The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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



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

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Welcome to our Rotarian of the Year Dinner! Today is the 172nd day of 2017. There are 193 days remaining in the year. Paul Thornfeldt is greeter tonight.

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.

6/27 - 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

7/15 - AUCTION DAY!

7/19 - Tally Decato and Bob Schott

7/20 - Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30PM-6:00PM. We need 2 people to help out.

7/26 - Louise Firth-Campbell and Lynne Schott

<u>Visiting Rotarians and Guests:</u> We had two visiting Rotarians, Frank Shorey from Murdock Rotary in Port Charlotte, FL, and Peter Kaurup from Crescent City, FL. Our one guest was our speaker, PP Roy Earl.

<u>Rotary Moment</u> — Miranda took a few minutes to talk about music and how it makes us feel. She said that one of her favorites is "I Don't Want to Miss a Thing" by Aerosmith which really sums up her life. Frank suggested "My Love, My Love" by Joanie James and Joel chose "Crazy for You" by Madonna.

Announcements:

<u>President Joel</u> – Once again, 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.

Don't forget that our meeting this week will be our Rotarian of the Year Dinner at Norway Country Club. Social half hour starts at 5:30PM followed by dinner at 6:00 PM. If you have not signed up, it is not too late to do so.

<u>Paul</u> — as of today (now a week ago), we are 1 month away from the auction. Curtis and Paul picked up a few things this past week but we have a way to go. The sign-up sheet is going around and will continue for the next few weeks. Don't forget to do your solicitations and if you have not signed up to do any as yet, there are still plenty of opportunities. Advertising will be coming out shortly. Call Paul, Curtis or Chris S. for pick-up.

<u>Beth</u> – All donations to the Foundation to become a sustaining member must be In by June 21 (today) in order to receive credit for the 2016-2017 year. Anything received after that date will be applied to next year.

Bob – thanks to all who helped out with the ropes at Project Graduation.

<u>Chris W. and President Joel</u> presented our scholarships at Class Night. It was a successful event and everyone was very happy.

Last Week:

PP Roy Earl was our very special guest speaker. Along with WWII veterans from other branches of the service, Roy was invited to represent the Marine Corps at the 2017 Rose Bowl game. It all started the previous fall when Roy was invited to go on an honor flight to Washington DC. He felt he didn't need to go as he had been to Washington many times but said they wouldn't take no for an answer, so he went and had a wonderful time. Subsequently, he was invited to the annual Marine Birthday Ball on November 10 and was an honored guest. He was presented with an engraved axe by the Corps. One week later, he received a call from the Marines asking him to represent the Marines at the Rose Bowl. He was with a group of WWII veterans and was the youngest at age 92. Roy said one of the best parts was getting hugged by the cheerleaders. Roy is a veteran of IWO Jima and three other island battles and was on the front line of each one. If you missed Roy's talk, you missed something special.

Was very happy to meet Roy. <u>Lois</u> was happy for all of Louise's work with Visioning. <u>Joel</u> had a happy dollar for Roy as well. <u>Kim</u> had a sad dollar that she won't be able to attend the ROTY dinner but was happy to invite everyone to come to the open house for United Way on June 21st at its new location on the second floor of the SCORE building in Market Square. <u>Beth</u> was happy to announce that the Gates Foundation has re-upped for three more years, pledging to eliminate polio. <u>Bob</u> was happy to see Roy with us again. After several years as chair, <u>Glenn</u> announced that the Norway-Paris Fish & Game would not be having their annual yard sale as they lost their storage and have sold off everything left over from last year.

<u>50/50 – Chris W. drew Lois's number but Lois drew the 5 of Hearts. There was \$376 in the pot.</u>

<u>JUNE Birthdays</u> — 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

<u>JUNE Anniversaries</u> — 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

Thought for the week:

"Many a fair flower springs out of a dunghill."

From <u>Yankee Wisdom,</u> <u>New England Proverbs</u>

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.orgth

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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