

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."

2017-2018 Officers:

Rotary International President: Barry Rassin - District 7780 Governor: John LoBosco – Oxford Hills Rotary President: George Rice – Pres. Elect: Pat Cook – Vice-pres.: Lynne Schott – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Chris Weston – Club Service Chair: Chris Summers – Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of President and PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 227th day of 2018. There are 138 days remaining in the year. This morning we are having a Club Assembly and final Lobster & Steak Fest meeting. Dan Hart is our 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.

8/16 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. Dan Hart and Chris Summers are on it.

8/18 – Lobster & Steak Fest, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, all day

8/19 – Rotary at the Sea Dogs – check the District website for tickets and more info

8/22 – Pat Cook and Glenn Huntley

8/27 – Board Meeting at Deering Memorial Community Cener, South Paris, at 5:30 PM

8/29 – Evening Social and Tina Fox

9/5 – Dan Hart and Tally Decato

9/12 – Club Assembly and Pat Cook

9/19 – Tina Fox and Curtis Cole

9/20 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM with Pat Cook and John Griffith

9/20 – 9/22 Rotary Zone 24-32 Conference, Montreal, PQ, Canada

Visiting Rotarians and quests: Visiting from the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary were DG John LoBosco and First Lady Sue LoBosco. Visiting from Washington TWP, NJ, was Dennis King. Phyllis Summers and Abbey Earle were the guests of AG Chris Summers.

Rotary Moment: Greeter John Griffith told us that he also purchased a copy of “the Rotary Book of Readings”, the same one that Liz Knox purchased and read from last week. John found two quotes that he thought highlighted “Be the Inspiration”

“The greatest reward for doing is the opportunity to do more.” ~ Jonas Salk ~

“Where there is discord, may we bring harmony. Where there is error, may we bring truth. Where there is doubt, may we bring faith. Where there is despair, may we bring hope.” ~ Margaret Thatcher ~

Announcements:

President George – Lobster & Steak Fest – Next Wednesday (now this Wednesday) is the deadline for handing in Lobster & Steak tickets as we must place our food order after the meeting.

Lobsters for Scholars took place last Saturday, August 4th at Sara Glynn’s. Thanks to Beth, Becky and Tina for helping out.

We still need to keep track of our volunteer hours, so don’t forget to write them down in the log book. Anything we do for Rotary outside of our regular weekly meeting counts and DG LoBosco also said that if we wear a Rotary pin to any other volunteer event, it counts as well.

Beth – We distributed the Hannaford gift cards on Thursday, August 2nd at Hannaford in Oxford. By all accounts, it was a big success and gratefully appreciated by the recipients. Everyone that participated had a story to tell.

Stan – Last Thursday, August 9th, we set two tents in Oxford for Post 112’s weekend event. Then on Friday, we set up two tents in downtown Norway for the Food Festival and another tent for a family reunion on Penn Rd., also in Norway. George, Chris W. and Curtis helped Stan take down the Norway tents on Sunday and Monday, John helped Stan take down the tents in Oxford. Thanks to all who helped.

Last Week:

President George Rice led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-Way Test. Dan Allen led us in singing “God Bless Our Rotary” and Curtis Cole gave the blessing. We also sang our “Welcome Song” to our guests.

District Governor John LoBosco was our guest speaker. John is a member and past president of the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary. He told us how he became a Rotarian in 2005. He was his club’s membership chair for 6 years and was an Assistant Governor for 3 years. He worked on Visioning, becoming a facilitator, and in developing strategic plans for clubs. In this way, he found himself on the track to become District Governor. DG John broke his talk down into 4 areas – membership, collaboration, leadership and succession planning. Within these areas, he laid out some specific goals that he would like to see clubs become involved in such as each club building and maintaining one little “Free Library”, sharing in an international project, encouraging and building up RYLA, supporting the

Foundation and supporting other clubs in the district as well as working with other non-profit organizations such as the Lions or Kiwanis.

He also told us that the 2019 District Conference was going to be a little different. He is planning to have it at Fort Williams Park in Cape Elizabeth and that it will be a free family fun day. The date is June 21 and 22. Stay tuned as there will be more to come on this event.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊 – Patty had happy dollars for DG John and his wife, Sue, and also for her and George taking a couple of days off to go to the Jimmy Buffet concert in Boston over the weekend. AG Chris S. had happy dollars for DG John and Sue as well, and that his daughter finally got engaged after 7 years. Beth had a happy dollar for the distribution of the Hannaford gift cards and how well it went. Tina had a great week camping with her daughter and grandkids. Also, her second daughter is getting married this weekend. She also gave us a bit more information about hosting the Interact District Conference next March. DG John had a happy dollar for our hospitality as did First Lady Sue.

50/50 – Guest Abbey Earle drew Pat Cook’s number but Pat drew the Ace of Hearts. So Sorry! There was \$194 in the pot.

August Birthdays – Mary Lou Burns – 8/11; Chris Summers – 8/17; Charlie (Tina) Fox – 8/27

August Anniversaries – None listed

August Membership Anniversaries – American Legion Post 112 – 3 yrs. – 8/26

Thought for the Week:

“Do what you can with what you have where you are.”

~ Teddy Roosevelt ~

The Rotary Code of Conduct

As a Rotarian, I will:

- 1) Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- 2) Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
- 3) Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs and improve people’s quality of life in my community and the world
- 4) Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians

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