



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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Rotary Theme for 2013-2014: "Engage Rotary – Change Lives"

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Good Morning and Welcome! Happy day after April Fool's Day! Did you fool anyone or get fooled yourself? This morning we have the April Students of the Month and their guests joining us. Our greeter is Rebecca Dowse. Welcome back, President Dave.

Calendar: The first name listed is 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.

- 4/5 – **Ray Brown Memorial Special Olympics Dance**, Tuscany Hall, South Paris from 8:00-11:00.
 - 4/9 – **Susan Graves** and **Tally Decato**. Susan's guest speaker is Lisa Dunham from the American Cancer Society. She will be talking about Relay for Life.
 - 4/11 – **Career Fair** at Oxford Hills Middle School
 - 4/12 – **District Assembly** at Westbrook Middle School
 - 4/16 – **Glenn Huntley** and **Pat Cook**
 - 4/16 – **Interact** sponsored **Dinner for Donations** for **Relay for Life** at **Applebee's** in Oxford
 - 4/23 – **Larry Jordan** and **Curtis Cole**
 - 4/30 – **Irina Kahn** and **Susan Cairns**
 - 5/6 – **Ropes refresher course** at **OHCHS**
 - 5/7 – **May Students of the Month** and **Mary Lou Burns**
 - 5/7 – **Visioning Committee meeting at 6:00PM.**
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Visiting Rotarians and guests last week: There were no visiting Rotarians. John Roberts was the guest of Glenn Huntley.

A Special Congratulations – we have received word that **Frank Shorey** has been named **Employee of the Year** by the Tampa Bay Rays. Congratulations to Frank on this terrific honor! (See picture on back page)

I also saw on Facebook that **Frank and Connie** were spotted at the ball park wearing special shirts. Frank's said "Together" and "19" and Connie's said "Since" and "64". I checked the anniversary list and it's not quite time for yours yet, but it is getting close. Connie, we don't know how you've done it!

Last Week:

PP Beth Abbott led the meeting in the absence of President Dave. Jack and Dan led us in singing “America the Beautiful” and “Happy Birthday” to Jack Sours and Chris Weston. Breakfast featured scrambled eggs, sausage and scones as well as the usual cereal, fruit and juice.

Timothy A. Churchill, President and CEO of Western Maine Health Care and Deborah Deatrick, MPH Senior Vice-president, Community Health of MaineHealth, spoke about initiatives of their respective employers in concert with the Oxford County Wellness Collaborative. OCWC was formed in response to the County Health Rankings & Roadmaps program’s ranking of Oxford County. CHRR is a collaboration between the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute. CHRR found Oxford County to be 16th out of 16 counties in Maine in terms of overall health during the first year of the program in 2010. As of 2014, Oxford County had improved its position through various efforts and is now ranked 10th in the state. Among efforts involving both country hospitals, Stephen’s Memorial and Rumford Community, both have taken active roles in their respective communities to improve overall health from a proactive standpoint rather than simply reacting to sickness and injuries which is the normal approach of health care providers. The focus here in Oxford Hills has been through Healthy Oxford Hills, an integral program and part of Western Maine Healthcare. More can be found at www.countyhealthrankings.org and www.mainehealthindex.org

Announcements:

Beth – a District Assembly sign-up sheet will be circulated starting this week for the Assembly on April 12th at Westbrook Middle School.

The Bethel club will be serving breakfast again this Sunday, March 30th, at Ordway Hall on the Gould Academy campus. The breakfast runs from 7:30 until 11:00.

Phil – thanked Jack Sours and the Oxford Casino for their contribution to the Oxford Hills Middle School in support of their End-of-the-Trimester Celebration event.

Chris S. – Dance posters are available for our places of business and other locations. Ticket sales remain weak but are steadily selling so it looks like the dance will proceed. A sign-up sheet for various positions during, before and after the dance will be circulated this week.

Curtis S. – we are still looking for one more member to join our team for the BBBS Bowl-for-Kid’s Sake bowl-a-thon on April 12th. The actual time for the team to bowl is still flexible at this time if that helps.

😊 **Happy Dollars:** **Ron** was happy that he had the opportunity to represent the Rotary Club on the Healthy Oxford Hills committee and is also very happy that the two houses that he and Laura own (other than their Norway Lake property) are under contract for sale. **Steve** was happy to be back as he spent most of February bed resting his injured knee. He is doing much better. **Patty** was happy to have headed south to attend the Hampton, NH Rotary Club’s 45th Anniversary celebration. There was no snow and it was 50°. She also had a concerned dollar for a calf that is two weeks overdue. **Chris S.** was happy to have skied with his friend Deb Harris at Bretton Woods over the weekend and was looking forward to another ski weekend this week at Loon Mountain. **Beth** was happy to see significant additional dollars had been raised by Rotary International toward further and hopefully final eradication of polio in southeastern Asia. 😊

50/50 – Patty drew her own number but didn't seem to know how to draw the King of Clubs; instead drawing the King of Hearts. There was \$344 in the pot.

Birthdays in April: Joel Speakman – 4/7; George Rice – 4/12; Kathy (Jack) Richardson – 4/18; Tally Decato – 4/20; Beth Abbott – 4/24; Mike Abbott – 4/26; Jack Richardson – 4/30.

Anniversaries in April: None listed this month.

Membership Anniversaries in April: None listed this month.

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Bethel Inn, Bethel

www.bethelrotary.org

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

www.lakeregionrotary.org

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

www.fryeburgrotary.org

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

www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org

Interact meeting – Thursday, 2:30 PM at OHCHS, Room E220

Remember the 4-Way Test:

1. Is it the truth?
 2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
 3. Will it build Goodwill and better Friendships?
 4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?
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“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.”

~ John Quincy Adams ~

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