

# 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."

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## 2017-2018 Officers:

Rotary International President: Ian Risely - District 7780 Governor: David Underhill – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Chris Weston – Pres. Elect: George Rice – Vice-pres.: Pat Cook – Treas.: Louise Campbell – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Joel Speakman – 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 PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

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**Welcome to our evening social meeting!** Today is the 256th day of 2017. There are 109 days remaining in the year. Susan Graves is unable to be with us but her guest speaker is Shannon Moxcey. John Griffith 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 207-743-6129 or 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's paraphernalia.

9/20 – John Griffith and Susan Graves. John's guest speaker will be the new Norway Town Manager, Dennis Lajoie.

9/21 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

9/27 – Dan Hart and Tina Fox

10/2 – October Board Meeting at Joel's office, 5:30 PM

10/4 – Club Assembly and Louise Campbell

10/11 – Glenn Huntley and Tally Decato

10/18 – Ron Morse and Pat Cook

10/19 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

10/25 – Dave Preble and Curtis Cole

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** We had two visiting Rotarian, Peter Kaurup from Crescent City, Florida and our formerly own Frank Shorey (Ray's Frankie) from Murdock Rotary in Port Charlotte, Florida. Becky Kaurup was the guest of Peter Kaurup.

## Last week:

**President Chris** led us in the pledge and reading the Four-Way Test. Dan Allen led us in singing the second verse and chorus of Home on the Range. Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

The first announcement from President Chris was that Rachel Brown has resigned from the club. Due to a promotion and more job responsibilities, she felt that she would not have the time to participate in the manner that she would like. Louise Campbell has agreed to assume the post of treasurer. Thank you for stepping in, Louise.

At its last meeting, the board decided that we would “pass the hat” for Texas at our meeting for two weeks. We did so last week and raised nearly \$400. The board agreed that the club would match the amount donated up to \$1000. We can also donate through the Foundation which has set up a mechanism for doing so. A copy of that e-mail was in last week’s Reader.

George Rice – proposed an idea for a new fund raiser that came from the Lobster & Steak Fest road show at the Veteran’s Home. As we are looking to increase the number of scholarships that we give out as well as the dollar amount (per Visioning), George is proposing that we sell raffle tickets with the winner receiving a Lobster Fest for 10-12 people at a site of their choosing within 50 miles of Norway/South Paris. The ticket price would be \$30 and we would sell a maximum of 50 tickets. We would need four Rotarians to put on the event and we could make \$1000-\$1500 for each. We would provide and cook Lobster, corn, fries, clams, watermelon and drink and would set the food out for self-service. We also could go out to other clubs in the District and perhaps hire ourselves out to local businesses for employee gatherings.

Stan Brett – as the Lions Club used to collect old eye glasses, the question of what to do with them has come to us. We do not collect them but there are different places in area towns where they can be dropped off. Dr. Farmer has a collection box as does Hannaford.

We have the last scheduled tent rental sets coming up on September 15 and September 22. If you can help, please let Stan know.

Tina Fox – Interact will be collecting hats, mittens, socks, etc. for the five Head Start centers in the school district. It’s no longer called Head Start but we couldn’t think of the name.

AG Chris Summers – more discussion about what and how to keep track of our volunteer hours. It has been decided that this is too much for Stan to keep track of so we will have a binder with a page for each of us to put down our “time” each week. President Chris will monitor and prepare his report to the DG from this.

Per our Visioning work, there will be a Club Size and Composition meeting on Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM. Place to be announced next (this) week.

New Member – at the conclusion of our meeting, President Chris inducted our newest member, Becky Kaurup. Becky and her husband, Peter, have been regular visitors all summer. They currently reside in Crescent City, Florida, where Peter is a member of Rotary. However, their home is for sale and they intend to move to the Oxford Hills next summer at which time, Peter intends to transfer his membership to OH. In the meantime, Becky can fulfill her obligations at Rotary in Crescent City. Congratulations, Becky! We are very glad to have you as a member and look forward to welcoming both you and Peter when you return from Florida next year.

 **Happy Dollars**  - We ran out of time, so for the second week in a row, there were no happy dollars.

**50/50!** – **We had a winner! Dave Preble drew Louise Campbell’s number and Louise drew the King of Clubs from the deck. Louise is now \$512 richer. Congratulations!**

**September Birthdays** – Dawne Wilton – 9/6; Rachel Brown – 9/18; Chris Twitchell – 9/24; Paul Thornfeldt – 9/26

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

**September Membership Anniversaries:** Mary Lou Burns – 26 yrs. – 9/4; Beth Abbott – 15 yrs. – 9/11; Patty Rice – 25 yrs. – 9/23

### **Thought for the Week:**

“Sometimes when I’m talking, my words can’t keep up with my thoughts. I wonder why we think faster than we speak. Probably so we can think twice.”

~Bill Watterson~

### **The 4-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](http://www.bethelrotary.org)

**Bridgton-Lake Region** – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Community Center, 15 Depot 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

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