

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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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."

2017-2018 Officers:

Rotary International President: Ian Risely - District 7780 Governor: David Underhill – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Christopher Weston – Pres. Elect: George Rice – Vice-pres.: Pat Cook – Treas.: Rachel Brown – 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: Lynne Schott – Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Welcome! Today is the 193rd day of 2017. There are 172 days remaining in the year. We will be having an assembly and discussing final preparations for the auction this coming weekend. Joel was scheduled to be greeter but is unable to be with us. In his place, he has asked Frank Shorey to take his place, so beware. You never know with Frank.

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 207-743-6129 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.

7/15 – AUCTION DAY!

7/19 – Tally Decato and Bob Schott

7/20 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30PM-6:00PM. We need 2 people to help out.

7/26 – Louise Firth-Campbell and Lynne Schott

7/31 – August Board meeting at Joel's office in South Paris at 5:30 PM.

8/2 – Tina Fox and Patty Rice

8/9 – Beth Garza and George Rice

8/16 – Lobster Prep Meeting and Kim Preble

8/19 – LOBSTER & STEAK FEST, OHCHS, 3:00PM-6:00PM

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: Natalie Donais, from the Rotary Club of Suffield, CT, was our visiting Rotarian and guest of Ron Morse. Kellie Campbell was the guest of George and Louise Campbell.

Errors and omissions – With apologies to PP Chris Twitchell, I neglected to mention in last week's Reader that we presented Chris with her Paul Harris Fellow award at our Rotarian of the Year dinner a couple of weeks ago. It has long been our tradition to give our outgoing presidents a Paul Harris Fellow but for some reason, hers was overlooked. Thank you for your service, Chris. We appreciate all that you have done for the club.

Announcements:

President Chris W. – I did not quite catch all of the announcement, but District 7780 is embarking on a tree planting project and we need someone to head up a committee for our club to participate. If anyone is interested in working on this project, please speak to Chris.

Starting this month, board meetings will be held in Val's old real estate office building on Main St. across from Lee Auto.

Beth – announced that we have achieved 100% participation in the EYER program once again. Congratulations everyone!

We cannot let our guard down as polio has made some inroads in Syria, which with the war, makes it difficult to get kids inoculated.

With these announcements, Beth turned her folder over to George Rice who is Foundation Chair for 2017-2018. Beth was happy; George looked perplexed!

Paul – preparations for the auction are coming along, thanks to 12 pick-up truck loads of items we have received in the last couple of weeks. 10 of those loads came from one place. Paul has sold a lot of the larger items on Craig's List. Please be aware that we will need a lot of help on Friday, July 14, not only to move things from their storage places, but also to sort them in preparation for Saturday. We hope to put the tents up after this morning's meeting and the boy scouts will once again camp out under the tents on Friday night to keep an eye on the goods.

Last Week:

President Chris asked American Legion member Ed Lyons to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Dan Allen led us in singing our Auction song (which was to the tune of Jingle Bells) and Glenn Huntley offered the blessing.

Lois Strauss introduced our speaker, Sarah Carter, from Healthy Oxford Hills. Sarah is the daughter of past member, Dave Carter and Honorary Member, Anne Carter. Sarah told us about her early back ground and education and how she eventually decided to come back to the Oxford Hills. Sarah started working with the SNAP program, helping people with nutrition, grocery shopping and cooking – how to eat and eat well. Her role has now expanded such that she works with everyone, not just SNAP clients on nutrition and every day activities that affect health.

😊 **Happy Dollars** 😊 - Lois was happy that Sarah made it to the meeting and was happy that Herb's youngest son and family are here for a visit. Dave P. had happy birthday dollars for Becky and the kids who have all had birthdays the last couple of weeks. Lynne was happy for her recent family birthdays as well. Tina announced that she had recent surgery and that everything went well. She has to be on a liquid diet for a while longer, but is feeling much better. Joel was happy to be back among the general population once again and was happy to donate some furniture to the auction. Frank said he was happy for his perfect body – which for someone as OLD as he is.....

50/50 – Ed Lyons drew John’s ticket, then John drew the Queen of Hearts. There was \$403 in the pot. One of these days, someone is going to draw that King of Clubs.

JULY Birthdays – Greg (Susan) Graves – 7/7; Dan Hart – 7/8; Glenn Huntley – 7/8; Dave Preble – 7/9.

JULY Anniversaries – Paul & Dawne Thornfeldt – 7/1

JULY Membership Anniversaries: Val Weston – 30 yrs. – 7/22

A Groaner (can’t be serious all the time):

A hungry lion roamed through the jungle looking for his next meal when he came upon two men. One man was sitting under a tree reading a book; the other man was writing in a notebook. The lion quickly pounced on the man reading the book and devoured him. Even the king of the jungle knows that readers digest and writers cramp.

The 4-Way Test
Of the things we think, say or do:

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

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