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

Welcome to our Rotarian of the Year Dinner! Today is the 165th day of 2017. There are 186 days remaining in the year. This morning is our Changeover meeting. We will be saying good-by to President Joel Speakman and hello to President Chris Weston. PP Chris Summers 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. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia.

- 7/5 Lois Strauss and Beth Abbott
- 7/10 July Board meeting at Joel's office in South Paris at 5:30 PM.
- 7/12 Club Assembly 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
- 7/31 August Board meeting at Joel's office in South Paris at 5:30 PM.

<u>Visiting Rotarians and Guests:</u> I don't have a guest list from last week so if have left anyone out, I apologize. Peter Karoup, from Crescent City, Florida and his wife were our visiting Rotarians.

Announcements:

The July board meeting has been moved from July 3rd to the next week, July 10th. It was felt that attendance might be a little low if the board meeting were held the evening before the 4th.

Final notice that dues are due by the end of the month.

Don't forget to do your solicitations for the auction. We are a little more than 2 weeks away from the big day.

Last Week:

We had our Rotarian of the Year dinner meeting at Norway Country Club, honoring our Rotarian of the Year, PP and soon AG, Chris Summers. Chris was taken totally by surprise and was left almost speechless! (He did manage a few words). In announcing the award, Pat Cook read the following, saying it reminded her of Chris and his service:

A wise woman who was traveling in the mountains found a precious stone in a stream. The next day she met another traveler who was hungry and the wise woman opened her bag to share her food. The hungry traveler saw the precious stone and asked the woman to give it to him. She did so without hesitation. The traveler left, rejoicing in his good fortune. He knew the stone was worth enough to give him security for a lifetime. But a few days later he came back to return the stone to the wise woman.

"I've been thinking," he said. 'I know how valuable the stone is, but I give it back in the hope that you can give me something that is far more precious. Give me what you have within you that enabled you to give me the stone."

Author Unknown

Congratulations, Chris. You have been a tremendous asset to our club and Rotary since you joined just 4 ½ years ago. Thank you for your service!

○ Happy Dollars **○** - We did not have Happy Dollars last week.

50/50 — We did not have a 50/50 last week.

<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

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

Thought for the week:

"If I ever go looking for my heart's desire again, I won't look any further than my own backyard, because if it isn't there, I never really lost it to begin with."

~ L. Frank Baum, the Wonderful Wizard of Oz ~

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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