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."

2017-2018 Officers:

Rotary International President: Ian Risely - District 7780 Governor: David Underhill - Oxford Hills Rotary President: Chris Weston - Pres. Elect: George Rice - Vice-pres.: Pat Cook - Treas.: Louise Campbell - Sec.: John Griffith - Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett - Past pres.: Joel Speakman - Club Service Chair: Chris Summers - Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston - Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

<u>Good Morning and Welcome:</u> Today is the 164th day of 2018. There are 201 days remaining in the year. Tally Decato is program chair this morning. Her guest speaker is Diane Acadipone whose topic will be "Art is Essential to a Growing Economy and Community." Our greeter is PP Joel Speakman.

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 207-461-7158 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.

6/20 - Mary Lou Burns and Bob Schott

6/24 – 6/27 – International Convention, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

6/27 – Open date and Lynne Schott. VP Pat Cook will be presiding as Chris, Val, George and Patty will be attending the International Convention in Toronto.

6/28 - Membership Committee meeting at the X-Vault, 5:30 PM

7/4 – July 4th – No meeting

7/9 – Board Meeting at Joel's Office at 5:30 PM. This is a week later than usual due to the 4th of July holiday.

7/11 – Changeover/Auction meeting and Patty Rice

7/13 - 7/14 - Auction!

7/18 - Club Assembly and Dave Preble

7/25 – George Campbell and Ron Morse

<u>Visiting Rotarians and guests:</u> Lois Strauss was once again and forever will be our visiting Rotarian from Estero, Florida. Our guests were the Interact Club students, all guests of Tina Fox: Taylor Haggerty, Madison Sheppard, William Carroll, Amanda Sappington, Alexis Laverdiere, Morgan Laverdiere and Logan Tripp.

<u>Rotary Moment:</u> Greeter Lois talked about the network of Rotarians all around the world and the fact that we are problem solvers.

Announcements:

<u>Paul Thornfeldt</u> – things are moving along with the auction. We have a car from Ripley & Fletcher Ford, waiting to hear from Bessey Motors. Miranda has done all of the posters, etc. John will have the list of businesses to solicit next (now this) week. Call Paul, Chris S. or Curtis if you have stuff to donate or know someone who does.

<u>PP/PDG/PE George Rice</u> – If you have tickets that you haven't sold and don't think you will, please turn them over to George as he can sell them. The drawing will be held next (now this) week.

<u>President Chris</u> – received an e-mail from Marty Helman congratulating the club for continuing our record of success in donating to the Foundation. So far this year, we have contributed \$7,000.00. We are also not far from achieving 100% participation in donating \$100 Every Year, Every Rotatian.

Last week:

President Chris led us in the Pledge and Four Way Test and Dan Allen led us in singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

Paul Thornfeldt brought us banners from the clubs he visited during his winter travels – Alpine, Texas, Temecula, California and Kingman, Arizona. The Alpine, Texas club had 4 members present while the Temecula, California club has 110 which made for an interesting contrast.

Peter Kaurup brought us a banner from the Downtown Ormand Beach, Florida club. This is a noon club with older members who did not want to get up early to attend a morning club, of which there is one, made up of primarily younger members.

Interact Advisor Tina Fox led off the program by saying a few words about each of the students present and gave them their certificates. Tina is excited about the club, is looking forward to next year and appreciates the Club's support.

Madison was a Student of the Month.....

Amanda loved rafting.....

Logan works at Dunkin' Donuts and just kind of floats around wherever a certain someone is.....

Billy is the club's treasurer, he enjoys rafting and has tire changing skills.....

Taylor is an awesome organizer and club secretary....

<u>Lexie</u> is the club's VP but is graduating this year, going to Orono for nursing. She already has her CNA and has over 300 community service hours during her high school career.....

Morgan loved RYLA and came away with many good ideas. She chaired sign-ups for Interact and went to every activity....

Congratulations to all of the Interactors!

There still being time, new member, Liz Knox, gave her classification talk. Liz is the Town Clerk for the Town of South Paris and as such is the "knower and keeper of all." Liz graduated from Buckfield High School. She has two sons, her oldest graduating from the magnet school in Limestone as second in his class. Her second son served in the Army. She enjoys gardening, kayaking and her 3 dogs.

As town clerk, she is considered "clerk of the works" and is responsible for the day to day operation of the clerk's office including vital statistics, fishery regulations, motor vehicle registrations and collecting

taxes of all kinds. She is also responsible for preservation of all historic documents pertaining to the town. She said "I take your complaints, take your money, all with a smile."

As far as Rotary is concerned, she said she didn't know much about Rotary until she joined, but what attracted her was Rotary's work with children, locally and all over the world, which she has found very interesting.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> — <u>"Someone"</u> thanked Joel for the continued use of his office for our board meetings. (Apologies, I did not write down who said this). <u>Peter</u> had a happy to be back dollar. <u>Bob</u> had a dollar for Taylor who did not make the rafting trip. Somehow, this morphed into a story about his visit to the Temple of the Sun God in Mexico where young women were sacrificed. <u>Lois</u> had a dollar for not wearing her Rotary pin. <u>Tina</u> was happy for the kids coming today and a dollar for her family as they had a great day celebrating her mother's life. <u>Stan</u> was happy for his daughter, Jaimie, who got Coach of the Year.

50/50 – Joel drew George's number but George did not draw the King of Clubs. There was \$94 in the pot that rolls over.

<u>June Birthdays</u> — Nancy (Dan) Allen — 6/4; David (Chris) Twitchell — 6/5; Louise Firth Campbell — 6/13; Peter Kaurup — 6/17; Becky Preble — 6/20; Lynne Schott — 6/22

June Anniversaries — George & Patty Rice — 6/3; Bob & Lynne Schott — 6/5; Joel & Heather Speakman — 6/8; Charlie & Tina Fox — 6/13; John & Shelley Griffith — 6/21.

June Membership Anniversaries - John Griffith - 12 yrs. - 6/7; Curtis Cole - 34 yrs. - 6/14

The 4-Way Test of the things we act, say or do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concened?
- 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 - 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL for 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