



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 today is Chris Summers and our greeter is Beth Abbott.

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.

10/19 – Work day at Alan Day Community Garden

10/20 – Road Toll for the food pantries, 10:00AM-2:00PM, Fair St., by the high school tennis courts

10/23 – Visioning Committee meeting at 4:30 hosted by John Griffith, 134 Pleasant St., Norway

10/30 – Chris Twitchell and Val Weston

11/4 – Board Meeting at 6:00PM at NPC-TV office, Marston St., Norway

11/6 – Students of the Month and Chris Twitchell

11/13 – Val Weston and Paul Thornfeldt

11/20 – Beth Abbott and Chris Summers

11/27 – Dan Allen and Joel Speakman

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: There were no visiting Rotarians or guests last week.

Proposed member: Abigail Graiver has been proposed by Pat Cook. Her classification is public relations. Please speak to a board member if you have any comments, questions or concerns.

Announcements:

Larry – the Alan Day project is coming along. The crew got one side of the roof completed on the 12th and they hope to complete the roof and start the garden shed on the 19th. Larry said they could use a couple more hands if anyone else would like to help.

Bob – the Road Toll for the local food pantries will be on Sunday, the 20th, from 10:00 -2:00 in front of the high school on Fair Street by the tennis courts. Ideally we need 8 people so if you can help, please come even if it is only for a short time.

Susan C. – the Visioning Committee will be meeting today at 4:30 at John Griffith's house, 134 Pleasant St. in Norway. Snacks and drinks provided but if you want a beer, you'll have to bring your own. Sorry!

Mary Lou – the dictionaries have been ordered but have not yet come so the dates for the schools have not been set. Mary Lou is looking for volunteers to help hand out the dictionaries and she does need a couple more.

Ron – Cheese Wheel sales began last week and orders have to be in by November 13 for delivery on November 20. Ron has talked with DG Carolyn Johnson and we may get other clubs involved. We are also running an advertisement in the newspaper with contact numbers to get more word out. We sold 234 wheels last year, making \$1400, and are looking to improve on that this year. The wheels make great Christmas presents, so let's get out there and say CHEESE!

The Interact Club is having a bake sale on Tuesday, October 22nd, in the lobby at the high school. If you can make something for them to sell, it would be appreciated OR if you don't feel like making something, please come buy.

Phil – for a donation to the Foundation, Phil is going golfing. Also, Phil and President Dave will be at the Non-profit Fair at the high school today. If anyone else can help, please speak to either Phil or Dave.

Foundation Minute – Membership Chair Dan Allen told us we are still at about 10% of goal for the membership challenge. The board has challenged each member of the club to propose one new member during this Rotary year.

Last Week:

President Dave was absent so PP Bob Schott filled in for him. Dan Allen led us in song and Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

Paul Thornfeldt introduced Mike Madden, the new Paris police chief. Mike was formerly second in command of the Shelton, Connecticut police department where he started 28 years ago. He worked his way through the ranks as a patrolman, sergeant and detective. He also spent 12 years working with police dogs and was a member of the SWAT team. He is a graduate of St. Joseph's College in Standish, majoring in communications. He also worked part time as a DJ for WBLM in Portland and at WCSH while in college. Mike was impressed with the extensive vetting process in Paris and with the vision of the town and selectmen as to what they want from their police department. Mike wants to lead a community oriented police department and will be working with community members, businesses, organizations and schools to achieve that goal. He also wants to work on improving communication between all of the other local police, fire and EMS departments.

Happy & Sad Dollars: **Ron** stopped at Carter's and although he did not see Dave, he was happy to find out that Dave is making good progress after his surgery. **Lois** was happy to be leaving for Florida on the 17th but sad that she will miss her family and our singing as the club she attends in Florida is a non-singing club. **Paul** was happy to attend the business showcase last week and sample the chili and chowder contest. Although I don't think it was a formal happy dollar, **Jack S.** was happy that the Oxford Casino won first place for their chowder. **Pat** was happy her daughter called and asked her to babysit in Las Vegas. She was also happy to find her lost driver's license, although it was in pieces because the dog ate it! **Glenn** was happy that apple season is coming to an end. **Bob** was happy that he has set the date

for his next Colorado River excursion, assuming the government shutdown is over by next March 31. He was also happy to have Zippy the Monkey back after 50+ years.

50/50: Susan Cairns drew Chris Summers' ticket but Chris didn't pick the King 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 October: 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

And bringing up the rear once again, from Facebook on October 16th, a couple of Frank Shorey quotes:

“Wishing the Red Sox the best.....did I just say that?.....yes, I did! Exciting playoff series!”

“I select one day a week to be nice. Today will be the only day.”