



# Rotary

## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills  
PO Box 14  
Norway, ME 04268

**Wednesday, July 31, 2024**

**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."

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### 2024-2025 Officers:

Rotary International President: Stephanie A. Urchick, Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania - District 7780  
Governor: Robert McKenzie, Rotary Club of Kennebunk, ME – Oxford Hills Rotary President – Dan Allen –  
President-Elect: Jeff Noblin – Vice-president: Connor Burnam - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt.  
At Arms: Stan Brett – Past President: Beth Abbott – Club Service Chair: Bob Schott – Vocational Service Chair: Jeff  
Noblin - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair  
and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

### Home Club of PDG George Rice

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**Welcome!** Today is the 212th day of 2024. There are 154 days remaining in the year. Mike Carter is program chair and Beth Abbott 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](mailto: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.

### August:

**5 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town office, 5:00 PM.**

**7 – Club Assembly and Val Weston**

**14 – Curtis Cole and Warren Spencer**

**21 – Tally Decato and Bob Schott**

**28 – Tina Fox and Lynne Schott**

### Visiting Rotarians and Guests

We did not have any guests or visiting Rotarians.

### **Rotary Moment:**

Greeter Connor Burnam told us he is going on two years as a member and he thanked us for welcoming him into the club.

### **Announcements:**

**George Rice:** We had a successful Lobsters for Scholars last weekend and that we have another coming up this (now last) weekend.

**Beth Abbott:** The Sea Dogs outing for August 4<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled. The wife of one of the Bethel club's members passed away suddenly and her memorial service has been scheduled for that same day.

**Dave Preble:** The Cornhole Tournament went well but we just didn't have the turnout. The venue was great, the weather was great but we only had 16 players for 8 teams and that was after Dave Knox and Jeff Noblin entered as a team named "The Cornhole Suckers." The Country Club didn't charge us, so in turn, we are going to let them use a tent for an event free of charge.

Speaking of tents, **Stan and Curtis** are working with Bear Mountain Inn in Waterford about their using our 20x20 tent for 10 weeks for \$125.00 per week.

### **Last Week:**

In the absence of President Dan who had hip replacement surgery, PE Jeff Noblin ran the meeting. He led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-Way Test. Curtis gave the invocation.

After the announcements, Jeff handed the podium over to program chair, Connor Burnam. Connor gave a brief talk about his career and how he came to be in sales at Ripley & Fletcher Ford. He has been there for two years now, after stints at Great Falls Marketing, Prompto, Bill Dodge Hyundai and Linex – which brought him to Ripley & Fletcher. Connor then took questions from members about electric vehicles.

**50-50:** Tally drew Liz's number, but Liz didn't draw the yellow ball. There was \$188 in the pot.

## 😊Happy and Sad Dollars😊

**Tina Fox** said she had a great time in Cape Cod with her grandkids and family.

**Val Weston** told us that in a couple of days, she will have been a member of this club for 37 years.

**Dave Preble** was happy that he and Becky will be celebrating their 38<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Warren Sp**encer was also happy for his and Susan's 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary on July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## **Pun for the Week:**

What do you call an 80 year old cheerleader? "Old Yeller"

I heard there is a beautiful tower in Paris. It's a real eye-full.

## **The Rotary theme for August is Membership and New Club Development:**

Rotary is 1.4 million passionate individuals in 46,000+ clubs worldwide. We are both an international organization and a local community leader. Membership in a Rotary or Rotaract club is by invitation only.

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries:**

**July Birthdays:** Frank Shorey – 7/2; Dave Preble – 7/9; Connie Shorey – 7/17.

**July Anniversaries:** Mike & Jo Carter – 45 yrs. – 7/3; Warren & Susan Spencer – 41 yrs. – 7/23; Dave & Becky Preble – 38 yrs. – 7/26

**July Membership Anniversaries:** Frank Shorey – 40 yrs. – 7/1; Val Weston – 37 yrs. – 7/22

### **Make-Ups:**

**Bethel** – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Grace Note Inn, Bethel

[www.bethelrotary.org](http://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](http://www.lakeregionrotary.org)

**Fryeburg** – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg

[www.fryeburgrotary.org](http://www.fryeburgrotary.org)

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

[www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org](http://www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org)

**Interact** – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School during the school year only.