



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."

2022-2023 Officers:

Rotary International President: Jennifer Jones, Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Windsor, Ontario, Canada - District 7780 Governor: Claudia Frost, Rotary Club of Brunswick – Oxford Hills Rotary President – George Rice – President-Elect: Beth Abbott – Vice-president: Vacant - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Club Service Chair: Paul Thornfeldt – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Peter Kaurup - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice

Welcome! Today is the 257th day of 2022. There are 108 days remaining in the year. John Griffith is program chair this week. His guest speaker is Allyson Jones Webb, MA, MPH, author of Recovery Allies: How to Support Addiction Recovery and Build Recovery-Friendly Communities. Dan Allen is scheduled to be greeter.

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

September:

14-17 – Parking and ticket taking at the Oxford County Fair. Be sure to check the sign-up sheet for your scheduled time.

19 – Bethel Club Social with District Governor Claudia Frost.

21 – Open meeting and Beth Abbott

28 – Dictionary Project and Val Weston

October:

3 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:00 PM.

5 – Classification Talk and Paul Thornfeldt

12 – Glenn Huntley and Chris Summers

16 – Road Toll by the Tennis Courts – 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

19 – Dan Hart and Warren Spencer

24 - Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office at 5:30 PM, moved up a week due to Halloween.

26 – District Governor Claudia Frost and Bob Schott

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Due to my late attending on Zoom, I did not hear whether or not there were any guests or visiting Rotarians.

Announcements:

Dave Preble – We are in need of more Cornhole boards for the Tournament at the Fair on September 17. If anyone has any or knows of a board or two we might be able to borrow, please speak to Dave.

Tina Fox – Fair parking is coming up next week. If you cannot keep the time you signed up for, please let Tina know as soon as possible. We still have open spots, especially on Saturday, and do not want to have anyone working two or three slots in one day.

Peter Kaurup – the Bethel Club is having a social with DG Claudia Frost on September 19 and they have invited us to attend as well. Please speak to Peter for more info or if you wish to attend.

The food bank at the UU Church in Norway is looking for help on Tuesday mornings unloading donations and getting them ready for distribution on Wednesday morning. If you can help on Tuesday, plan to be at the church around 10:00 AM.

Also, the Fryeburg Club is looking for help with their Baked Potato booth at the Fryeburg Fair. If you are interested in helping them out, got to their Facebook page and send a message. Right now, they are just trying to get a group together and will put a schedule together later. The Fair is from October 2 – 9.

President George – passed out a survey sheet to ask member's opinions on continuing with the Evening Social meeting. We continue to have deficits for those meetings and have been running light on our regular morning meetings as well which is a continuing drain on our treasury. The survey will be available this week as well. Please be sure to complete the survey and get it to George. Your opinion matters to the board.

Lastly, while checking the District 7780 website for information, I saw an announcement that Dr. Susan Black from the Brunswick club, who spoke to us about her fund raising efforts for an ambulance in Burundi, which we made a donation to, passed away on September 5th. There is an attachment to her obituary with that announcement.

Last Week:

PP Chris Summers could no longer avoid giving his classification talk. He divided his life into different sections and gave the club the opportunity to vote on which part of his life we would like to hear. The majority spoke and he talked about his experience in the military, becoming an MP and serving in Desert Storm.

😊 Happy and Sad Dollars 😊

Ron – had happy and sad dollars for his daughter, Natalie, who has been helping Laura and him recently, but is sad that she is heading home to Connecticut.

Glenn - was happy to have Connor Burnham as his guest once again.

Chris – announced that his mother and club member, Phyllis, has returned to Tennessee.

Dan H. – had sad dollars for his mother-in-law who passed away last week. She had been living with Dan and his wife for the last few months. Dan also told us that he will be having hip replacement surgery on September 16.

Bob – was happy that the Schott's had a small family reunion last weekend and enjoyed time hiking and rafting with them.

Curtis also had some happy dollars but I could not hear what he said over Zoom. I was going to call him to clarify but found out that he and Terry are camping up in Northern Maine this week.

50/50 – Chris drew George's number but he drew the 2 of Diamonds. Sorry George. There was \$128 in the pot.

Puns for the Week

What starts with a W and ends with a T?

What do you call a train carrying bubble gum?

- A chew chew train

The Rotary Theme for September is Basic Education and Literacy

“Do you know the difference between education and experience? Education is when you read the fine print; experience is what you get when you don’t.”

~ Pete Seger ~

Birthdays and Anniversaries

September Birthdays – Dawne Wilton (Paul Thornfeldt) – 9/6; Paul THornfeldt – 9/26

September Anniversaries – Mike and Susan Morin – 9/9; Jen and Matt Sherbinski – 9/11; Stan and Ann Marie Brett – 9/20

September Membership Anniversaries – Becky Kaurup – 5 yrs. – 9/6; Beth Abbott – 20 yrs. – 9/11; Jen Sherbinski – 3 yrs. – 9/11; Patty Rice – 30 yrs. – 9/23

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.
5. Help maintain a harassment free environment in Rotary meetings, events and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help insure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

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