

# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

Wednesday, November 4, 2015
The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
Norway, ME 04268
Rotary Theme for 2015-2016:

"Be a gift to the world"

**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 friendship and promoting world understanding, peace and good will."

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Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Beth Abbott

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**Welcome!** Today is the 308th day of 2015. There are 57 days remaining in the year. This morning is our first Students of the Month event for this year. Our greeter is Tally Decato.

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Calendar: The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter. Please let Reader editor John Griffith know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. You can reach John at 207-743-6129 or at <a href="mailto:griffs2@roadrunner.com">griffs2@roadrunner.com</a>. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia.

11/8 - Road Toll for the Western Maine Addiction Task Force, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, Fair St., Norway

11/11 - No Morning Meeting

11/12 - Veteran's Dinner at Oxford Legion, 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM. Our meeting for the week.

11/18 - Curtis Cole and Pat Cook

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11/30 - Board Meeting at TD Bank in Oxford, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

12/2 - Students of the Month and Mary Lou Burns

12/9 - Davin Currie and Anderson-Staples Post

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

### **Announcements:**

<u>President Chris</u> – Remember the Costume Party for Child Trafficking is coming up on the 30<sup>th</sup>. It does not appear, however that we have anyone planning to attend.

November 11<sup>th</sup> is a holiday and the church will not be available due to wreath making. After some discussion about meeting elsewhere, it was suggested that we cancel our regular morning meeting and use the Veteran's Day dinner for Veterans at the Oxford Legion as our meeting for the week. Chris asked for a show of hands and the suggestion was approved.

Don't forget the Road Toll for the Addiction Task Force on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. We will also have help from some members of the task force.

We would like to get the new "road signs" in place the weekend of November 14 and 15 if that works for Kiwanis. It is likely that it will take two days to do the work. Chris will check with the Kiwanians and let us know.

<u>Mary Lou</u> — the dictionaries have arrived and by the time you read this, most will have been delivered. Paris Elementary was done last Thursday, Rowe was done Friday and Harrison on Monday. Thanks to Mary Lou for heading up this event and to Val, Chris, Pat, Paul, Ron, Laura, and John for helping out. Glenn will be delivering to the Christian school this week.

## Last Week:

Prior to the introduction of our guest speaker, President Chris presented Lynne Schott with her 11 year perfect attendance award. Congratulations, Lynne!

Ed Lyons from the Anderson-Staples Post introduced our guest speaker, Paul L'Heureux, Adjutant for the American Legion for Maine. Paul began by giving us a brief history of the Legion which started in Paris, France in 1919 after WWI. A group of veterans got together to continue their friendships and talk about their experiences, similar to how Rotary started. As there were no organizations to assist veterans returning from war, these men felt there was a need to take care of their own. The Legion grew through the years and became the organization it is today – assisting veterans, taking up their cause with the government and giving them a place to socialize with likeminded individuals. The National headquarters is in Indianapolis, Indiana. Every state has its own number system – Rockland was the first post in Maine so it is #1; Augusta is #2, Lewiston is #22, Oxford is #122. There are 174 posts in Maine and 14,500 in the world. Paul's talk was very interesting and informative.

50/50 — Patty drew Tally's # but Tally didn't draw the King of Clubs. There was \$121 in the pot.

#### Thought for the week:

"The more you weigh, the harder you are to kidnap. Stay safe. Eat Cake."

~Anon~

November Birthdays: Bob Schott - 11/1

**November Anniversaries:** Glen and Sharon Huntley – 11/26

**November Membership Anniversaries:** Ron Morse – 5 years – 11/10; George Rice – 32 years – 11/11

# **Make-ups:**

**Bethel** – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel Inn, Bethel www.bethelrotary.org

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

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

**River Valley** – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org

Interact – Thursday, 2:30 PM, Room A200, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School

# <u>The 4-Way Test</u> of the things we think, say or do

Is it the TRUTH?
 Is it FAIR to all concerned?
 Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



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