

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of the Oxford Hills
P.O. Box 14, Norway, Maine 04268
Rotary Theme for 2010-2011:

“Reach Within to Embrace Humanity”

Wednesday, January 18, 2012

2011-2012 Officers and Directors: Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee - Governor District 7780 Gary Speers - Oxford Hills President Beth Abbott - President-Elect Robert Schott - Vice-President OPEN - Secretary Jack Richardson - Treasurer Pat Cook - Sergeant at Arms Stan Brett. Past President - Joelle Corey-Whitman. Directors - Dan Allen, Steve Galvin, Dave Preble and Rob Armstrong.

Club website - www.oxfordhill Rotary.org - District website - www.rotary7780.org.

CALENDAR

Today’s Program Chair is Paul Thornfeldt.
Our guest speaker is Ellie Newell from the Maine Veterans Home.

Our Greeter is Rebecca Dowse.

Please let Paul Thornfeldt know who you have for a speaker so it can be published in upcoming issues.

Program Chairs and Greeters

Next Week - Val Weston - Dave Carter

- 1/30/12 - Mid-Year Leadership Conference
- 2/1/12 - Students - Mary Lou Burns
- 2/8/12 - Assembly - Rob Armstrong
- 3/2/12 - Read Across America Day
- 3/3/12 - Rotary Leadership Institute, Wells, ME.
- 3/8/12 - 3/10/12 - Presidents-elect Training Seminar Framingham, Massachusetts.
- 3/24/12 - District Assembly
- 3/30/12 - RI President Banerjee visits S. Port-Cape Eliz. Club for their 50th Anniversary.
- 3/31/12 - RLI, Lebanon, N.H.
- 4/20-5/20/12 - Inbound GSE Team from Germany.
- 5/5/12 - 5/9/12 - Rotary International Convention, Bangkok, Thailand.
- 5/18/12 - 5/20/12 - District 7780 Conference Harraseeket Inn, Freeport, ME.

Last Week . . .

PP Steve Galvin led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag. Dan led us in song and Glen led us in prayer.

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- **COATS ARE NEEDED FOR THE COAT CLOSET IN OXFORD. ANY GOOD USED CHILDREN TO ADULT COATS SHOULD BE BROUGHT IN TO BE CLEANED AND WILL BE GIVEN TO THE NEEDY.**

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- **Membership Minute from Dan Allen** - think of three of your friends and think about asking them to join Rotary. If every club member did this we could double our membership.

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- **Susan Cairns has been proposed as a member to our club. Her classification will be Cosmetologist. Anyone having any objections please contact Dan Allen or President Beth Abbott with your concerns.**

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- Dave Preble announced that Larry Jordan has volunteered to be the new Foundation Chair.
- Thank you and *Congratulations Larry.*
- Dave also announced that three members have reached the goal of donating \$100 for the Rotary year 2011-2012. Congratulations to Pat Cook, Phil Libby and Rebecca Dowse.

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- *Anyone having any ideas for the annual club dinner please email or call President Beth as soon as possible at 461-2334 or ba_abbott@hotmail.com.*

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- **Treasurer Pat Cook explained the increase in meal prices is due to the Ladies Circle having to increase their fees. So from now on the price of breakfast will be \$9.00. We are required to pay for 30 meals regardless of how many of us show up for a meeting. Therefore, it is important to have at least 30 members at each meeting. Another good reason to increase membership.**

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PP John Griffith picked Susan Cairns ticket
50/50 ticket and she drew two blue balls.

The pot was up to \$12.00

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Our guest speaker was Wyatt Andrews from KBS Building Systems. Wyatt was filling in for Ray Atkinson, the general manager. KBS currently has two factories, one in Paris and the other in Waterford. They employ a total of about 250 people at both plants. They are currently building 80% commercial and 20% residential where it was just the opposite 7 years ago. Nine years ago they grossed \$6,000,000 and this year anticipate grossing \$30,000,000. They are building homes, clinic, condos, apartments, and even hospitals. They are Maine and USA Made and proud of it.

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**Our club is still collecting crutches, walkers,
wheel chairs and other medical equipment for the
district to be shipped to the needy in other
countries.**

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December Birthday's

January 3 - Stan Brett

January 9 - Heather Speakman

January 12 - Susan Graves

January 22 - Daniel Allen

Happy Dollars

Larry was happy that he was on vacation last week and had two trainees accomplish painting a bedroom on their own. What a great feeling.

Curtis was happy that his niece was home from Alaska where they have 18 feet of snow. He was also happy that his daughters cat came home.

Bob Schott was disappointed that none of the students of the month from last week did not want to go skiing on "Uncle Bob's weekend". But, he had 14 Nieces and nephews skiing with him. Also it's his son's 12-13th day on the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon.

Dave Carter invited everyone to the Business after hours at his Bethel facility on January 18th.

The Four Way Test

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it Fair to everyone concerned.

**Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER
FRIENDSHIPS?**

Will it be BENEFICIAL to everyone concerned.

**World Understanding and Peace
Dinner, February 17th**

The World Understanding & Peace Dinner will be held Friday, February 17 at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland. Governor Gary is emphasizing the strength of the clubs and the work that it takes from all of us for peace to blossom. Each club will have a chance to nominate a "peacemaker" from amid its ranks to be celebrated at the dinner.

Mid-Year Leadership Dinner

Save the date: Monday, January 30. That's the date that all current club presidents, presidents-elect (to take office 2012-13) and vice presidents (to take office 2013-14) along with current and future Assistant Governors and Future, Present and Past District Governors will meet for the [Mid-Year Leadership Dinner](#). The event will take place at the Fireside Inn, just off Exit 48 of I-95 in Westbrook, Maine, and the cost will be \$30 pp. Happy hour/cash bar at 5:00 p.m.; dinner served at 6:00 p.m., and the event will be over no later than 8:30 p.m. RSVP: Judy DeGraw, juddeg@myfairpoint.net

Making up at Neighboring Clubs

Interact Club meets in Room B-112 at 2:30 PM on Thursdays.

Bethel - Tuesdays 7:30 AM - The Bethel Inn

Bridgton-Lake Region

Thursdays 7:15 AM Bridgton Alliance Church

Harrison Road, Bridgton

Fryeburg Area

Tuesdays 7:30 AM

St. Eliz-Ann Seton Cath. Ch., Rt. 5

Rumford

Tuesdays 7:30 am Hope Assoc.

85 Lincoln St. Rumford

You can always find a club to make up at on the District 7780 website.

<http://www.rotary7780.org>