



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills

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Rotary Theme for 2012 – 2013: "Peace Through Service"

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Welcome!

Today's greeter is Glenn Huntley. Today's Program Chair is Beth Abbott. Our guest speaker is Rev. Don Mayberry who will be talking about the church's 200th Anniversary.

Calendar: The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is Greeter. Please let President Bob or Program Chair Dave Preble 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.

12/19 – Christmas Choir/Assembly and John Griffith

12/26 – Dan Allen and Susan Graves

1/2/13 – Mary Lou Burns and Steve Galvin

1/9/13 – Students of the Month and Rebecca Dowse

1/16/13 – Evening Meeting for Rotarian of the Year! And Tally Decato

1/23/13 – Sue Cairns and Pat Cook

1/30/13 – Dave Carter and Curtis Cole

New Member Proposal:

Jack Sours has been proposed as our newest member.

Announcements:

Bob – At the Board Meeting on Monday, the 3rd, Jim Price from the South Portland Day Break Club presented a program on Club Visioning. After some discussion, the Board voted to ask the Visioning team to come to Oxford Hills. This will be a special meeting for all club members and will occur during the first quarter of the New Year. Fryeburg, Bethel and Bridgton-Lake Region have been through the program and found it very worthwhile.

Ron – The club made \$1200 on the cheese sale this year compared to \$700 last year. Ron read a very nice thank you note from PDG Jim Lilly from New Jersey.

Chris Twitchell – brought in the sign-up sheet and cards with the names for Christmas for Teens. We have 15 names to start with but there are 160 teens in need, so if we need more names, Chris will get them for us. Please make sure you keep the card with the gifts. Gifts

should be unwrapped and brought in to our meeting on the 19th or they can be delivered to Chris at TD Bank in Oxford. They are asking that we spend \$55 on each teen. If you prefer to make a more general donation, there is a great need for toothbrushes, toothpaste and other toiletries.

Mary Lou – handed out the Rotarian of the Year forms. Please get them in as soon as possible to Mary Lou, Beth or Dave. The Rotarian of the Year will be announced at a special evening meeting on January 16, 2013. Hopefully, the ROTY will be present this year!

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: We had one visiting Rotarian, AG Sheila Rollins from Bridgton-Lake Region. Jack Sours, Maureen Howard, the Students of the Month and their guests were in attendance.

Last week: **President Bob** rang the bell and led us in the Pledge. **Dan** led us in singing “Jingle Bells” and **Glenn** gave the invocation. After breakfast, **Maureen Howard** introduced the Students of the Month. **President Bob and AG Sheila** then talked about the 2013 GSE trip to Nigeria and the changes coming to the program, in that it is becoming a more hands on trip with the team spending all of their time in one place working in their field which in 2013 is special needs education. Related to the GSE trip, President Bob has been working with the other clubs in our Region on a water project for the school the GSE team will be visiting. The school houses 1,000 children and does not have a clean water source. The total cost of the project is \$15,400.00. The District has received a grant for ½ of this and the clubs have to come up with the other half. We can also go outside of our Region to enlist the aid of other clubs who might want to participate.

Happy and Sad Dollars: **Curtis** wanted to remind us that Paul will be having knee surgery next week. **AG Shiela** was happy for the Students of the Month, congratulating them and their parents. **Bob** was happy for his name tag for some reason. **Glenn** needed some help with obtaining 501C status for the Norway-Paris Fish and Game Club and was happy that he could call on a fellow Rotarian for help. Glenn thanked Patty for her Service Above Self.

50/50 – I did not catch the amount but there was more than the \$164 than last week in the pot. Ron Morse drew President Bob’s ticket but Bob did not draw the King of Clubs.

Birthdays and Anniversaries in December and January:

Belated Happy Birthdays to Jane (Larry) Jordan, 12/5, and Curtis Cole, 12/6.

Happy Anniversary to Ron and Laura Morse who will be celebrating their 54th 12/20!

Stan Brett – 1/3

Heather (Joel) Speakman – 1/9

Susan Graves – 1/12

Dan Allen – 1/22

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