



Rotary

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
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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."

2021-2022 Officers:

Rotary International President: Shekhar Mehta, Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanager, India - District 7780
Governor: Dick Hall, Rotary Club of Portland – Oxford Hills Rotary Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers
– Pres. Elect: George Rice – Vice-president: Beth Abbott - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Lynne Schott – Club Service Chair: George Rice – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - 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 166th day of 2022. There are 199 days remaining in the year. Bob Schott is program chair this morning. He will be doing his own program on electric cars. Patty Rice 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 207-461-7158 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 paraphernalia.

June:

21 – OHCHS Teacher Appreciation Day cook-out, 11:00 PM – 1:00 PM.

22 – Lynne Schott and Val Weston

29 – Changeover and Dave Preble

July:

5 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town office, 5:30 PM. This is a Tuesday as our normal Monday meeting falls on July 4th.

6 – Classification Talk and Club Assembly

9 – Rotary Yard Sale, OHCHS

July cont'd

13 – Warren Spencer and Heidi Ortiz

20 – Chris Summers and Ron Morse

27 – Val Weston and Liz Knox

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Barry Roderick from Orlando, Florida, was our visiting Rotarian. There were no other guests.

Rotary Moment:

Lynne's Rotary Moment from two weeks ago was about RYLA, and that worldwide, there are 50,000 students that participate every year.

Bob's Rotary Moment from last week was a reminder that clubs that are alive and thriving are clubs that are more active in their communities. We have to be visible and active.

Announcements:

Paul – we don't have enough items to have an auction this year. Most of what has come in has been sold on-line. We have a couple of large items including a buffet table and a bunch of small stuff which includes a lot of Christmas items. Paul suggested that we mention to friends and family, and perhaps gather some items that way or maybe they could set up their own tables. It was also suggested that we open to the public to set up their own tables although selling spots for tables has not gone over well in the past.

Ron said that he had talked to John Emerson at Bessey's and they will be donating a car for us to auction/sell.

Tina has been contacted by the Oxford Fair to see if we had any interest in manning the entry booths, collecting entrance fees and taking care of parking. They would pay us \$6,000.00 to do so. It would be a major commitment as the fair is open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM for four days – September 14-15-16-17. It was suggested that maybe we handle the ticket booths only for a lesser sum. Something to think about but we need to let the Fair know as soon as we can.

Chris and John attended Class Night on June 8 and presented our scholarships to:

Kylie Dennison – David Hankins Memorial Scholarship
Colby Dillingham – David Paine Memorial Scholarship
Emily Cummings
Lucy Leonard

Aiden St. Laurent
Katherine Toohey
Elizabeth Dunn

OHCHS Senior Picnic:

Peter, Becky, Beth and Dan Hart worked on Wednesday afternoon, June 8, making sandwiches and putting goodies together for the picnic on Thursday.

The picnic was a great success, even though it basically poured all day long. We were able to use the large barn on the fairgrounds so there was plenty of room to spread out. The kids were very appreciative and we got lots of comments that they had a great time. We all owe a huge debt of gratitude to Tina Fox who put a lot of time in to make sure it was a success and worked until 10:30 PM the night before setting up the games and making sure everything was a go. I think those of us who were there also enjoyed helping out.

Lastly, George, Patty, Dave, John and Curtis cooked and served hamburgers and hot dogs for the seniors as they arrived at the high school after graduating on Saturday night. It was a beautiful evening after the earlier rain which had us concerned for a time. I had a great time and I'm sure everyone else did as well.

Last Week:

Co-President Chris led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. Glenn gave the blessing.

After breakfast and the announcements, Joel Speakman gave his classification talk. Joel was born in New York but his family moved to Virginia when he was two. He attended elementary school there and enjoyed swimming and Little League baseball. His family moved to Oklahoma when he was in 7th grade. He continued swimming there, got involved in cross country running and photography. As an older teen, he worked as a life guard in the community pool and worked at a greenhouse during the winter. He went to college in Illinois, graduating in 1991. He met his wife, Heather, when his fraternity helped freshmen move into the dorms. While in college, he ran a house painting business during the summer and actually employed some of his fraternity brothers. It was doing this that he overcame his fear of heights. After graduating, he took a job with Prudential Insurance, then in 1993, he went to work for Dupont, selling paint to distributors, first in Minneapolis and then Delaware. He and Heather moved to Maine in 2007 where he ultimately joined Edward Jones and built a successful career as an investment counselor.

🙄 Happy and Sad Dollars 🙄

Unfortunately, we did not have time for Happy Dollars.

50/50 – George drew his own number but did not draw the King of Clubs. There was just \$10 in the pot.

Pun for the Week:

Two silk worms raced until they ended up in a tie.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

June Birthdays – Nancy (Dan) Allen – 6/4; Peter Kaurup – 6/17; Cory (Heidi Ortiz) Stolzenburg – 6/8; Becky (Dave) Preble – 6/20; Lynne Schott – 6/21

June Wedding 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 – 16 yrs. – 6/7; Curtis Cole – 38 yrs. – 6/14

The 4-Way Test:

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.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