmail.com](mailto:speakmanbiz@gmail.com). Also please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia.

**6/20 – District Changeover Event at Camp Hinds in Raymond – 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**6/20 – Relay for Life**

**6/24 – No Wednesday meeting**

**6/27 – Changeover at Dave & Chris Twitchell's in Oxford**

**6/29 – Board Meeting at TD Bank in Oxford at 5:30 PM.**

**7/1 – Club Assembly and Beth Abbott**

**7/8 – Auction Meeting and Val Weston**

**7/9 – Jewell Island Celebration with Portland Rotary – Casco Bay Lines, Portland, 6:00-9:00 PM.**

**7/15 – Lynne Schott and Chris Weston**

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** There were no visiting Rotarians last week. Guests were Ed Lyons and Linda and Randy Jack from the Oxford Legion, Geoff Spear and scholarship recipient, Avery Spear.

## **Announcements:**

**President Christina** - Thanked Beth Abbott for hosting last week.

Bruce May made a gavel for us to present to the River Valley Club at their anniversary dinner on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

We need two people to sign up for the Progress Center Community dinner on June 18<sup>th</sup>. John and Paul volunteered.

We will be sharing hosting duties with United Way of Oxford County and the Oxford American Legion for the Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours on Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. We will be collecting donations of school supplies so don't forget to bring something.

We received an e-mail memo from DG Lawrence Furbish about Rotoplast. The District is close to meeting his goal in donations for the year. If you would like to make a donation to get us to goal, please get it to District Treasurer Patty Rice as soon as possible. We have not heard much about Rotoplast for the last few years but that will change in the coming months as Ellie Andrews from Bethel is going to be District Rotoplast Chair starting July 1.

A reminder that the **District Changeover will be at Camp Hinds in Raymond on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>** from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM. There will be a BBQ, RYLA activities, bon fire and music. Stan will be setting a tent for this on Friday evening.

In addition, we will have our own **Changeover supper at Dave & Chris Twitchell's farm in Oxford on June 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM.** Please sign-up and indicate what you would like to bring for us to eat.

**Phil** – introduced Avery Spear and his father, Geoff. Avery came to thank us for giving him one the David Paine Scholarship this year. He said it would be a big help to him. We also received a thank you letter from the Aspire Higher Race Car team for our donation to their program. As a result, there will be a Rotary logo on their car for the season.

**Patty** – handed out a flyer for the Summer Lunch program through Healthy Oxford Hills. They are looking for volunteers to help out. If you would like to do so, please call Ellen at Healthy Oxford Hills, 739-6222.

**Dave** – taking over as Foundation Chair for Larry Jordan who has resigned from the club. Looking at the calendar, Dave said that next week (now today) is the last regular meeting we will have in June so if you need to “make-up” in donations to the cups to meet the \$100 per year per Rotarian goal, you have just a short time to do so.

**Ron** – auction planning is progressing. The solicitation list was passed around last week and will be again today. Time is getting short so please start calling on folks as soon as you can.

**Last Week's Program:** Our guest speaker was our newest member, Kim Preble from Oxford County United Way. Kim will be talking at other Rotary Clubs in Oxford County to help spread her message. Oxford County United Way was established in 1989 and in the 26 years since then, it has given out more than \$1.5 million dollars. OCUW is the smallest United Way in the state with only 1 full time staff member, Kim. One of her goals is to not be the smallest UW and she is developing programs,

events and publicity to spread the word. Her emphasis this year will be focused on education, income and health using these as building blocks in developing a strategic plan.

😊 **Happy Dollars** 😊 - Beth had a happy dollar for meeting the Rotarians from Bulgaria in Bethel and she presented us with flags from the two clubs there participating in the exchange. Linda Jack had \$6 happy dollars for the Concerts in the Park in Oxford this summer. Patty had a happy dollar for the Heywood Club Yard sale on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Curtis was happy for the Bulgarians and that he learned a lot from them.

**50/50** – Ron drew Kim Preble’s number but Kim drew the 2 of Hearts. The pot rolls over once again.

**Birthdays in June:** Nancy (Dan) Allen – 6/4; David (Christina) Twitchell – 6/5; Barbara Ann (Jack) Sours – 6/14; Becky (Dave) Preble – 6/20; Lynne Schott – 6/22

**Anniversaries in June:** George and Patty Rice – 6/3; Bob and Lynne Schott – 6/5; Joel and Heather Speakman – 6/8; John and Shelley Griffith – 6/21; Phil and Shawn Libby – 6/25.

**Membership Anniversaries in June:** John Griffith – 9 years – 6/6; Curtis Cole – 31 years – 6/14

### **Make-ups:**

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

[www.bethelrotary.org](http://www.bethelrotary.org)

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

[www.lakeregionrotary.org](http://www.lakeregionrotary.org)

**Fryeburg** – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg

[www.fryeburgrotary.org](http://www.fryeburgrotary.org)

**Mountain Valley** – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford

[www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org](http://www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org)

**Interact** – Thursday, 2:30 PM, Room B238, Oxford Hills Comprehensive 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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