# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of the Oxford Hills P.O. Box 14, Norway, Maine 04268 Rotary Theme for 2010-2011: "*Reach Within to Embrace Humanity*"

### Wednesday, November 2, 2011

2011-2012 Officers and Directors: Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee - Governor District 7780 Gary Speers - Oxford Hills President Beth Abbott - President-Elect Robert Schott - Vice-President OPEN - Secretary Jack Richardson - Treasurer Pat Cook - Sergeant at Arms Stan Brett. Past President - Joelle Corey-Whitman. Directors - Dan Allen, Steve Galvin, Dave Preble and Rob Armstrong. Club website - www.oxfordhillsrotary.org - District website - www.rotary7780.org.

#### **CALENDAR**

Today's Program Chair is Irina Kahn. Today's program is Students of the Month. Our Greeter is Dr. Robert Kahn.

Please let IPP Joelle know who you have for a speaker so it can be published in upcoming issues.

#### Program Chairs and Greeters

Monday, Nov. 7th - Monthly Board Meeting. Nov 9 - Bob Kahn and Irina Kahn.

**Nov 10** - District Foundation Roadshow from 6-8 PM at the Masonic Hall in Norway. BYOB and Potluck dinner. *Great makeup opportunity*.

# Last Week . . .

President Beth led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag, Dan led us in his rendition of "All Hail to Rotary" and Glen led us in prayer.

Visiting Rotarian was Ellie Andrews, President of the Bethel Club. Visiting guests was Debbie Decato, guest of our President Beth. Ellie is raising money so she can join the Rotoplast trip to Togo in the near future. She has crafted an afghan she is raffling off and doing all sorts of odd jobs to raise the \$2600 needed.

President Beth inducted Chris Twitchell as our newest member. Welcome Chris! Chris' classification will be Banking.

Steve outfit had us all "buzzing" with his costume as he celebrates Halloween week and his 14th anniversary of his 39th birthday.

The "Wheel of Cheese" fundraiser is in progress and signup sheets have been emailed to

you with a photo of the cheese and box on them. The two pound wheels are smooth sharp cheddar cheese from Cabot Cheese in Vermont. Each wheel comes in a gift box and the cost is \$17.00 each. We would make about \$5.00 per wheel. Ron and Paul have volunteered to go to Vermont to pickup the cheese.

The basket was passed around for Vermont Flood Relief. We are looking to raise \$1000.

Glen had his ticket drawn, but did not get the elusive yellow ball thus losing out on 50.00

- SPEAKER - John Neal spoke to us about continuing education. John was laid off from the paper mill in Jay and has had to go back to college to earn a degree and retrain for another profession. John spoke to us about a new realization in his life and how things had changed for him. He realized that most people hate their jobs and recommends finding you passion and going in that direction. He is currently a motivational speaker and travels

to speak to various groups. Like your job, paychecks are not that important.

<u>November Bírthday's</u>

November 1 - Bob Schott November 4 - Shawn Libby November 26 - Lloyd Decato

November Anniversary's

November 26 - Glen and Sharon Huntley

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- We still need a Vice-President for this year. This 'person would be President for the 2013-2014 <u>Rotary year</u>. Please give it some serious thought' <u>as it is a rich and rewarding experience</u>.

## Happy Dollars

**Larry** told us about his grandson, Brady and how much he is enjoying him.

**Steve** told us of the Great Weekend he has planned. Plans included Halloween in Norway at the TV station, attending the Oddfellows Theater in Buckfield, of course, Roller Derby and celebrating his Birthday on Monday, Halloween Day.

**President Beth** Mentioned the non-profit display at the high school on Wed. 11/5 from 8:00 to 11:00. Ron, Phil and Tally volunteered their time. She also told us that our new member Chris will be taking over the Christmas for kids with help from Debbie Decato.

**Mary Lou** told us that the dictionaries still have not arrived.

**Dave Carter** is a new grandfather as his first grandchild that morning.

**Glen** is happy to have is grandchildren, 3 and 6, visiting with their parents from British Colombia.

**Mary Lou** informed us that the dictionaries have not arrived yet. Also, a wreath order sheet is being circulated by Mary Lou for the ladies group at the church. Order now for the holidays. Looks like Christmas out there already.

**Chris** was happy to be a new member and that her friend Debbie was present.

**Patty** told us that after hearing john Neal's talk that she loves her job. That goes for me too.

**Ellie Andrews** was happy for the beautiful sunrise she saw coming down from Bethel.

# Foundation News

Effective I October 2011, The Rotary Foundation will award recognition points for all contributions to the Annual Programs Fund, PolioPlus, or the sponsor portion of a Foundation grant. This is great news: It means that Rotarians and clubs can support the Foundation in a myriad ways and earn recognition points – worth Paul Harris Fellow credit – at the same time. Those credits can be extended to others to help them become a Paul Harris Fellow.

# Foundation Roadshow ...And Your Welcome!

Want to learn more about the Rotary Foundation, and the incredible work it does? Want to find out about the Rotary Foundation programs ongoing by clubs in this District? Then the Rotary Foundation Roadshow is for you. The District Foundation Committee is setting up three evening events designed to reach as many Rotarians as possible, especially those folks who have never been to a District Foundation Seminar. The local Roadshow will be held: Thursday, November 10 from 6-8 at the Masonic Lodge, Temple Street, Norway, ME. This will be a North Country potluck supper. This meeting is free but BYOB! Spouses are welcome! Please contact President Beth Abbott, ba abbott@hotmail.com or 207-461-2334 to RSVP and for more details.