



Rotary

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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."

2020-2021 Officers:

Rotary International President: Holger Knaack, Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln - District 7780 Governor: Marguerite Belanger, Rotary Club of Kennebunk-Portside – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Lynne Schott – Co Pres. Elect: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Vice-president: vacant - Treas.: Liz Knox – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Pat Cook – Club Service Chair: George Rice – 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 Evening and Welcome! Today is the 268th day of 2020. There are 98 days remaining in the year. Dave Preble is our program chair and he will be talking about vaccines and Covid 19. AG Chris Summers 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.

September

30 – George Rice and Joel Speakman. George will be talking about the RI website – how to set up an account, make electronic contributions and check your Foundation balance.

October

5 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:30 PM

7 – Club Assembly and Jen Sherbinski

14 – Patty Rice and Bob Schott

21- Membership Committee meeting at Daddy O's at 4:30PM.

21 – Bob Schott and Patty Rice. This will be an evening meeting at Daddy O's.

28 – Jen Sherbinski and George Rice

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

We had two visiting Rotarians last week – Warren Spencer from South Berwick-Eliot and Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida. Dawne Wilton was the guest of her husband, Paul Thornfeldt.

Rotary Moment:

Paul told us about the many famous people who were Rotarians – Franklin D. Roosevelt, John F. Kennedy, Pope Francis, Walt Disney, Margaret Thatcher, Neil Armstrong, Bill Gates and Sam Walton, among many others.

New Member Proposal:

Warren Spencer has been proposed as a member by Ron Morse. Warren is currently a member and past president of the South Berwick-Eliot Club. If anyone has any comments, questions or concerns about this proposal, please speak to a member of the membership committee or a board member.

Announcements:

John gave an update on the Dictionary Project. He has been in contact with Superintendent Colpitts and as expected, we will not be allowed to do in-person presentations to the kids this year due to the virus. However, he expressed gratitude for the program and is pleased we are continuing with it again this year. There are 212 3rd grade students so we will need 9 boxes of dictionaries, 2 less than last year. The price is the same, \$72 per box of 24. John has had new labels made, adding “Mary Lou Burns Memorial” to them. Once the dictionaries arrive, we will have a work meeting putting the labels in the books. John will get in touch with the school principals and set a day for delivery.

Pat announced that Paul sold her roll top desk for \$750 that she donated to the auction.

Patty passed around a sign-up sheet for us to help with the Progress Center’s drive-by food pantry on Mondays from 2:00-4:00PM. John and Curtis Cole signed up to help on the 21st. If you can help with future weeks, please speak with Patty.

Stan reminded us about the tent at the Middle School. This week is Dave and Liz Knox’s turn to keep an eye on it. Stan is on deck for next week and Curtis is for the week of October 4th. We still need someone for the week of October 11th which is the last week before we take the tent down on October 17th.

Last Week:

President Lynne led us in the Pledge, the 4 Way test and a Rotary prayer.

The Membership Committee presented a program on how to propose a new member. There always seems to be confusion as to the steps necessary so the committee felt it would be a good idea to review the process. Tally spoke about New Club Member Sponsor's Rules and Abbie presented a power point reviewing the steps on the membership proposal application.

😊Happy and Sad Dollars😊

Paul was happy to have Dawne with him for dinner.

Lynne announced that hers and Bob's new granddaughter was going to be named Zoe. Buddy and Sara said they chose the name because they wanted to cover "A to Z" as Zoe will be a sister to Amelia.

Tally was happy to announce that her granddaughter got married in New Hampshire last week.

Lois had a happy dollar to say how nice it is to visit with us even though she doesn't feel like a visitor.

John had a sad dollar for Glen who forgot that we weren't having a morning meeting this week.

George had a happy dollar for being back in person.

Ron had happy dollars for proposing Warren Spencer for membership and that he, too, was happy to be back to an in-person meeting.

Glenn had a sad dollar for telling us that PP Dave Whittier is now in hospice care in Texas.

Bob told us that his nephew in San Francisco is wearing N100 face masks because they help to filter out some of the smoke from the wild fires.

Patty had happy dollars thanking the club for its support of her and George while they were out with medical issues this summer.

50/50 – There was \$35 in the pot. Liz drew Lynne's number but Lynne drew the 7 of Diamonds.

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

September Wedding Anniversaries – Stan & Ann Marie Brett – 9/6; Chris & Val Weston – 9/23

September Membership Anniversaries – Becky Kaurup – 3 yrs. – 9/6; Beth Abbott – 18 yrs. – 9/11; Jen Sherbinski – 1 year – 9/11; Patty Rice – 28 yrs. – 9/23

Pun of the Week:

Frank drove by a billboard on his and Connie's way to Florida advertising burial plots and thought "That's the last thing we need."

This month in History:

25 Years Ago – Baseball great Cal Ripkin Jr. broke Lou Gehrig's record, playing 2,131 straight games.

50 Years ago – The Ford Pinto was introduced in September 1970. It was the first subcompact sold in the United States by Ford and the smallest American Ford vehicle sold since 1907. Over 3 million were sold from 1970-1980.

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