

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
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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.”

2023-2024 Officers:

Rotary International President: R. Gordon R. McNally, Rotary Club of South Queensbury, Scotland - District 7780 Governor: Marion Cheney, Rotary Club of Dover, NH – Oxford Hills Rotary President – Beth Abbott – President-Elect: Dan Allen – Vice-president: Vacant - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past President: George Rice – Club Service Chair: Vacant – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Vacant - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 232nd day of 2023. There are 123 days remaining in the year. PP George Rice is program chair this morning. His guest speaker is PDG of District 7430 and now Fryeburg Club member, Ron Smith. Jeff Noblin is greeter.

Calendar: *The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter.* Please let Reader editor John Griffith 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 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 paraphernalia.

September:

3 – Cornhole Tournament at Ripley & Fletcher, Main St., South Paris.

5 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:00 PM, meeting Tuesday as Monday the 4th is

Labor Day.

6 – Classification Talk and Ron Morse

13 – Patty Rice and Liz Knox

20 – Lynne Schott and Glenn Huntley

27 – Bob Schott and Dan Hart

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida was our only visiting Rotarian. Her husband, Bob Wilgosz, was her guest. Frank Shorey, back in Florida, joined us on Zoom..

Rotary Moment:

Greeter Dave Preble talked about an article in the August issue of Rotary magazine on “Membership Make-over.” Some of the points in the article were to create the club you crave; plan projects that have a punch. Remember to make good connections and don’t forget to have fun.

Announcements:

Stan thanked Curtis and his team – Bob, Warren, George, Tina and Charlie - for setting up some tents while he was away last weekend.

Tina passed around a sign-up sheet for the Fair parking next month. She has divided the days into 4-hour time slots. Wednesday and Thursday are the quieter days; Friday and Saturday being heavier traffic days so we will need more help at the admission gates.

I understand that Alisha Berry is going to take over recording our monthly volunteer hours from PP George, but I don’t have info on when that change will take place. I assume that if that has happened and you send your hours to George, he will forward them to Alisha.

Last Week:

President Beth led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. PE Dan Allen was absent so we did not sing. Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

For our program, after asking two possible speakers who could not make it, Dave gave us an update on the Cornhole Tournament and presented a program about the rules of the game. He had two boards set up and told us how scoring works and so on. He then asked for volunteers to come up and toss some bags, so George, Patty, Liz and David played while Dave explained the scoring by using their shots as an example. It was pretty interesting as many of us did not know how the scoring worked.

50-50: Phyllis Summers drew Dan H.’s number, but he drew the 3 of Spades. . There was \$369.00 in the pot.

 Happy and Sad Dollars 

Patty told us that she spoke with Becky Kaurup and that she and Peter were settling in and enjoying their new home in Virginia. Peter has joined some organizations and is staying busy.

Chris said that he visited Paul and Dawne Thornfeldt and that they are headed to British Columbia to help Dawn’s mother who fell and was in the hospital.

A Fun Fact:

M&M's, the candy with the chocolate center that won't melt in your hand, got its name from the last names of its founders. Forrest Mars, Sr., of the Mars Candy Company, struck a deal with Bruce Murrie, son of Hershey president William Murrie, to develop the hard-shelled chocolate candy in 1941.

And we can't go without a Pun:

"I've never hunted bear, but I have fished in shorts.

Birthdays and Anniversaries:

September Birthdays: Jo (Mike) Carter – 9/3

September Anniversaries: Stan & Ann Marie Brett – 9/20; Chris & Val Weston – 9/23

September Membership Anniversaries: Beth Abbott – 21 yrs. – 9/11; Jeff Noblin – 22 yrs. – 9/11;
Patty Rice – 31 yrs. – 9/23

Make-Ups:

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

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

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 during the school year only.