

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 239th day of 2023. There are 116 days remaining in the year. Connor Burnam is doing his classification talk. Our guest speaker is PDG of District 7430 and now Fryeburg Club member, Ron Smith. Ron Morse is our 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:

13 – Patty Rice and Liz Knox

13,14,15 & 16 – Oxford County Fair Parking

20 – Lynne Schott and Glenn Huntley

27 – Bob Schott and Dan Hart

October:

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

4 – Classification Talk and John Griffith

11 – Warren Spencer and Tina Fox

18 – Chris Summers and Tally Decato

25 – Val Weston and Curtis Cole

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Natalie Donais from Suffield, Connecticut and Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida were our visiting Rotarians. Lois' husband, Bob Wilgosz, was her guest. Frank Shorey joined us on Zoom..

Rotary Moment:

President Beth reviewed her Rotary Moment from 11 years ago when she attended PETS. She said she never had a particular moment, but that it was a combination of many moments coming together in service, friendship and family, and the realization that Rotarians do so many things in our communities and around the world.

Announcements:

We did not have any updated announcements.

Last Week:

President Beth led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. PE Dan Allen led is in song and Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

Unfortunately, George's guest speaker was not able to make our meeting. However, he did say that he would be with us this week. Instead, Dave reviewed the final preparations for the Cornhole Tournament and Tina reviewed the Fair parking project. She will be meeting with the Fair folks on September 10 to make the final arrangements. This is an important project for us since we no longer have funding from the auction or lobster fest.

50-50: Visiting Rotarian, Natalie Donais, drew Jeff Noblin's number but Jeff drew the Jack of Clubs.

😊 Happy and Sad Dollars 😊

George told us that he spoke with PDG Ron Druin from Biddeford and that he will be 90 in January. He has a new neighbors, Dave and Linda Hoisington.

Patty was happy to be celebrating 40 years with Austin Associates.

Lynne was happy (and probably a little sad) to report that her now 5 year old grandson has started

Tina, in the same vein as Lynne, had a happy \$10 for her grandson, Gilbert, starting pre-K at Rowe school.

Beth had a happy dollar for her granddaughter, Alexis, who has decided to start attending CMMC.

Ron was happy to have his daughter, Natalie, visiting with him and Laura.

John had happy dollars for finding his Baby Yoda hat on the shelf of the clothes rack at the church. The hat has been missing for some time and was right in front of him. He also was happy that daughter-in-law Brandi, is home from the hospital after suffering from a collapsed lung.

Pun For the Week:

Did anyone watch the origami finals on TV last night? It was on paper view.

And Ok, if that one isn't bad enough:

I'm pretty nervous about going out with a vegan girl because I've never dated herbivore.

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.