

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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

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Welcome!

Today's greeter is Dave Preble. Our guests today are the Top Students from Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School.

<u>Calendar:</u> <u>The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is Greeter.</u> 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

5/31 - 6/2 - Exchange Students Rafting Adventure

6/3 - Board Meeting - 6:00PM - at the NPC-TV office on Marston St.

6/5 – Club Visioning Meeting – <u>Note: No morning meeting. Instead we will have an evening meeting from 5:00PM-9:00PM at the church. As part of this process, we really need every member to attend. Food and drink provided.</u>

6/9 - Road toll to benefit Special Olympics - Fair St. by the OHCHS tennis courts, 10:00-2:00.

6/12 – the Special Olympians will be joining us for breakfast and Ron Morse

6/19 – Annual Dinner at Papoose Pond Resort in Waterford starting at 5:30PM.

6/26 – Ron Morse and Phil Libby

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: There were no visiting Rotarians or guests this week.

<u>New Member Proposal</u> – Susan Cairns has proposed Joe Rideout as a member. Joe is a Registered Nurse and if he seems familiar, it is because he is the parent of two past Students of the Month. If you have any comments or questions, please speak to one of the board members.

Last Week:

After President Bob opened the meeting, Dave Carter led us in the pledge, Jack Richardson led us in singing "God Bless America" and Glenn Huntley gave the blessing. President Bob asked Pat Cook to come down front where he presented her with a 7 year perfect attendance award. Bob Kahn was our program chair and he updated us on the Affordable Care Act, going over the changes made in 2013 and the changes coming in 2014. Bob's updates are always interesting and informative.

Announcements:

Beth Abbott reminded everyone to complete the on-line survey for the upcoming Visioning meeting on June 5th. So far, only 15 members have completed it. It is important to the process that every member complete it so please do so.

Phil Libby announced the results of the Interact Club food drive at the middle school. The students have collected between 700 and 800 items with the top individual student bringing in over 180 items. The winning home room team received a pizza party on Friday, the 24th.

Dave P. talked about the auction. There are 52 days to go. So far, the sign ups have been really good but we need to make sure that we get out and call on the businesses we have chosen. There was a follow-up meeting at John's house on the 23rd, the focus of which was to build on our list of businesses.

Ron reminded the scholarship committee that there will be a meeting on Friday, the 24th at 11:30 at Joel Speakman's office across from the high school. We have 28 applications for the 7 scholarships.

Patty spoke briefly about the District Conference which was last weekend. It was well attended and very busy with little free time. Different this year were awards for the district Rotarian of the Year. This year, Dru Laduke received the award for his work with Rotary youth and Scott Irving received his for his administrative work. John Rainone was chosen as Rotarian of the Decade. Unfortunately for the District, John is moving to Virginia where he has accepted a position as president of a community college.

Larry attended the District Foundation Seminar on Friday, the 17th at the District Conference. He would like to apply for a grant to support the Alan Day Community Garden in Norway and asked the club if we would support it. The response was an overwhelming yes. Applications have to be in by June 1, so if we don't get an application submitted for this year, we will definitely get one in for next year.

Pat announced that she sent a check for \$100 to the Norway Library to support the bookmobile as voted on by the board at the last board meeting.

Patty told us that Paul Thornfeldt fell yesterday afternoon, the 21st. She said that he was okay but pretty sore and really did a number on his face. Fortunately, he did not hurt the knee he recently had surgery on.

Happy and Sad Dollars: Lois had several happy dollars. She was happy that the number of boxes in her house from Kitty and her family moving in with her and Herb was declining; she was happy that the kids were both now working full time at the family business and that things were going well; she was happy that they were able to find a baby sitter that her grandson likes so the 4 adults could go out to dinner and she was happy that the family had achieved a "balance" in the household. Irina was happy that Chris Twitchell's brother's heart surgery was successful. Stan was happy that Steve was able to help him set a tent last Friday. Patty was happy for the 3 Rotarians who received Rotarian of the Year and Decade awards at the District Conference and she had a sad dollar for Paul. Dave P. was happy to see Frank and even sat beside him. Dave C. reminded everyone that it only costs \$10 for a life time pass to our National Parks. Frank was happy to be back and presented a special gift to Dave P., directly from the Tampa Bay Rays' store.

<u>50/50</u> — Dave Carter drew George Rice's ticket but George did not pick the King of Clubs from the deck. The \$48 in the pot rolled over.

Birthdays in June: Nancy (Dan) Allen – 6/4; David (Chris) Twitchell – 6/5; Barbara Ann (Jack) Sours – 6/14; Becky (Dave) Preble – 6/20; Lynne Schott – 6/21; Larry Jordan – 6/24. There are too many **Anniversaries in June** to list all at once, so the first week: George and Patty Rice, 13 years on 6/3 and Bob and Lynne Schott, 42 years on 6/5.