

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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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 to our annual Dinner!

Tonight, President Bob Schott will be turning the club over to our new 2013-2014 president, Dave Preble.

Calendar: The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is Greeter. Please let President Bob, Program Chair Dave Preble 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

<u>Please note: there have been some adjustments made to the order of the Program Chair and Greeter list due to</u> <u>upcoming events.</u>

6/26 – Special Olympians, Club Assembly and Phil Libby

- **7/1** Board Meeting at the NPC-TV office on Marston St.
- 7/3 Joint Meeting with Kiwanis and Ron Morse
- 7/10 Auction Meeting and Bob Kahn
- 7/13 Annual Auction at OHCHS 10:00 to the end
- 7/17 Ron Morse and Irina Kahn
- 7/24 George Rice and Larry Jordan
- 7/31 Patty Rice and Glenn Huntley

<u>Visiting Rotarians and Guests</u>: There were no visiting Rotarians this week. Chris Weston was the guest of Val Weston and Jessica ? was the guest of Larry Jordan. The Special Olympians were supposed to be with us but did not come. They have been rescheduled for June 26th.

Announcements:

President Bob had several announcements.

- 1) With Patty Rice accepting the position as District Treasurer, she needs someone to be an assistant web manager. If you are interested in helping out, please see Patty.
- 2) We raised \$1,454.35 at the Road Toll on June 9th. At a brief board meeting after today's meeting, the board voted to approve a \$2,500.00 total contribution to Special Olympics made up from the road toll money, the Special Olympics dance in April and general club funds which we budget for.
- 3) Bob also thanked Jack Sours for hosting the club last month at the Casino.

- 4) Reminder that our Annual Change-over Dinner is scheduled for next Wednesday evening at Papoose Pond Resort. Social hour starts at 5:30PM with dinner at 6:30PM. Cost is \$27 per person, being collected by Beth Abbott.
- 5) We received a thank you note from Ashley Charlton, one of our scholarship recipients.

<u>Incoming President Dave</u> thanked Susan Cairns for volunteering to be our Visioning Chair. Our meeting on June 26th will be about the Visioning meeting we had and what it means to our club. <u>Also, there will be an Auction</u> <u>Committee meeting on Wednesday morning, at 7:30AM, June 26th at Tim Horton's.</u> All are welcome!

<u>Pat Cook</u> announced that the board voted to increase our dues to \$150.00 for the coming year. This is due to increased meal costs we incur for the Students of the Month and other guests during the year as well as an increase in dues to RI. If members find it difficult to come up with the whole amount at once, please speak to Pat and she will make other arrangements for you.

Guest Speaker: Our guest speaker was Heather Zimmerman from AmeriCorps/Vista talking about the Maine Hunger Initiative and the summer meal program for students in SAD17. Our school district is considered "well qualified" because more than 50% of the students qualify for reduced price or free meals under USDA guidelines. The summer meal program has no eligibility requirements and is available to all students 18 and under. Students don't have to prove need or show ID. The program has run at Roberts Farm and Paris Elementary but this year is being extended to include 4 more additional sites in the Oxford Hills – Rowe School playground in Norway, Moore Park in South Paris, Oxford Regency MHP in Oxford and the Oxford Town office. These free meals are provided by the USDA and are available 5 days per week from June 26th through August 9th from 11:30 to 1:00. All sites are staffed by volunteers with 2 volunteers per site. To encourage kids to come, there will be games and activities as well. If interested in volunteering, please call Heather at 775-0026 x 2074 or e-mail her at Hzimmerman@preblestreet.com. If any member is interested in being the co-ordinator for the club, as several of us expressed an interest in helping, please speak with incoming President Dave. Beth Abbott told us that the Kiwanis Club has agreed to provide a picnic table for the Oxford Regency MHP site and they challenged us to provide a second table. On a suggestion by Jack Sours, we agreed to use the proceeds from contributions in lieu of the meal cost from our meeting at the Casino to purchase a table and coolers.

Happy & Sad Dollars: Frank was happy the Rays won last night and has a happy dollar for their winning tonight. He was sad about the dues increase because he now would not be able to afford his new golf clubs. Dave P. reminded Frank that the score is Sox 6, Tampa Bay, 2. He was also happy for the Visioning meeting and reminded us that we need to get out there and get those donations for the Auction. Tally had an appreciation dollar for Bob and Lynne and all that they do for the kids in our community. Lynne was glad to be back now that school is over, was sad that she had to chase after some seniors who didn't take their final exams, was pleased that the senior cruise went well and was happy to have given out 20 lbs. of popcorn at Project Grad. Glenn was sad that he couldn't go to the annual meeting due to a prior commitment. Curtis said that someone from Kiwanis told him there was only ½ the normal amount of donations for the auction in the trailer and was happy that Jack Richardson's efforts on behalf of the Paris PD paid off. He also said something about St. Petersburg, the Patriots and Tebow but I didn't catch exactly what. Lois was happy to be hosting the annual dinner at Papoose Pond again this year. Bob was sad that he and Lynne showed up for Joe Rideout's Fireside chat at Tim Horton's last week, not knowing it had been cancelled. He was also happy to win a 1:00AM ping pong game with Jack at Project Grad and was happy to have received a post card from his son from the Grand Canyon.

50/50: Rebecca drew Curtis' ticket but Curtis did not pick the King of Clubs. \$76 in the pot rolls over to next week.

<u>Birthdays in June</u>: 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.

<u>Anniversaries in June</u>: George & Patty Rice, 13 years on 6/3, Bob and Lynne Schott, 42 years on 6/5, Joel and Heather Speakman, 22 years on 6/8, Dave and Anne Carter, 37 years on 6/19, John and Shelley Griffith, 38 years on 6/21, Jack and Kathy Richardson, 45 years on 6/22, Phil and Shawn Libby, 6/25.