

# Rotary



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills

PO Box 14

Norway, ME 04268

Rotary Theme for 2015-2016:

*"Be a gift to the world"*

**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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### 2015-2016 Officers:

Rotary International President: K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran – District 7780 Governor: Sheila Rollins – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Chris Summers – Pres. Elect: Joel Speakman – Vice-pres.: Chris Weston – Treas.: Pat Cook – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Christina Twitchell – Club Service Chair: Ron Morse – Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Dan Allen - International Service Chair: Dave Preble – Youth Service Chair: Kim Preble

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

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**Welcome!** Today is the 174th day of 2016. There are 192 days remaining in the year. Our program chair this morning is Miranda Ward. Her guest speaker is Jamie Shead from the Feel Better Food Program. Lois Strauss 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 207-743-6129 or at [griffs2@roadrunner.com](mailto: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.

**6/29 – Change-over at Tabor's in Auburn and Joel Speakman**

**7/1 – Dues are due!**

**7/6 – Paul Thornfeldt gets double duty as program chair and greeter**

**7/9 – Annual Auction at OHCHS**

**7/11 – Board meeting at 5:30 at Edward Jones in South Paris**

**7/13 – Chris Weston and Bob Schott**

**7/20 – Val Weston and Lynne Schott**

**7/27 – Beth Abbott and Patty Rice**

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** PDG Marty Helman from Boothbay was our visiting Rotarian. Trish Logan was the guest of Linda Jack and Maisey Griffin was the guest of Kim Preble.

### **Announcements:**

We were very sad to hear of the passing of Fred White. Fred was a member of the Exeter, NH, Rotary. He and his wife, Ginger, owned a home on Norway Lake and were summer visitors for many years. Fred attended our club meetings faithfully every summer until he and Ginger sold their home at the lake a few years ago. Fred was a wonderful man and will be greatly missed.

**President Chris** – remember that we can order our own Rotary clothing from [Companycasuals.com/thisisrotary](http://Companycasuals.com/thisisrotary).

Arrangements have been finalized with Tabor's in Auburn for our Changeover Meeting next week. We will officially meet at 6:00 PM but if you want to come early for an extra round of mini-golf or shoot some balls at the driving range, feel free to do so. We plan to order off their menu but if you want to bring something for pot luck, please do.

The installation of the new Rotary sign by the bowling alley was postponed due to President Chris being elected a selectman for the Town of Paris on election day and his needing to attend town meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

The auction is getting close and "we need stuff" so please contact family and friends. While we have picked up some donations, we have a long way to go towards filling up the storage trailer. The sign-up sheet was passed around again and we will have a list of merchants ready for today. If everyone could pick 5 to solicit, it would be appreciated. If you remember who you went to last year, please feel free to do so.

President Chris presented Tally with a special mug to thank her for her chairing May Day Play Day once again. Tally has accepted the new challenge of chairing the Visioning Committee starting next month.

**Dave Preble** – if you have not contributed enough to the Foundation to make the \$100 Every Year Every Rotarian goal, today is the last day to contribute for 2015-2016. Any contributions made after today will go toward next year.

**Kim Preble** – the United Way has taken over administering the summer meals program for elementary school age children. There will be three lunch sites this year – Moore Park in South Paris, Alan Day Community Garden in Norway and Oxford Elementary school. Lunches will be put together at South Paris Baptist Church and distributed by volunteers from there. Maisy Griffin from Healthy Oxford Hills is working with the program and she talked about their funding needs for food, lunch bags, cleaning supplies and so on. On a motion by Patty Rice and seconded by Ron Morse, the club voted to donate \$500 to the program.

**Last Week:** Program Chair Lois Strauss gave an over view of her efforts to secure a global grant to install a solar water pump and irrigation system for the farm at Dolfine's orphanage and school in Kisumi, Kenya. She also asked PDG Marty Helman to talk to us about Global grants and how the process works. First and foremost, projects must be sustainable. In the past, many projects were done and when completed, fell by the wayside because there was no follow up to insure continuation. Projects now require a community assessment and a club on the ground at the other end. Not only does a Global grant project require financial support, equipment and supplies, there must also be a transfer of knowledge to insure continued success.

**Happy Dollars** 😊 **Dave** had happy dollars for Becky's birthday, their trip to Bar Harbor and their son's wedding. **Glenn** had a happy dollar for our new members, what Rotary means and for celebrating 35 years at Ripley & Fletcher. **Ron** had happy dollars for 5 of his grandchildren who had graduations this year. **Stan** had a thank-you to Dave, John, Paul and Chris for helping with tents. **Lois** had a thank-you for Marty Helman and **Marty** had a glad to be here dollar.

**50/50** – Dave drew Deb's number but she did not draw the King of Clubs. There was \$146 in the pot this week.

**June Birthdays:** 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.

**June Anniversaries: George & Patty Rice – 16 yrs – 6/3; Bob & Lynne Schott – 45 yrs – 6/5; Joel & Heather Speakman – 25 yrs – 6/8; John and Shelley Griffith – 41 yrs – 6/21.**

**June Membership Anniversaries: John Griffith – 10 yrs – 6/7; Curtis Cole – 32 yrs – 6/14**

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## **The Four 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?**

### **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 Community Center, 15 Depot St., 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.orgth](http://www.fryeburgrotary.orgth)

**River 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 A200, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School



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