

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 178th day of 2024. There are 188 days remaining in the year. Warren Spencer is program chair this morning. Unfortunately, his guest speaker cancelled so he will be presenting his own program. Tina Fox 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:

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

Charlie Fox was the guest of his wife, Tina. There were no visiting Rotarians.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter John Griffith reminded us that while we all take the 4-Way Test and the Rotary motto of “Service Above Self to heart, we all need to take time for ourselves on occasion and perhaps indulge in our own “guilty pleasure” whatever that might be.

Announcements:

Dave Preble – we need more donations, so please keep asking. Please bring them in next week so the donors will be listed on the poster Dave is having done.

President Beth – thanks to the club members who helped cook for the high school teachers last week. Also, the senior picnic cost just under of \$2,500.00. However, our out of pocket cost was only \$106.00 with the company sponsors donating the rest.

Last Week:

President Beth led us in the Pledge and the 4-Way Test. Mike Carter gave the blessing. After breakfast, Beth turned the program over to Bob Schott who introduced his guest speaker, PE Dan Allen, who talked about his upcoming presidency.

Dan started by saying he was a bit apprehensive as he approaches the 2024-2025 year, in being able to do justice to the position. He wants to make his mark as president in doing good for the club. He wants to make decisions that will be beneficial to the club. He said he has a saying on his refrigerator – “What do I want and what am I going to do about it?” As a member of the OH Rotary club, “What do you want for the club?” Without action, nothing happens.

50-50: Tally drew Charlie Fox’s number but Charlie did not draw the yellow ball. There was \$138.00 in the pot.

😊Happy and Sad Dollars😊

Bob had happy dollars for his enthusiastic guest speaker. He was also happy to be able to go on a 14.8 mile bike ride with last week's guest speaker, Ann Speth, after our meeting.

Dave P. was happy to have successfully completed his sky dive with his grandson last Saturday in Connecticut. They jumped out at 14,000 ft., did a 9,000 ft. free fall before deploying the parachutes for the last 5,000 ft. Dave was also happy to have only 30 hours left to full retirement.

Dan had a happy \$10.00 that he hadn't pissed off anyone yet today.

Puns for the Week:

I'm sad to hear that the inventor of "auto-correct" has passed away. His funnel is tomato.

I once knew a woman who would only date men taller than she was, but I told her it's better to have loved a short man to have never loved a tall.

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.

