

Rotary



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."

2018-2019 Officers:

Rotary International President: Mark D. Maloney, Rotary Club of Decatur, Alabama - District 7780 Governor: Andrew Glazier, Rotary Club of Kittery – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Pat Cook – Pres. Elect: Lynne Schott – Vice-pres.: to be determined – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: George Rice – Club Service Chair: Chris Summers – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Good morning and Welcome! Today is the 184th day of 2019. There are 181 days remaining in the year. This morning is a Club Assembly and Auction meeting. Glenn Huntley is greeter.

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 207-461-7158 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.

July:

1 – Board Meeting at Deering Memorial Community Center in South Paris, 5:30 PM.

3 – Club Assembly and Auction Meeting and Glenn Huntley

10 – District Governor Andy Glazier and Dan Hart

13 – Annual Auction at OHCHS!

17 – Tally Decato and John Griffith

18 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM.

24 – John Griffith and Tina Fox

31 – Tina Fox and Abbie Earle

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida was our only visiting Rotarian. We did not have a sign-in sheet for guests that I am aware of and they were introduced before it dawned on me that I should have written them down.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Becky Kaurup asked those who brought guests to introduce them, then she had 4 questions for us:

1. Which one of us in the club has been a member the longest and what year did they start?
2. Who is the current District Governor and who is the District Governor for the coming Rotary year?
3. Who is the current RI President and who is the RI President next year?
4. Who has the most years of Rotary service?

Announcements:

AG Chris Summers – tickets for the Ray Brown Memorial Dance for Special Olympics are available and will be sold at the door the night of the dance – 8:00 PM, Saturday, June 29 at the South Paris Legion Hall. Considering all that seems to be going on at this time of year, the Dance committee is considering moving the dance back to March when there is less competition of events.

Dan Hart – only 4 more of us turned in the Alternate meeting survey, so we are up to 12 responses. The membership committee would really like more responses – they need our feedback!

President George – Thanks to everyone who helped set up and take down tents for the District Conference in Cape Elizabeth. There were 16 Rotarians from Oxford Hills who attended or helped with the set-up and take down, which represents 50% of the membership. Good job!

Ron Morse - told us that this year was the 90th Anniversary of Norway Country Club. To celebrate, they are hosting a dinner and dance the evening of July 13 at a cost of \$20 per person. Please check with the Country Club if you would like to attend.

Last Week:

President George led us in the Pledge and 4 Way Test (from memory). Dan Allen led us in singing “My Country ‘tis of Thee” and Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

After the announcements, we had a wonderful dinner with a choice of beef tips, roast pork and baked haddock, mashed potato, summer vegetables, salad, rolls and dessert. President George the spoke about his year as president of the club. He apologized for nagging all year about keeping track of our volunteer time and stressed the importance of such to RI. For the 2017-2018 year, Rotarians, worldwide, volunteered 111,000,000 total hours. For this Rotary year, Oxford Hills Rotarians volunteered 1,990 total hours, which is about 62 hours per member per year, which came to a value of \$48,000.00 of goods and services. George then thanked everyone for everything they did during the year and he recognized each member of the board of directors.

George then turned the gavel over to Incoming President Pat Cook who presented George with his name on the Presidential plaque that we keep in the display case at the church and his President's gavel plaque, thanking George for his service to Rotary and our club.

Pat then said a few words and brought our attention to the Rotarian Code of Conduct, which is less known than the 4 Way Test, but just as important. It can be found in the Rotarian magazine and other Rotary literature.

 Happy Dollars : Save until July 3rd meeting.

50/50: No drawing this week.

July Birthdays – Frank Shorey – 7/2; Becky Kaurup – 7/7; Dan Hart – 7/8; Glenn Huntley – 7/8; Dave Preble – 7/9; Connie (Frank) Shorey – 7/17.

July Wedding Anniversaries – Paul & Dawne Thornfeldt – 7/1; Dave & Becky Preble – 7/26; Pat & Bruce Cook – 7/27.

July Membership Anniversaries – Frank Shorey – 35 years – 7/1; Val Weston – 32 years – 7/22

By the Numbers:

7.5 = The average per capita gallons per year of ice cream consumed in New Zealand, which boasts the greatest per capita consumption in the world. The United States is second at 5.5 gallons and Australia the third at 4.8 gallons.

Fun Fact – July

Although six months has passed since New Year's Day, the first of July is not the mid-point of the year. The middle day of a non-leap year is the second of July, the 183rd day, with 182 days before it and 182 after it.

Remember the Four-Way Test

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4. Is it 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