

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

Wednesday, December 19, 2012
The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
Norway, ME 04268

<u>www.oxfordhillsrotary.org</u> <u>www.rotary7780.org</u>

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



2012-2013 Officers

Rotary International President: Sakuji Tanaka ~ Governor, District 7780: Marty Peak Helman
Oxford Hills Rotary Club Pres.: Bob Schott ~ Pres. Elect: Dave Preble ~ Vice Pres.: Chris Twitchell
Treas.: Pat Cook ~ Sec.: Jack Richardson ~ Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett ~ Past Pres.: Beth Abbott ~ Foundation Chair:
Larry Jordan ~ Membership Chair: Dan Allen ~ Publicity Chair: Steve Galvin ~ Community and Club Service Chair:
Ron Morse

Welcome!

Today's greeter is John Griffith. Today's is our (weather permitting) annual Christmas Concert by the OHCHS chorus.

<u>Calendar:</u> 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

12/26 - Dan Allen and Susan Graves

1/2/13 - Students of the Month and Steve Galvin

1/9/13 - Mary Lou Burns 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

Announcements:

<u>President Bob</u> – talked about Visioning. We need a Visioning "champion", a member not on the board and preferably a newer member. Please see Bob or a board member if you are interested. The Visioning meeting will be an evening meeting sometime in late January or February. The meeting will last about 4 hours and a light supper will be served. There will be more on the date, time and place to come.

Ron — was pleased to announce that AARP National sent \$1,000.00 to the local AARP chapter to donate to the food pantry in recognition of their food drive, the one that we help with. Ron also talked about Warren Spencer, the North Berwick Rotarian who visits us during the summer. Warren's daughter, as we know, was severely injured by a roadside bomb in Iraq about a year and a half ago. She is in a hospital in New Mexico and to Warren's and his family's disappointment, will not be able to come home for Christmas. Ron suggested that we send a care package to Warren's daughter. We passed the Santa hat and collected \$160.00. Ron and

Beth Abbott will put this together. Ron is going to see Warren on Saturday the 15th and will tell him what we are doing.

<u>Chris</u> – Christmas for Teens is moving along. Please make sure you bring your gifts next week or drop them off at TD Bank anytime. If you didn't get a name but would like one, please see Chris. <u>Mary Lou</u> – reminded everyone to hand in their Rotarian of the Year nominations. They are needed by the end of the year.

<u>Rebecca</u> – thanked Paul and Curtis for helping move furniture for the Women's Center. <u>Bruce Cook</u> – announced that the Opera House is coming along and should be ready for rental in early January.

<u>Visiting Rotarians and Guests:</u> No visiting Rotarians this week. Bruce Cook was a guest of Pat Cook, Jane Jordan was a guest of Larry Jordan, Shelley Griffith was a guest of John Griffith and Jack Sours was a guest of Ron Morse.

<u>Last week:</u> President Bob rang the bell. Frank Shorey led us in the Pledge, Rev. Don Mayberry led us in singing "Jingle Bells" and Glenn gave the invocation. After breakfast, Beth Abbott introduced Rev. Mayberry who talked about the 200th Anniversary of the church. As usually, Rev. Mayberry gave an interesting and humorous talk on the church, the changes it has undergone through the years and its philosophy. At the end of his talk, we presented him with a \$200 check for his discretionary fund in honor of the Women's Circle.

Happy and Sad Dollars: Phil was happy that he and his wife had the opportunity to travel to Houston last weekend to attend their son's graduation from Baylor University and to learn when they got there that he was the Valedictorian. Patty had a reminder dollar for us to remember Paul Thornfeldt. His knee surgery has been postponed until he recuperates from a pinched nerve in his neck/back. He has been very uncomfortable the last couple of weeks. Patty was also happy to be picking up her new car later in the day. Susan was happy that Frank was with us. Frank put in\$1 because it was all he could afford after purchasing and handing out Tampa Bay Rays stickers to all the Red Sox fans. Larry was happy for the people in Florida because Frank was in Maine. Dave told us that he and Becky have been babysitting their grand-dog as he recuperates from knee surgery.

<u>50/50</u> – There was \$192 in the pot. Frank drew Steve's ticket but Steve didn't pick the right card.

Birthdays and Anniversaries in December and January:

Happy Anniversary to Ron and Laura Morse who will be celebrating their 54^{th} 12/20! Sue Cairns – 12/28 Stan Brett – 1/3 Heather (Joel) Speakman – 1/9 Susan Graves – 1/12 Dan Allen – 1/22

<u>Proposed Member:</u> Ron Morse has proposed Jack Sours as our newest member.

Thanks to Norway Savings Bank for allowing me to use their paper and copy machine when I am editor of the Reader.

