



# 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”*

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***Good Morning and Welcome!*** This morning we are joined by the Students of the Month.  
Our greeter is Chris Twitchell.

***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.

***Please note: due to wreath making at the church, we will be meeting at Market Square Restaurant on the 13<sup>th</sup>.***

11/13 – Beth Abbott and Paul Thornfeldt. Our guest speaker will be PDG Peter Johnson who will be talking about the Rotary Foundation.

11/20 – Val Weston and Chris Summers. Our guest speaker will be Jean Delamater who will be talking about Christmas for Kids.

11/27 – Dan Allen and Joel Speakman

11/28 – Happy Thanksgiving!

12/2 – Board Meeting at 6:00PM at NPC-TV office, Marston St., Norway

12/4 – Students of the Month and Jack Sours.

12/11 – Mary Lou Burns and Curtis Smith

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

## Announcements:

***Dave P.*** – Last week, the club voted to approve our participation in the District 7780 Lac Megantic project and we have a check for \$350 ready to go. However, if there is anyone in the club who would like to contribute \$100 on their own to provide Christmas gifts for a child from Lac Megantic, please see Dave.

***Susan C.*** – Susan handed out a form from the Visioning Committee. If you are interested in serving as a director, chair or co-chair next year or want to suggest someone you feel would be a great person to serve, please put your name or their name down on the form and get it back to Susan.

**Mary Lou** – contrary to what she was told last week, the dictionaries were not shipped nor was Mary Lou given a date they would be shipped. Mary Lou will be busy with the wreath making at the church for the next couple of weeks, so we may have to wait until after that to deliver them to the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders.

**Ron** – Remember to keep the cheese sales going. The deadline is November 13<sup>th</sup> for delivery November 20<sup>th</sup>. We have an advertisement ready to go in the newspaper this week.

**Foundation Minute** – Val's Rotary Information was about becoming a Benefactor of the Foundation. Basically, a Rotarian can become a Benefactor by leaving a donation to the Foundation in their estate plans or by making a direct bequest of \$1000 in their will. There is a form on line if you wish to participate. At this time, the Club has 6 Benefactors.

### **Last Week:**

Our guest speaker was Andy Robinson, Deputy District Attorney for the Franklin, Androscoggin and Oxford County District. Andy was very entertaining and interesting as he talked about fraud and embezzlement. The biggest area of embezzlement and theft his office is seeing right now is in smaller, non-profit associations, such as gymnastic clubs, snowmobile clubs and service clubs. He has also handled two larger embezzlements recently in the hotel industry and a food distribution company. All of these events happened because of the level of trust the organization or company had in one person. The solutions are to be vigilant, don't give the Keys to the Treasury to one person and make sure to have routine audits conducted – or to at least have more than one person responsible for the organization's finances. The second largest area he is concerned with fraud involving the elderly, especially people with varying stages of dementia. Again, be vigilant especially if you see a neighbor or long lost relative suddenly becoming involved in someone's life. Other warning signs are Powers of Attorney without a no gifting clause or individual accounts that suddenly become joint accounts.

**Time being short, we only had time for a couple of Happy & Sad Dollars:** [Susan C.](#) - was happy to have a new car and is looking forward to selling her old one (hint, hint). [Irina](#) - was happy to have had a successful doctor's visit.

**50/50:** Beth drew Dave Carter's ticket but Dave drew an Ace of something. The \$80 in the pot rolls over to next week.

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

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

**Membership Anniversaries in November:** George Rice – 30 years on 11/11.

**Make-ups:** Bethel – Tuesdays, 7:30AM at The Bethel Inn, Bethel

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

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

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

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

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

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

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