



**Rotary**

## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

**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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### 2025-2026 Officers:

Rotary International President: Francesco Arezzo, Rotary Club of Ragusa, Italy - District 7780  
Governor: Emma Bodwell, Rotary Club of Bridgton-Lake Region – Oxford Hills Rotary President – Jeff Noblin  
– President-Elect: Conner Burnam – Vice-president: Bob Schott - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past President: Beth Abbott – Club Administration Chair: Bob Schott – Service Projects Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Valerie Weston – Youth Service & Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

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**Good Morning and Welcome!** Today is the 154th day of 2026. There are 211 days remaining in the year. This morning we have the Top Students from OHCHS. Liz Knox is our greeter.

Program Chairs: Please let John know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. You can text or call John at 207-4617158 or e-mail at [huick663speed@yahoo.com](mailto:huick663speed@yahoo.com). Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club paraphernalia.

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### *The Rotary Theme for June is Rotary Fellowships*

Rotary Fellowships offer opportunities to connect globally, develop leadership skills, engage in service projects, and pursue shared interests with like-minded individuals.

### *Calendar for June:*

**1 – Board Meeting at the Ripley Building, 5:00 PM**

**3 – Top Students and Liz Knox**

**5 – Senior Picnic at TL Wedding Barn, West Paris, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**10 – Val Weston and David Knox**

**17 – Beth Abbott and Rob Gunter**

**24 – Changeover and John Griffith**

**29 – Board Meeting at the Ripley Building, 5:00 PM**

**Visiting Rotarian and Guests:**

Dan Hart from the Bethel Club was our visiting Rotarian. We did not have any other guests.

**Rotary Moment:**

Greeter Ron Morse was happy to have his son, Todd, visiting with him from Canaan, Vermont, and told us to enjoy the day!

**Announcements:**

**President Jeff** – if you have not read the e-mail regarding the merger of our district, 7780, with District 7850, please do so. If you wish to know more, there are some Zoom meetings scheduled. Unfortunately, I do not have those meeting dates at hand.

**Dan Hart** – it's time for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Rotary at Sea Dogs on Sunday, July 19. Tickets for the picnic area which includes food and beverages (no beer) are \$40.00 per person. Tickets for the dugout/home plate area are \$18.75 but you must buy your own food. I believe Dan left a sign-up sheet with Curtis if you are interested in going.

**Beth Abbott** – we remembered to put out a donation jar at the food stand at May Day Play Day and we collected \$510.00 which will go towards next year's MDPD expenses.

**Dave P.** – this year's Cornhole Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, at Paris Hill Country Club.

**Last Week:**

President Jeff led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. Mike Carter gave the blessing. After breakfast and announcements, we drew the winners of the Lobsters For Scholars raffle. Dave told us we sold 137 tickets out of the 150 we hoped to sell. This was a significant improvement over last year, however. After expenses, Dave felt that we would make about \$3,000.00.

1<sup>st</sup> Place – lobster dinner for 12 – Gary Goodwin and Matthew Florenz

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$100 to the Casino – Jen Colby and Ron Thurlow

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$50 to Smedberg's – Liz Knox and Terry Hoyt

Congratulations to the winners and better luck next time to those who didn't win!

## 😊 Happy and Sad Dollars 😊

**Patty** – sad to miss most of our May meetings but both she and George are feeling much better. She also told us that her nephew Nick Brunjes is back home in Albuquerque after several months in the Middle East.

**Lynne** was happy to spend some time with her grandson at camp where they had fun singing a special song about rain.

**Bob** told us that there is a trestle down on the trail between the high school and middle school.

**Ron** had happy dollars for his son Todd visiting with him.

**50/50 – Val drew Stan’s number but he drew the 2 of Spades, not the King of Clubs. There was \$201.00 in the pot.**

### **Pun for the week:**

Eugene Levy’s family invited me to a party but they weren’t serving alcohol. I guess you could say I drove my Chevy to the Levy’s, but the Levy’s were dry.

### **June Birthdays and Anniversaries:**

**Birthdays:** Becky (Dave) Preble – 6/20; Lynne Schott – 6/22

**Anniversaries:** George & Patty Rice – 26 yrs. – 6/3; Bob & Lynne Schott – 55 yrs. – 6/5; Charlie & Tina Fox – 39 yrs. – 6/13; John & Shelley Griffith – 51 yrs. – 6/21

**Membership Anniversaries:** John Griffith – 20 yrs. – 6/7; Curtis Cole – 42 yrs. – 6/14

### **Make-Ups:**

**Bethel** – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel Inn Resort in the Terrace Area of Millbrook Tavern, 21 Broad St., Bethel

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

**Bridgton-Lake Region** – Thursday, 7:15 AM at Bridgton Alliance Church, 368 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)

**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, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School during the school year only.