

# Rotary



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills

PO Box 14

Norway, ME 04268

Rotary Theme for 2014-2015:

**"Light Up Rotary"**

**Our mission:** "The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills is a diverse group of service oriented men and women providing hands on and financial support within our community and beyond. We exemplify "Service Above Self" while encouraging high ethical standards, enjoying friendship and promoting world understanding, peace and good will."

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### 2014-2015 Officers:

Rotary International President: Gary Huang – Governor, District 7780: Lawrence Furbish – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Christina Twitchell – Pres. Elect: Chris Summers – Vice-pres.: Joel Speakman – Treas.: Pat Cook – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Dave Preble – Community Service Chair: Dan Allen – International Service Chair: Larry Jordan – Club Service Chair: Ron Morse – Youth Services Chair: Curtis Smith – Vocational Service Chair: Ron Morse

**Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Beth Abbott**

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**Welcome!** Today is the 112th day of 2015. There are 253 days remaining in the year. This morning is scheduled to be a Club Assembly. Larry Jordan is our greeter.

**Calendar:** *The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter.* Please let Program Chair Joel Speakman know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. You can reach Joel at 207-381-0081 or at [speakmanbiz@gmail.com](mailto:speakmanbiz@gmail.com). Also please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia.

**4/23 – Membership Committee Meeting** at TD Bank, 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM

**4/24-4/26 – District Conference** at Wentworth by the Sea

**4/28 – Visioning Committee Meeting** 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM at Tally Decato's, 1 Chipman Ave., So. Paris.

**4/29 – Robert Kahn and Glenn Huntley**

**5/6 – May Students of the Month and John Griffith**

**5/16 – May Day Play Day at OHCHS.**

**5/13 – Phil Libby and Susan Graves**

**5/20 – Club Assembly and Tally Decato**

**5/27 – Dave Preble and Pat Cook**

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** There no visiting Rotarians last week. Miranda Ward was the guest of Larry Jordan.

**Membership Proposal** - Miranda Ward of the Progress Center has been proposed for membership by Larry Jordan. Miranda's classification is marketing. If anyone has any comments, questions or concerns, please speak to a board member.

## **Announcements:**

**President Chris T.** – the membership committee met on Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> and it was recommended that a proposer read a synopsis of a proposed member's background to the club when he/she proposes a new member. It was also recommended that the club create Rotary business cards to give to prospective members. The next committee meeting is scheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup> at TD Bank in Oxford.

**President-elect Chris S.** – The dance results were: we raised \$941 for Special Olympics. We won the challenge with the Kiwanis Club with 8 Rotarians attending vs. 6 Kiwanians. Since we don't know what Kiwanis raised, we don't know which club raised the most money. A good time was had by all.

Also thanks to Dave Preble for stepping up to be International Service Chair and to Kim Preble for agreeing to serve as Youth Services Chair. Both changes will take effect July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Phil** – thanked the Rotarians who participated in this year's Career Fair at the middle school on the 10<sup>th</sup>. It was again another successful year for the event.

**Tally** – work is progressing on May Day Play Day. A sign-up sheet was circulated last week for the event to be held Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, at OHCHS.

Tally and Bob attended the District Visioning Meeting in South Portland on Thursday, the 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **Last Week's Program:**

President Chris led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, Dan Allen led us in singing "If You're Happy and You Know it," and Glenn Huntley offered the invocation.

Program Chair Larry Jordan introduced the owners of the Green Machine Bicycle Shop of Norway, John and Angela Harvey. They gave us their background which included how they both met while working at L.L. Bean over 20 years ago. John worked in Bean's bike department and learned much about the business while he was there. They then worked in various other fields in Wyoming and then in Bethel, where they now live a mile off the grid in the wilds. They eventually opened their bike shop in Norway where they provide bike sales, service and rental as well as other bike enthusiast services such as group rides, mountain bike trail construction and spin classes during the winter months. For more information, go to their website: [www.greenmachinebikeshop.com](http://www.greenmachinebikeshop.com).

**😊 Happy Dollars 😊** - **Kim** was happy to announce that there would be a Dining to Donate fund raiser at Applebee's on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. **Joel** was happy that today is the end of tax season. **Glenn** has been hosting three deer in his and Sharon's yard the past few weeks. Sharon is concerned, however, that they have their eyes on their gardens surrounding the house. Glenn had no further comment. **Patty** was happy tax season was over, too, and she had \$17 to match the 17 straight days she'd been working to meet the deadline. She was also happy to report that she had spoken with John Griffith who she said was doing better and was now home from the hospital. **Curtis** also mentioned that he had also spoken with John, sharing their mutual stories about vertigo and how to manage it. In absentia, **John** was happy to be home from the hospital but very disappointed that his trip to Florida is off for this year.

**50/50** – Joel drew the right ticket but the wrong card.

**Birthdays in April** – Joel Speakman – 4/7; George Rice – 4/12; Tally Decato – 4/20; Beth Abbott – 4/24; Mike (Beth) Abbott – 4/26.

**Anniversaries in April:** – None this month.

**Membership Anniversaries in April:** – None this month

### **Make-ups:**

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

[www.bethelrotary.org](http://www.bethelrotary.org)

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

[www.lakeregionrotary.org](http://www.lakeregionrotary.org)

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

[www.fryeburgrotary.org](http://www.fryeburgrotary.org)

**Mountain Valley** – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at Hope Association, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford

[www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org](http://www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org)

**Interact** – Thursday, 2:30 PM, Room B238, OHCHS

### **The Four Way Test:**

- 1. Is it the Truth?**
- 2. Is it Fair to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build Good Will and better Friendships?**
- 4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?**

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