



# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

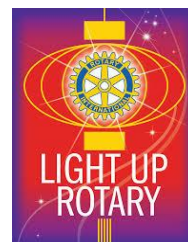
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Rotary Theme for 2014-2015: "Light up Rotary"

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## 2014-2015 Officers

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**Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Beth Abbott**

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**Welcome!** Today is the 323rd day of 2014. There are 42 days remaining in the year. Val Weston is our program chair this morning. Her guest speaker is Linda Rideout, House Manager of the Deering Street Shelter in Norway, part of Rumford Group Homes. Pat Cook is 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.

**11/19 – Visioning Committee meeting at Tally's, 1 Chipman Ave., South Paris**

**11/22 – Shopping for the food pantries. Meet at Hannaford at 9:00 AM. We will sort and deliver at 11:00 AM.**

**11/26 – Beth Abbott and Curtis Cole.** Beth's guest speaker is Kim Preble, VP Auburn Morning Club who will be talking about her RYLA experience.

**11/30 – Bethel Rotary Harvest breakfast, Gould Academy, Bethel.**

**12/3 – Students of the Month and Mary Lou Burns**

**12/10 – Dan Allen and Dan Allen**

**12/17 – OHCHS Chorale and Beth Abbott**

**12/24 – No meeting**

**12/31 – No meeting**

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** There were no visiting Rotarians. Becky Preble was the guest of Dave Preble.

**New Member Proposal** – Deborah Harris has been proposed as a member by Chris Summers. Deb has helped with the Auction, Lobster & Steak Fest and other activities this year. If anyone has any comments, questions or concerns, please speak to a board member.

**Interact News:** From Lynne Schott – We are planning the float and need blue and gold ornaments, a Christmas tree, rocking chair and animal costumes, hats and masks,. We will be putting it together at my house on Black Friday, Parade is Saturday. We are registered as OHCHS Interact/Rotary for the judging. The theme is “the Night Before Christmas” so we will have an indoor scene and outdoor animals.

## **Announcements:**

**President Chris** – as we did last year, the board voted to add approximately \$600 to the money we raised at our last road toll so that we can give a total of \$2000 to the food pantries. The difference this year is that we will not be donating to the Norway and Oxford pantries but to the Progress Center for their dinner program and the Universalist Church for their lunch program. We will still be donating to the West Paris and Otisfield pantries.

**\*\* Update\*\*** - 11/17 – President Chris contacted the Universalist Church about our donation. They were grateful but did not need additional food. In talking with the Otisfield pantry, Chris found that there were two unrelated food pantries in Otisfield. Therefore the board has decided to donate to the second pantry rather than the Universalist lunch program.

Due to a number of us traveling and getting ready for the holidays and uncertainties about the availability of the church ladies on December 24<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>, we have decided to cancel both meetings at this time.

**Ron** – Cheese Wheel sales have been going for two weeks. Glenn handed in one sheet last week with 18 sold. We may possibly move the deadline up by one week, to the 3rd of December to give us more time to sell and have “fresher” cheese for people to use as Christmas gifts. Ron will speak to Paul to see if he is available a week later as he and Dawne are planning on heading south for the winter about that time. Ron and Dave are at the Auburn-Lewiston Breakfast Club this morning to try and sell some cheese wheels there.

**Beth** – The **Bethel Rotary** will be holding their annual Harvest breakfast at Gould Academy on Sunday, November 30th. Please note this is a correction from last week as it was originally announced it would be held on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The mid-year **Leadership Dinner** will be held on January 26<sup>th</sup> at the Fireside Inn, Westbrook and the **World Peace and Understanding Dinner** will be on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, location TBD.

**Larry** – November is Foundation month and the Gates Foundation will donate \$2 for every \$1 donated to Polio Plus. Larry also told us that the reason Nigeria had no problem with Ebola was because of the Rotary network already in place for Polio Plus. This allowed them to act much more quickly in response to the outbreak than the other countries that were hit.

**Paul** - was not in attendance but he sent an e-mail to me after he got last week’s Reader with the picture showing Frank Shorey reading to elementary school students in Florida through his club there. His comment was: “I didn’t know Frank could read.”

**Last Week:** We did not have a program last week due to meeting at the Casino. We had an excellent breakfast with fruit, pastries, toasted English muffins with ham & egg on them, scrambled egg with cheese topping, fried potatoes, bacon, sausage and waffles with strawberries, whipped cream and syrup – and of course, coffee and juice. President Chris thanked Jack and the Casino for having us.

 **Happy Dollars!**  **Dan** had a happy dollar for his wife, Nancy, who is slowly improving after her heart surgery which we were all glad to hear. He was also happy to have spent last weekend in Washington D.C. with his son who became a Master Mason and he was especially happy and proud that he was the one to raise him to that position. **President Chris** was happy to receive great feedback about the Students of the Month a couple of

weeks ago especially as to the changes we made in welcoming the students and presenting them with their awards. Dave was happy to have Dan back to lead us in song and he was happy to have Becky with him. He was hoping that she would win enough at the Casino to pay to fix their washing machine. Glenn was happy to be going hunting “upta camp” for the week. Patty was happy (?) to have spent 11 hours in the truck with George as they delivered 3,150 pounds of beef to those who purchased from them. Stan was happy to make his donation to the Foundation through the cups.

**50/50** – Jack S. drew Irina’s number but Irina didn’t draw the King of Clubs. There was \$60 in the pot.

**Birthdays in November:** Bob Schott – 11/1; Curtis Smith – 11/3; Shawn (Phil) Libby – 11/4; Lloyd (Tally) Decato – 11/26.

**Anniversaries in November:** Glenn and Sharon Huntley – 11/26

**Membership Anniversaries in November:** Ron Morse – 4 years – 11/10; George Rice – 31 years – 11/11.

### **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:**

“You know it’s cold outside when you go outside and it’s cold.”

~anon~

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