

# Rotary



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

Saturday, June 27, 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 178th day of 2015. There are 187 days remaining in the year. This week is Changeover as President Christina hands over the reins of the club to President-elect Chris Summers. Let us all greet one another!

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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.

**6/29 – 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 – After Auction Meeting and Chris Weston**

**7/22 – Bob Schott and Miranda Ward**

**7/29 – Jack Sours and Christina Twitchell**

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** Rotarian Dennis King from Washington TWP, New Jersey was with us once again. There were no other guests.

### **Announcements:**

**President Christina -** Don't forget that we have been asked by the Portland Rotary to join them on a cruise to Jewell Island on July 9<sup>th</sup> to celebrate 25 years since we worked with them on the Jewell Island project. The cruise is on Casco Bay Lines in Portland and runs from 6:00PM to 9:00PM. The cost is \$40 per person.

Also, the Norway-Paris Kiwanians have asked us to join them again this year for a cruise on the Songo River Queen on Long Lake. The date is August 13<sup>th</sup> and the cost is \$10 per person. Those of us who went last year had a great time.

A continuing reminder that 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> at the Legion in Oxford. We will be collecting donations of school supplies so don't forget to bring something.

**Paul** – the Auction is coming quickly. Please be sure to look at the solicitation list being circulated and to get your solicitations done. We have the letter to family and friends, are handing out flyers at yard sales (which has resulted in some donations) and we have gift certificates if someone you solicit does not have their own. We are set for runners and we have listed some items on e-Bay.

**Patty** – The Visioning committee – three members, Patty, Tally and John – met at Tally's house on Wednesday, the 17<sup>th</sup>. We spent our time discussing two projects on our Visioning list, ways to increase cheese sales and offering a dinner to Veterans on Veteran's Day. We had excellent discussions about both and have many suggestions to pass on to the committees working on these projects.

**Dan** – took the Rotary books to Oxford Elementary and everyone was very appreciative. We have to remember that it is up to us to keep it supplied for the kids. Each book is identified as being donated by Rotary and the kids get to keep the books they take.

**John and Paul** worked at the Progress Center Community Dinner on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> where 198 meals were served. I think Paul would agree with me that it was not work but a lot of fun to do.

While **Frank Shorey** announced this during Happy Dollars, I thought it was worthy of special mention. Frank announced that after 30 years as a member of Oxford Hills Rotary, he would not be "re-enlisting" next year. For the last several years, Frank and Connie have been spending more and more time in Florida to the point that they have become residents and are now spending 9 months of the year there and 3 months here. As a result, Frank has decided to join the Murdock Rotary there and become a guest here. While this makes a lot of sense, it is sad for us because Frank has been such an integral part of Oxford Hills Rotary and the Oxford Hills community. We love you Frank and remember, you cannot hide from us!

**Last Week's Program:** Our guest speaker was Kate Michaud from King's Hill Inn. Kate and her parents, Ed and Nancy Michaud, purchased the Inn from Glen and Janice Davis last winter. Kate is the resident manager and Jill-of-all-Trades as she handles everything from bookings to cooking breakfast to cleaning rooms to planning weddings. Right now, the Inn is more known as a wedding venue with the newly renovated barn but Kate wants to expand the Inn's offerings and has introduced the King's Table dinners and other events. There are 16 weddings scheduled for the remainder of this year with next year half booked. There are 5 suites in the main house which can accommodate 16 people and the adjacent guest house can accommodate 6. There is a Facebook page and website, [kingshillinn.com](http://kingshillinn.com).

😊 **Happy Dollars** 😊 - **Phil** – had four happy dollars and a high 5 because as of 11:30 this morning, he is officially retired from SAD 17 after 30 years as a school counselor. This will allow him more time to pursue his second career working for Fed-Ex. **Dave** – had a happy dollar for the reminder of his wife's birthday in the Reader. **Dan** – was happy to be back after being absent for two weeks. **Lynne** – was happy that Louisa from Brazil and the Chinese

exchange teacher went rafting last weekend. [Dennis King](#) was happy to be here once again. [Kim](#) was happy for the Bethel Moose Festival last weekend. It was a great event. [Lois](#) was sad for Frank's announcement.

**50/50** – Frank drew Ron's ticket but Ron drew the 7 of Clubs, not the King. The pot rolls 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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