

# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

Wednesday, July 13, 2016
The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
Norway, ME 04268
Rotary Theme for 2016-2017:
"Rotary Serving Humanity"

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."

#### 2016-2017 Officers:

Rotary International President: John Germ - District 7780 Governor: Marge Barker - Oxford Hills Rotary President: Joel Speakman - Pres. Elect: Chris Weston - Vice-pres.: George Rice - Treas.: Pat Cook - Sec.: John Griffith - Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett - Past pres.: Chris Summers - Club Service Chair: Ron Morse - Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Dan Allen - International Service Chair: Beth Abbott - Youth Service Chair: Kim Preble

**Home Club of PDG George Rice** 

<u>Welcome!</u> Today is the 193rd day of 2016. There are 173 days remaining in the year. Chris Weston is program chair this week and Bob Schott is greeter. Our guest speaker is Isabel from a group of home schoolers who visited Kisumu, Kenya with Alice Sammon. Alice is founder of Ripples, a non-profit that has been supporting the Korando Education Center for almost 10 years.

**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.

7/20 – Val Weston and Lynne Schott

7/27 – Beth Abbott and Patty Rice. Beth's guest speaker is AG Cathy Sullivan from the Bridgton-Lake Region Club who will be talking about the club's trip to the Dominican Republic.

8/1 – Board meeting at 5:30 at Edward Jones in South Paris

8/3 – Dan Allen and George Rice

8/10 - Anderson-Staples Post and Kim Preble

8/17 - Lobster & Steak Fest meeting and Dave Preble

8/20 - Lobster & Steak Fest at OHCHS

<u>Visiting Rotarians and Guests:</u> We had one visiting Rotarian, PDG Jim Lilley from Gloucester TWP, New Jersey. It was great to see Jim again after such a long time. Our guests were Bill Guindon, guest of Chris Summers and Matt Cook, guest of Tally Decato.

### Last Week:

<u>President Joel</u> thanked everyone for a great change-over meeting. He presented the club with a new flag for the year with President Germ's new theme – 'Rotary Serving Humanity' – and he handed out new theme pins.

Joel presented Lynne Schott with an award for her Interact Service. Instead of a plaque, we gave her a stand alone glass award that was called "Waterfall". It was inscribed: "Presented to Lynne Schott, Interact Advisor, 2001-2016, with deep appreciation for your unselfish commitment to our club and your untiring leadership to the OHCHS Interact Club."

Joel also inducted our newest member, Trish Logan. Trish is our 4<sup>th</sup> new member in 2 months. We are very pleased and happy that she decided to join us. Welcome, Trish, to our club and the family of Rotary.

<u>Paul Thornfeldt</u> told us about his trip to the Dominican Republic and Adaica's wedding. Before the wedding, he attended a Rotary meeting in Adaica's home town which is in the western part of the country on the border with Haiti. He told us he had never seen as welcoming group as this club with hugs and kisses from everyone. They thanked us over and over for all of the things Rotary has done in their country. It was really important to them. Paul said the wedding was wonderful and Adaica and her groom were very happy Paul and Dawne were able to attend.

The rest of our meeting dealt with the auction — which is now history for 2016. We had a very busy four days, Wednesday through Saturday setting tents, tables and chairs; moving items from the storage trailer and sorting on Friday; then the auction on Saturday. Although we did not get near as much for the cars as we did last year, we had many other good items that hopefully made up the difference. Selling box lots prior to the main auction seemed to work well and we had just a few remaining items that we left on one of the tables with a "Free" sign on them — so hopefully they disappeared by the end of the weekend. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to Paul Thornfeldt who put everything together and to Dan Allen for his auctioning talents. Well done!

July Birthdays: Greg (Susan) Graves - 7/7; Dan Hart - 7/8; Glenn Huntley - 7/8; Dave Preble - 7/9

<u>July Anniversaries:</u> Paul & Dawne Thornfeldt – 7/1; Dave & Becky Preble – 7/26; Bruce & Pat Cook – 7/27

July Membership Anniversaries: - Deb Harris – 1 yr – 7/22

Remember that we can order Rotary clothing directly from Companycasuals.com/thisisrotary

### Thought for the week:

"For beautiful eyes, look for the good in others; for beautiful lips, speak only words of kindness; and for poise, walk with the knowledge that you are never alone."

~ Audrey Hepburn ~

## The Four 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 BETTER 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.orgth

**River Valley** – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org

Interact – Thursday, 2:30 PM, Room A200, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School

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