

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
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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."

2023-2024 Officers:

Rotary International President: R. Gordon R. McNally, Rotary Club of South Queensbury, Scotland - District 7789
Governor: Marion Cheney, Rotary Club of Dover, NH – Oxford Hills Rotary President – Beth Abbott – President-Elect: Dan Allen – Vice-president: Jeff Noblin - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past President: George Rice – Club Service Chair: Vacant – Vocational Service Chair: Jeff Noblin - Community Service Chair: Vacant - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 164th day of 2024. There are 202 days remaining in the year. Lynne Schott is program chair this morning and David 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 207-461-7158 or e-mail 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 paraphernalia.

June:

19 – Bob Schott and John Griffith

22 – RTOY and Year End Celebration at Evie Marshall's house, North Pond.

26 – Warren Spencer and Tina Fox

29 – District Conference at Isle of Shoals

July:

1 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:00 PM

3 – Club Assembly and Tally Decato

10 – Val Weston and Curtis Cole

17 – Beth Abbott and Mike Carter

24 – Connor Burnam and Connor Burnam

31 – Mike Carter and Beth Abbott

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

We did not have any visiting Rotarians or guests last week.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Liz Knox talked about 50 things every Rotarian should know and also how to describe Rotary in 3 words.

Announcements:

Dave Preble – Reminder that Cornhole is just around the corner. We need businesses and sponsors to help us out. We have collected \$750 so far. Solicitation letters are available. Speak to Dave if you need more. Dave would like everything in by our June 19 meeting.

Tina and Beth are meeting with Community Concepts this coming week to discuss May Day Play Day and Touch-a- Truck. We and Community Concepts were both pleased with the success we had this year and hope to continue combining the events next year.

Val Weston – we are at the end of our fiscal year and still have \$1,000.00 left in our budget for our International projects, so the board voted to donate \$500.00 to Friends of Kenya Rising and \$500 to the Ripple Effect.

President Beth announced that the Road Toll for the school food pantries was very successful, raising \$2,382.00.

PP George said that we would be serving lobster at Ron Morse's home in July. It will be a late afternoon event after a wedding being held there. (Sorry, I didn't get all the details).

Interact Advisor Tina told us that 13 seniors would be wearing Interact Sashes at graduation.

Last Week:

President Beth led us in the Pledge and the 4-Way Test. Mike Carter gave the blessing.

After breakfast, *PP and Foundation Chair George* presented 3 more members with their EREY stickers – Curtis, Dave P. and John.

Our program was a club assembly at which we discussed the announcements listed above and some other odds and ends.

50-50: Curtis's number came up but he didn't draw the yellow ball. There was \$115.00 in the pot.

Happy and Sad Dollars

Curtis had happy dollars to thank Tina for all she has done for the Interact Club. Clubs such as Interact have become even more important since the school district mandated community service for graduation.

Dave P. was happy that his grandson's graduation went well and that he is looking forward to his sky diving adventure with his grandson on June 15th.

Bob handed out some note paper, asking each member to write down 3 things we expect from a Club Service Director and to bring them in next week.

Patty had a Rotary story about a connection she made at the International Convention in Toronto, Ontario a few years ago and a second one about leasing her new Ford Edge from Connor at Ripley & Fletcher.

George had some happy and sad dollars – sad because his good friend, PDG Ron Drouin passed away last week, but he also had happy dollars for his new great-granddaughter.

Puns for the Week:

I recently saw someone stealing my socks. I was going to go after them but I got cold feet.

You look hurt, Mr. Neeson. Would you like a balloon? Why a balloon you ask? It's a heal Liam balloon.

The Rotary Theme for June is Rotary Fellowships:

What are Rotary Fellowships?

Organized internationally by at least 25 individuals from five countries with the purpose to further friendship and build community around a shared passion and interest. • Help participants make lasting friendships outside their own club, district, or country. • Welcome any interested individual, regardless of Rotary affiliation. • Provide fun and diverse ways of participating in Rotary International.

Birthdays and Anniversaries:

June Birthdays: Nancy (Dan) Allen – 6/4; Becky (Dave) Preble – 6/20; Lynne Schott – 6/21 or 6/22?

June Anniversaries: George & Patty Rice – 24 yrs. – 6/3; Bob & Lynne Schott – 53 yrs. – 6/5; Charlie & Tina Fox – 37 yrs. – 6/13, John & Shelley Griffith – 49 yrs. – 6/21

June Membership Anniversaries: Curtis Cole – 40 yrs. – 6/14

Make-Ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Grace Note Inn, Bethel

www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Stella's on the Square, 6 North High St., Bridgton

www.lakeregionrotary.org

Fryeburg – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg

www.fryeburgrotary.org

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 during the school year only.