



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills

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Rotary Theme for 2013 – 2014: “Engage Rotary – Change Lives”

2013-2014 Officers

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Ron Morse

Welcome! Our program chair is Joel Speakman and our greeter is Susan Cairns.

Calendar: The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is Greeter. Please let President Dave, Program Chair Christina Twitchell or Reader Editor John Griffith 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.

10/4 – District Membership Seminar at the Regatta Room, Route 236 & Beech Rd. in Eliot, Maine

10/9 – Lois Strauss and Mary Lou Burns. Lois’s guest speaker is Steve Holbrook from the Oxford Hills Christian Academy.

10/9 – Visioning Committee meeting at 4:30 hosted by Ron Morse

10/12 – work day at the Alan Day Community Garden

10/16 – Chris Summers and Dan Allen

10/19 – RLI, Lewiston

10/23 – Paul Thornfeldt and Beth Abbott

10/23 – Visioning Committee meeting at 4:30 hosted by John Griffith

10/30 – Chris Twitchell and Val Weston

11/6 – Students of the Month and Chris Twitchell

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: We had one visiting Rotarian, District Governor Carolyn Johnson from Yarmouth. Abby Gravier was the guest of Pat Cook.

Announcements:

President Dave - Reminded everyone that the next board meeting will be on Monday, September 30th at 6:00 PM at the NPC-TV office on Marston St. Everyone is welcome to attend and it can count as a make-up if you need one.

At this time, we do not have anyone planning to attend the Membership Seminar in Eliot on Friday, October 4th. Dave cannot go either but he would really like to have us represented. If you would like to go, please get in touch with him.

RLI is coming up on October 19th in Lewiston. If you would like to go, you can sign up at www.RLINEA.org. The club will pay for you to go and it’s a great way to learn more about Rotary.

November 11, 1983 will be our club's 30th Anniversary! The board would like to do something special so stay tuned.....

Chris S. – the Visioning Committee met on Wednesday, September 25, 2013 at 4:30 PM at Lois's house. The committee is working on the structure of our club using the Rotary Avenues of Service and aligning our new and existing committees into that structure. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 9 at Ron Morse's. Also, Chris announced that he and Steve Galvin have our Facebook page up and running, so take a look.

Mary Lou – the dictionaries for 3rd graders have been ordered and should be here within 3 weeks.

Bob – the Interact weekend was a great success. The kids had so much fun helping out at Common Ground Fair that they wanted to extend their time there but due to the way the Fair had things scheduled, they couldn't. They went rafting on Saturday and had a long hike on Sunday.

Membership Minute – Greeter Lois Strauss gave us a hint at remembering the 4-Way Test. Just remember "Is it.... " "Is it.... " "Will it...." "Will it...."

Last Week's Program:

District Governor Carolyn Johnson talked to us about the Power of Rotary in our communities and around the world and how important it is that we share our Rotary stories. Our stories tell who we are as Rotary, what we do and the difference we make in our lives and those of others. She talked about the Impact of Rotary, that it is important to become and stay engaged and to take care of each other. She talked about the Commitment of Rotary to the world, particularly regarding Polio Plus which started with one member in the Philippines and spread around the world and our other commitments to clean water, cleft palate surgery, literacy and world peace. She summed up by telling us that we need to use our stories to inspire others.

President Dave presented Carolyn with a \$200 donation to the Guatemala Literacy project.

Happy & Sad Dollars: **Larry** was happy to know Tim, a fellow from the Progress Center who always has a smile in spite of his disabilities. He helps Larry to remember that his troubles are insignificant when things are not going his way. **Bob** had a happy dollar because this is the 40th anniversary of his decision to go into business for himself, something he thought would only be temporary. He also told us two Road Toll stories. **Lois** was happy to see Joan Churchill and happy that Papoose Pond hosted the Kiwanis Club this past week. **Paul** was happy that he and Dawne attended the social for DG Carolyn on Tuesday evening. He was also happy to present the club a banner from a Rotarian he met on his windjammer cruise last week. The Rotarian who gave him the banner attended our club a few years ago but did not have a banner to give us. **Dan** had a request dollar as a woman and her daughter who were at the homeless shelter had moved into one of his apartments and desperately need furniture. They have some kitchen utensils and one twin bed, so if anyone has any furniture they do not need, please let him know. **Glenn** was happy that one of our members won the grand prize from the Norway Fish & Game raffle. **Dave P.** was happy that he was the winner of the grand prize from the Norway Fish & Game raffle – a 12 gauge shot gun. **Steve** has happy to tell us about the Destiny Africa concert which will be at OHCHS at 7:00 PM on October 4th. It is a free concert sponsored by 2nd Congregational Church. We assume **Frank Shorey** is happy to be in Florida.

50/50: Glenn drew Steve's ticket but Steve drew the 6 of Clubs. The pot rolls over.

Birthdays in October: Bruce (Pat) Cook – 10/13; Terry (Curtis) Cole – 10/26; Steve Galvin – 10/31.

Anniversaries in September: Curtis & Terry Cole – 10/6; Beth & Mike Abbott – 10/11; Tally and Lloyd Decato – 10/19.

Membership Anniversaries in October: Chris Summers – 1 year on 10/10; Tally Decato – 20 years on 10/20; Chris Twitchell – 2 years on 10/26.

Make-ups:

Bethel – Tuesdays, 7:30 AM at The Bethel Inn, Bethel
www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursdays, 7:15 AM at the Bridgton Alliance Church, Harrison Rd., Bridgton
www.lakeregionrotary.org

Fryeburg – Tuesdays, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Route 5, Fryeburg
www.fryeburgarearotary.org

River Valley – Tuesdays, 7:30 AM, Hope Association, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford
www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org