



# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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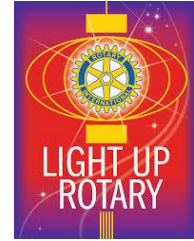
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Rotary Theme for 2014-2015: "Light up Rotary"



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## 2014-2015 Officers

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**Welcome!** Today is the 295th day of 2014. There are 70 days remaining in the year. Our program this morning will be presented by the Youth Services Committee. Our greeter is Glenn Huntley and Joe Balchunas is assistant greeter.

**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 fellowship and promoting world understanding, peace and goodwill."

**Calendar: The first name listed is Program Chair, the second is Greeter.** Please let Program Chair Joel Speakman know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. You can reach Joel at 207-381-0081 or [speakmanbiz@gmail.com](mailto:speakmanbiz@gmail.com). Also please remember that when you are Program Chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the Club's paraphernalia.

**10/22 – Membership Seminar at 3:00 PM, Fireside Inn, Westbrook**

**10/23 – District Visioning Workshop, 4:45 PM – 8:00 PM, Maine Housing Authority, So. Portland**

**10/25 – Bridge Walk for Polio Plus, Portsmouth**

**10/28 – Visioning Committee meeting at 4:30 PM at Patty Rice's, Cottage St., South Paris.**

**10/29 – Community and Vocational Service and John Griffith**

**11/5 – Students of the Month and Susan Graves**

**11/12 – Chris Weston and Tally Decato**

**11/19 – Val Weston and Pat Cook**

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** There were no visiting Rotarians last week. Bruce Cook was the guest of Pat Cook.

**Interact News –** From **Lynne Schott** - The Club raised \$73.00 for the fire victims and collected some clothes, bedding, glassware and curtains. Mrs. Schott and Summer are contacting people for distribution. Curtis Smith came to the meeting and invited the students to the Rotary breakfast on November 5. It is Parent/Teacher Conference Day and we need to organize transportation. Upper classmen are trying to carpool and Isaiah will be coming with his parents for Student of the Month. I have volunteered to pick up any students who need rides as I do not need to be at OHCHS until 11:00, so can come to breakfast as well. Our Bake Sale is on October 28 and 30 after school in the lobby. We are looking for baked goods and trinkets to sell. We will use the money for the fire

victims and start raising money for Christmas for Teens and Kids. Our float plans have changed. Our horse drawn wagon is not to be, the horse has Lyme disease and cannot pull the wagon. Rick Nero's trailer and the Schott fireplace are available. We are looking for an animal themed Night Before Christmas. Cute squirrels, bunnies and others may apply.

### Announcements:

Joe Balchunas was inducted as our newest member. Joe was sponsored by George Rice. He lives in Sebago, ME and works at Community Concepts. He is a past member of the Biddeford-Saco Rotary Club. Welcome Joe!

With assistance from other members, Chris Summers passed out our new t-shirts. After the meeting we all put them on and Patty took our picture which she will be posting to our website.

The Kittery-Portsmouth bridge walk is scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup>. The cost to participate is \$30 which includes \$5 for a t-shirt. The money raised goes to Polio Plus.

Please note in the calendar that the Visioning Committee meeting has been changed to Tuesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM at Patty's.

### Last Week's Program:

This being the second of our series of weekly assemblies, Larry talked about the Foundation and Dan talked about membership.

Larry reminded us that the Foundation is us. All of the projects taken on and maintained by the clubs originated with someone in the club making a suggestion. Therefore, our projects are practical and sustainable. All of the funds we raise and donate to the Foundation go directly to projects that benefit our communities and other communities throughout the world.

Dan talked about membership in the form of a quiz, asking us:

- 1) When did you first join Rotary?
- 2) Who was president the year you joined?
- 3) What was the name of the person who sponsored you?
- 4) What is the name of one person with whom you have had a conversation about Rotary?
- 5) Why are you still a member of this club?
- 6) Would you be willing to share your Rotary experience (s) with a friend?
- 7) Who do you know who might be interested in Rotary and would you be willing to ask them to a meeting.

😊 **Happy Dollars!** 😊 Pat was happy to be with us and mobile after her hip replacement surgery. No narcotics and no pain, but lots of wine, said she. Dan was happy he no longer has to wear his collar. He was sad to say that he would not be with us next (this) week due to Nancy having heart surgery at Brigham & Women's in Boston. We will be thinking of you both. Lois was happy to see Joe inducted as our newest member and was happy and sad that last week was her last week with us for the winter as she and Herb head to Florida on October 16. Bob had a reminder dollar for the road toll on Sunday, the 19<sup>th</sup>. John was happy that grandson #2 is due any time and that he had a great time at the car meet in Hershey, PA.

**50/50 – As the most recent 50/50 Winner, Patty Rice drew Dave Preble's number. Dave, however, did not draw the King of Clubs from a new deck of cards. The \$14 in the pot rolls over.**

**Birthdays in October:** Bruce Cook – 10/13; Terry Cole – 10/26; and the one, the only, Steve Galvin on 10/31. That's just Spooky!

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**Anniversaries in October:** Bob and Irina Kahn, 33 years – 10/5; Curtis and Terry Cole, 29 years – 10/6; Beth and Mike Abbott, 34 years – 10/11; Tally and Lloyd Decato, 57 years – 10/19.

**Membership Anniversaries in October:** Chris Weston – 1 year – 10/9; Chris Summers – 2 years – 10/10; Tally Decato – 21 years – 10/20; Christina Twitchell – 3 years – 10/26.

### **Make-ups:**

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel Inn, Bethel

[www.bethelrotary.org](http://www.bethelrotary.org)

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Bridgton Alliance Church, Harrison Rd., Bridgton

[www.lakeregionrotary.org](http://www.lakeregionrotary.org)

Fryeburg – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg

[www.fryeburgrotary.org](http://www.fryeburgrotary.org)

Mountain Valley – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at Hope Association, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford

[www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org](http://www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org)

Interact Meeting – Tuesday, 2:30 PM at OHCHS, Room B238

### **Thought for the Week (from a Face Book posting):**

**“If you see someone wearing camouflage, make sure to walk right into them so they know it’s working.”**

**Remember the 4-Way Test of the things we think, say or do:**

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

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