



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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Rotary Theme for 2012 – 2013: "Peace Through Service"

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Welcome!

Today's greeter is Steve Galvin. Today, we will be joined by the Students of the Month and their guests.

Calendar: The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is Greeter. Please let President Bob or Program Chair Dave Preble know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. Please remember that when you are Program Chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the Club's paraphernalia

- 1/7/13 – Board Meeting at Steve Galvin's office**
- 1/9/13 – Mary Lou Burns and Rebecca Dowse**
Guest speaker: Ashley Rand from Electricity Maine
- 1/16/13 – Evening Meeting for Rotarian of the Year! And Tally Decato**
- 1/23/13 – Susan Cairns and Pat Cook**
- 1/30/13 – Dave Carter and Curtis Cole**
- 2/6/12 – Students of the Month and Dave Carter**

Announcements:

Mary Lou – asked for all nominations for Rotarian of the Year, either in writing or tell her who you would like to nominate. By the time everyone sees this Reader, she, Dave and Beth will *have made their decision.*

Bob – **the Rotarian of the Year dinner will be held here at the church on January 16, 2013. Social hour starts at 5:00PM with a ham dinner at 6:00 PM. Spouses are welcome!**

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: There were no visiting Rotarians or guests. In fact, there were barely any of us present.

Last week: Pat led us in the pledge and Jack R. led us in singing “Jingle Bells” – 2 verses, no less. Glenn offered the invocation. Since we did not have a guest speaker, we had a late month club assembly. Dave and Bob talked about the Visioning project. This will be a late February or early March evening meeting from 5:00PM-9:00PM. The purpose of Visioning is to come up with a mission statement and talk about where we want to go in the future. Visioning also promotes continuity and efficiency. Dan offered a brief membership minute before asking Sue Graves – as greeter – for her membership minute. Sue gave a brief history of how she became a Rotarian, how she joined for the networking opportunities but now Rotary has become about giving back to the community and that’s what we should emphasize when talking to people about joining. As Foundation chair, Larry reminded us with so much wrong in the world these days, our \$2.00 per week can actually do something to make a difference. Lynn talked about Interact, that the kids were really excited about Christmas for Teens and had additional money to shop for some kids on the Wal-Mart tree. Lynn said that the exchange students from China and Viet Nam had joined Interact and that one thing that differentiates Interact from other clubs is that Interact welcomes kids who might not fit in as well with those other clubs. Jack had no report except for the October attendance which I believe he said was 81.16% of 32 members. **Everyone immediately decided that Frank Shorey was responsible for the 1.16%.** Pat gave a brief treasurer’s report and was asked by Glenn if she could hand out the actual report every month which she said she could do.

Happy and Sad Dollars: Lynn was happy to be with us as her school schedule is not conducive to her making many meetings this year. She also had a happy Christmas and likes her new Kindle. Larry told us of a woman who bought a Christmas tree for the mother of one of his workers who could not afford a tree. Dan was happy for Christmas and glad that John and Shelley Griffith enjoyed their new kitchen. John was happy that he has but 3 days left to work before retiring. Dave was happy for Christmas as well and also enjoyed attending the retirement party for Holly Young and John at Norway Savings Bank. Curtis was thankful that he lives in South Paris as his son recently bought a house near San Francisco comparable to Curtis’s and his property taxes are 4x more. Bob was happy for having so many Christmases this year – with his sister, with Buddy and his wife and with Lynn’s family. He was also anxious to try out new Rocker skis. I didn’t quite catch all that Stan said but it had to do with the snowmobile club purchasing Dave Carter’s grooming machine, 12’ long skis and upstaging Bill Green. He also had a nice Christmas and received a conditional gift certificate for a trip to Arizona but he must first complete the re-do of Ann’s bathroom before she will give him the tickets.

50/50 – not sure of the dollar amount, but Jack R. drew Dan’s ticket but Dan did not draw the King.

Birthdays and Anniversaries in January:

Stan Brett – 1/3

Heather (Joel) Speakman – 1/9

Susan Graves – 1/12

Dan Allen – 1/22

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