

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, December 14, 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.oxfordhill Rotary.org - District website - www.rotary7780.org.

CALENDAR

Today’s Program is Chair is Patty rice and the Program is Bethel Rotarian Steve Wight regarding the *Give Hope/Give a Hand Project*.

Our Greeter is Steve Galvin.

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

Program Chairs and Greeters

12/21 - Jack Richardson and Curtis Cole

OHCHS Choir to sing Christmas Songs.

12/28 - Bob Schott and Tally Decato

1/4/12 - Students - Joelle Corey-Whitman

1/11/12 - Joel Speakman - Pat Cook

1/18/12 - Paul Thornfeldt - Rebecca Dowse

1/25/12 - Val Weston - Dave Carter

1/30/12 - Mid-Year Leadership Conference

2/1/12 - Students - Mary Lou Burns

2/8/12 - Assembly - Rob Armstrong

3/2/12 - Read Across America Day

3/3/12 - Rotary Leadership Institute, Wells, ME.

3/8/12 - 3/10/12 - Presidents-elect Training Seminar
Framingham, Massachusetts.

3/24/12 - District Assembly

3/30/12 - RI President Banerjee visits S. Port-Cape
Eliz. Club for their 50th Anniversary.

3/31/12 - RLI, Lebanon, N.H.

4/20-5/20/12 - Inbound GSE Team from Germany.

5/5/12 - 5/9/12 - Rotary International Convention,
Bangkok, Thailand.

5/18/12 - 5/20/12 - District 7780 Conference
Harraseket Inn, Freeport, ME.

Last Week...

Past President John led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag due to President Beth’s absence due to illness. Dan led us in song and prayer. Patty’s visiting guest was Susan Cairns.

Tags for the Christmas for Kids Project are available and all items must be in by the 19th. Many of you have already taken at least one tag and some two or three.

Patty’s ticket was drawn, but she did not get the elusive yellow ball thus losing out on \$114.00.

Thanks to everyone who contributed for the Frank Shorey Christmas Gift. We are sure he will be surprised when he arrives at the meeting on Wednesday.

Guests - Our guest last week were the Students of the Month. The freshman was Alex Grover who was with his mom. Sophomore was Desiree Dunn with her parents. Junior was Matthew Kelly with his mom and the senior was Lindsay ? with her mom. Dan presented them with a history and overview of Rotary. Maureen presented them with individual plaques, donated by Lake Region Awards and they will be having lunch provided by Pizza Hut with school officials.

December Birthday’s

December 5 - Jane Jordan

December 6 - Curtis Cole

December Anniversary’s

December 20 - Ron and Laura Morse

Happy Dollars

Acting President John was sad that member Glen was in Florida last week where it was 38 degrees when it was 60 degrees here. Maine had the highest temps in the country that day.

Lynne had a jubilant \$10. for having a great time building the Interact Club parade float with the kids and even got to invite some newbies to join the club.

Larry was happy for the Students of the Month and their involved parents.

Dan was happy just to have an audience.

Pat Cook was sorry for missing last week because a seven member state inspection team showed up at the hospital for a three day visit. So happens that things are in such great shape at SMH, they stayed only two days and complimented the attitude and friendliness of the staff.

Bob Schott informed the students about RYLA and why they should join.

Patty congratulated the Students of the Month and informed us of President Beth's illness. She is now getting better and will likely be with us this week.

Rotary Programs Overview

PolioPlus. Rotarians have mobilized by the hundreds of thousands to ensure that children are immunized against this crippling disease and that surveillance is strong, despite the poor infrastructure, extreme poverty, and civil strife of many countries. Since the PolioPlus program's inception in 1985, more than two billion children have received oral polio vaccine. To date, 210 countries, territories, and areas around the world are polio-free, and 134 of these have been certified polio-free. As of June 2010, Rotary has committed more than \$900 million to global polio eradication. 2009-10 program awards were \$118.1 million. (includes PolioPlus Partners grants)

Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge is The Rotary Foundation's response to a grant of \$355 million from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to help eradicate polio. Every dollar given to PolioPlus will be counted toward Rotary's \$200 Million Challenge, which must be completed by 30 June 2012.

Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants fund large- scale, two- to four-year projects that enhance health, help alleviate hunger, or improve human development. Since 1978, 347 projects in 78 countries have been funded at a cost of more than \$88 million. In 2009-10, grants for seven new projects were approved. Program awards were \$1.4 million.

Making up at Neighboring Clubs

Bethel - Tuesdays 7:30 AM - The Bethel Inn
Bridgton-Lake Region

Thursdays 7:15 AM Bridgton Alliance Church
Harrison Road, Bridgton

Fryeburg Area

Tuesdays 7:30 AM

St. Eliz-Ann Seton Cath. Ch., Rt. 5

Rumford

Tuesdays 7:30 am Hope Assoc.

85 Lincoln St. Rumford

You can always find a club to makeup at on the District 7780 website.

<http://www.rotary7780.org>

The Four Way Test

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it Fair to all concerned.

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned.

The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.