



# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills  
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*Rotary Theme for 2012 – 2013: "Peace Through Service"*

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## Welcome!

Today's greeter is Curtis Cole and today's program chair is Dave Carter. The program is unknown as I write this.

**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

2/4/13 – Board meeting at NPC-TV office  
2/6/13 – Students of the Month and Dave Carter  
2/13/13 – Curtis Cole and Susan Cairns  
2/20/13 – Pat Cook and Mary Lou Burns  
2/23/13 – World Peace & Understanding dinner  
2/27/13 – Tally Decato and Dan Allen  
3/6/13 – Students of the Month and Beth Abbott

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** There were no guests or visiting Rotarians

## **Announcements:**

**Rebecca** told us that she and Val had another successful cooking class at the Norway Women's Shelter. She said there were 5 women and 6 children in attendance. They made chicken marsella for the grown-ups and spaghetti for the kids. They have asked if Rebecca and Val can come every other month instead of every three months; Rebecca and Val are willing to do it and the club agreed.

**Rebecca** also handed out sign-up sheets for the food baskets in February. She will have the baskets at our meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup> ready to be delivered.

**Dave** said there has been some recent confusion regarding program chairs and greeters. Please remember that the first name on the list is program chair, the second is greeter.

**Bob** passed out flyers announcing a fund raiser at Shawnee Peak for the adaptive ski program. Bob Marley will be the entertainment; the event will be Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

**Last week:** Our guest speaker was Katey Branch from the Alan Day Community Garden. Alan was a community activist who left 3 acres of land in Norway to his and Katey's daughters when he passed away a few years ago. In memory of their father and theirs and their mother's interest in organic gardening, they decided to start the community garden. Last summer, 20 families had gardens. Rows and plots are available for \$10, \$20 or \$40. There is a small barn on the property and a water catchment system. In addition, they installed a dug well last year and have doubled the size of the garden for this year. They offer youth internships to promote gardening and composting. Katey said they would be interested in promoting the garden with us – for example, putting brochures in our February food baskets – to get the word out about the garden. There will be a community organization meeting for the coming year on February 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM at Fair Share in Norway. All are welcome to attend.

**Happy and Sad Dollars:** **Lynn** was happy that we raised enough money to purchase her student new glasses which are coming with unbreakable lenses and frames. **Joel** said that the pizza purchased from his daughter has arrived and he will be contacting those of us who purchased it tomorrow or Friday. He was also pleased that he and his office manager will be attending a professional development seminar in Phoenix, Arizona next week. **John** was happy to be leaving for Florida next week but sad to be missing our meetings. However, there are five Rotary clubs within five miles of his house so it will be easy to do make-ups. **Chris** was happy that her son has a job. **Pat** was sad to miss Ron's special night but she was in Denver visiting her family and had a great time. **Glenn** was happy for Ron. **Ron** said he was humbled to be chosen Rotarian of the Year. He also said Frank called and wanted him to tell Dave, Larry and Jack that 70 boxes of Rays merchandise arrived for the store which will be opening February 6<sup>th</sup> – just in case one of them wanted to buy something. **Larry** said that someone told him Frank tends to exaggerate. **Bob** was happy that Larry Todd was the one who got him into teaching skiing. **Patty** was happy for her mom's 78<sup>th</sup> birthday and for Ron being chosen for ROTY.

**50/50**– Larry drew John's ticket but John did not win the pot which is up to \$270.

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries in February and March:**

Anne (Dave) Carter – 2/1; Shelley (John) Griffith – 2/4; Rebecca Dowse – 2/4; Pat Cook – 2/13; Ron Morse – 2/24; Val Weston – 3/11; Bob Kahn – 3/18; John Griffith – 3/21; Jack Sours – 3/23; Ann Marie (Stan) Brett – 3/31.

“Let us endeavor so to live that when we come to die, even the undertaker will be sorry.”

~ Mark Twain~