

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 171st day of 2024. There are 195 days remaining in the year. Bob Schott is program chair this morning and John Griffith is 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:

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

26 – Warren Spencer and Tina Fox

26 – Charitable Foundation Annual Meeting following our regular morning meeting.

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

Bruce Powell from Bethel was our visiting Rotarian. Kristen Filbeck was the guest of Jeff Noblin.

Announcements:

Dave Preble – Cornhole is on track for July 21. We have collected about \$1,000.00 in prizes so far; still need more, so keep asking. Solicitation letters are available. Speak to Dave if you need more. Dave would like all sponsorships in by today so we can get our advertising out with all of our supporting businesses listed.

Dave and Becky went to the Bethel club's 50th Anniversary last Saturday and had a great time. George and Patty were unable to go so they gave their tickets to Dave and Becky.

President Beth also went to the Bethel Anniversary; there might have been others but I didn't make note. Sorry!

Beth also talked with Dan Hart about a multi-club Sea Dogs event as we have done the last few years. Looks like the tentative date is a Sunday afternoon game on August 4th. More info to come.

The senior picnic went well and the kids had an awesome time. It was a great venue and fortunately it did not rain a lot, just some occasional showers. Thanks to Tina, Beth and John for their help in putting this together and cooking 160 hotdogs and an indefinite number of hamburgers.

We are all anxiously waiting to hear how Dave and his grandson made out skydiving last Saturday.

Last Week:

President Beth led us in the Pledge and the 4-Way Test. After breakfast, Beth turned the program over to Lynne Schott who introduced her guest speaker, Ann Speth.

Ann is a retired teacher who had the goal of riding her bicycle across the country but had put it off due to Covid. Now that most of that is behind us, she decided that 2023 was the year. She started out in Cornwall, Ontario, Canada and rode to Toronto, where she took a train to Jasper, Alberta. She then rode her bike to Vancouver and Seattle, then across Washington state, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin where she then took a ferry across Lake Michigan to Michigan. After crossing New York, Vermont and New Hampshire, she made it home to Maine after 5500 miles and two sets of tires. She was able to use bicycle trails and secondary roads most of the time. She also said she met a lot of interesting and hospitable people who offered her food and accommodations. It was a very interesting talk.

50-50: Jeff's guest, Kristen, drew Beth's number but Beth did not draw the yellow ball. There was \$125.00 in the pot.

☺Happy and Sad Dollars☹

We didn't have time to do Happy and Sad dollars.

Puns for the Week:

Most bald people still own a comb. They just can't part with it.

Your vet won't tell you this, but if your dog has a fever, give it some mustard. It's the best thing for a hot dog.

The Rotary Theme for June is Rotary Fellowships:

JOIN A FELLOWSHIP! Visit rotary.org/fellowships to see a full list of current Fellowships and build your community. Email us for more information at rotaryfellowships@rotary.org.

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.

