# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of the Oxford Hills P.O. Box 14, Norway, Maine 04268 Rotary Theme for 2011-2012:

"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"

Wednesday, March 28, 2012

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 Dave Preble - Secretary Jack Richardson -Treasurer Pat Cook - Sergeant at Arms Stan Brett. Past President - Joelle Corey-Whitman. Directors - Foundation chair - Larry Jordan, Membership chair - Dan Allen, Publicity chair - Steve Galvin, and Community and Club Service chair - Rob

Armstrong.

Club website - www.oxfordhillsrotary.org - District website - www.rotary7780.org.

## **CALENDAR**

Today's program chair is David Carter. His speaker is Lee Dassler. Our Greeter is Patty Rice.

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

<u>Program Chairs and Greeters</u>
April 4 - Students of the Month - Ron Morse
April 11 - Assembly - Dave Preble
April 18 - Curtis Cole - Phil Libby
April 25 - Pat Cook - Bob Kahn
May 2 - Students -Irina Kahn
May 9 - Assembly -Larry Jordan
May 16 - Tally Decato - Glenn Huntley
May 30 - Steve Galvin - Susan Graves
June 6 - Students - Steve Galvin
June 13 - Assembly - Rebecca Dowse
June 20 - Susan Graves - Tally Decato
June 27 - Changeover Breakfast - Pat Cook

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

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

<u>4/9/12 - Cocktail reception at 5 PM at</u> <u>Maurice's to honor past president Joelle</u> <u>Corey-Whitman and to announce the Rotarian</u> <u>of the Year.</u>

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 Harraseeket Inn, Freeport, ME.

6/5/12 - Annual Dinner at Papoose Pond Camping Resort. We will need at least 50 people attending. Cocktails and formal dinner to follow.

## Last Week ...

President Beth led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag. Dan led us in song and Glen led us in prayer. Jennifer McMann was a guest of Tally Decato.

Our guest speakers were Mark and Chris Gauger. They told us about Reliv International's mission to *"Nourish the World in Body, Mind and Spirit"*. Reliv's distributors donated more than \$30,000,000 in food aid, supporting more than 270 feeding programs and feeding up to 42,000 people per day, mostly children.

Lynne gave us an update on the exchange student weekend. Since it rained on Friday, they swam in Bethel. Then "No Look Back" Bob took them from Bethel to Shawnee Peak on a GPS route which was via a goat path at one point. But, did Bob turn around? No way, but he made it through to Shawnee Peak anyway.

Steve Galvin was awarded a 7 year purfect attendance pin. *Congratulations!* We were all as much surprised as Steve was. He didn't think he has been a member that long.

The club bowling team comprised of Jack Richardson, Steve Galvin and his lady Debbie, Larry Jordan and Paul Thornfeldt and his wife, Dawne participated in the Big Brothers - Big Sisters Bowl-athon on Saturday. We raised more than \$205.00 for the cause and purchased space on their T-shirt for another \$250.00.

The club's Scholarship Raffle tickets are going to be distributed at today's meeting. Let Rob or Paul know how many tickets you are willing to sell. If all sell 4 or 5 we will have reached our goal. We will have ten weekly prizes of \$100., a grand prize of \$1000, a second prize of \$500 and four third prizes of \$125 each. All proceeds will benefit our scholarship fund for deserving graduating seniors at OHCHS.

President-elect Bob has tickets available for the upcoming dance to support the Special Olympics. The dance is scheduled for April 7, at the Silver Spur in Mechanic Falls. Bob also told us that there will be a couple of gift baskets being raffle off at the dance.

Patty drew Paul's tickets and he drew two blue balls. The pot is not over \$140.00.

Our club is always collecting crutches, walkers, wheel chairs and other medical equipment for the district to be shipped to the needy in other countries. Also, we still can donate coats for the Coat Closet.

March Bírthday's

March 25 - Chris Weston March 27 - Herb Strauss March 31 - Anne Marie Brett

## **Happy Dollars**

**Susan Cairns** was happy that she memorized her lines for the upcoming "Damn Yankees" play at the high school. Plan on attending.

**Patty** was happy to tell us that a new baby cow was born. They named her Princess. She also let us know that a "watched cow doesn't readily calve".

**Tally** was happy that we were able to hear about Reliv International and their good deeds.

**John** told us he was old enough to collect social security. Happy Birthday, John! He donated \$62 for his age and another \$41 in honor of his uncle and his first drink 41 years ago. WOW! That makes John a sustaining member.

**Larry** was happy that two young mentally challenged men that he has been working with can now read a tape measure down the 16's of an inch. Goes to show you that when you give someone a chance they can learn no matter what.

**Paul** received an email from Frank Shorey saying he was happy that at least Jack mentioned his name. He expects many gifts and accolades when he returns in April. We all decided to take up a collection of useless Red Sox and Florida items to give to Frank when he returns from the sunny south.

**Glen** was happy that he and his wife went to the Bethel's club breakfast and then to Carter's for some skiing.

**Beth** was happy to tell us that her grand daughter learned how to ski and that Bob is a wonderful instructor.

## Making up at Neighboring Clubs

Interact Club meets in Room B-112 at 2:30 PM on Thursdays.

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 is fair to all concerned?
 Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
 Will it be beneficial to all concerned?