



# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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*Rotary Theme for 2013 – 2014: “Engage Rotary – Change Lives”*

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**Welcome! Our program chair today is Rebecca Dowse and our greeter John Griffith. Our guest speaker is Melissa McEntee, Director of Homeless Services, Norway Women’s Shelter.**

**Calendar:** *The first name listed is the 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

**8/14 – Lobster Meeting and Susan Graves**  
**8/17 – Lobster & Steak Fest – OHCHS**  
**8/21 – Lynne Schott and Steve Galvin**  
**8/28 – Bob Schott and Rebecca Dowse**  
**9/4 – Frank Shorey and Tally Decato**

**9/7 – Rafting trip for Exchange Students**  
**9/11 – Curtis Smith and Pat Cook**  
**9/14 – Rotary Family Service Day**  
**9/18 – Jack Sours and Curtis Cole**  
**9/25 – District Governor and Dave Carter**

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** There were no visiting Rotarians. Bruce Cook was once again guest treasurer. Joelle Corey-Whitman and Kirsten Corey were guests of Patty Rice. David Infinger was the guest of Dan Allen.

## **Announcements:**

**Dave - reminded everyone that there will be a board meeting on Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM at his camp.**

Take the first right after Pennesewassee Park, Lane 3, West Shore. Take a right at the fork, then 2<sup>nd</sup> driveway. If it is raining, the meeting will be at the NPC-TV office as usual.

**On Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00AM, there will be a Fireside Chat for David Infinger at Market Square Restaurant.**

Please come if you can.

**The District Newsletter** is now published weekly instead of monthly which gives the clubs more opportunity to publish their events. The most recent issue has an article on the Lobster feed that was submitted by Patty Rice.

**Rotary Family Service Day will be at Camp Sunshine in Casco on September 14.** There will be different landscaping and maintenance projects to do and lunch will be served.

**Don't forget RLI will be in Lewiston on October 19<sup>th</sup>.** This is an excellent opportunity for new members to learn more about Rotary. It's also good for not so new members if you have never been before.

**Lastly, Dave announced that the Oxford Casino has purchased 100 tickets to the Lobster and Steak Fest plus a \$500 donation. As they did last year, the tickets will be distributed to the 4 local nursing homes. This is AWESOME! Thank you so much to the Casino!**

**Glenn** – after introducing our guests, Glenn mentioned that the first fundraiser the club did was a Ski-athon at Carter's for Polio Plus. In light of recent news about new cases of polio, we need to carry on as there is still a lot of work to do. Glenn also talked about women in Rotary and applauded Val Weston for being our first woman president.

**George** – Lobster! Lobster! Lobster! – we have two weeks to sell as many tickets as we can. The food order has to go in two weeks from today, Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheets are going around, but we need everyone to pitch in and help if at all possible.

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

Kirsten Corey gave a wonderful and moving talk about her experience at RYLA. She said that everyone was made to feel welcome right away. The first day, every one was divided into groups called "Legs" and the activities were warm-ups designed to get everyone acquainted and comfortable with each other. The second day was more challenging with more difficult activities and themes with a few unexpected twists thrown in. The third day's activities involved a ropes course. The overriding themes of the week were how to work together as a group, how to accomplish the group's goals, to help people in little ways, to take care of your people and to learn how to be a better leader.

**Happy & Sad Dollars:** **Larry** had an interesting dollar as he related a conversation with the receptionist concerning another worker at the Progress Center. **Frank** announced that there was an 11<sup>th</sup> Commandment, "Thou Shalt Not Hate the Rays" as evidently they are temporarily in first place. **Lynne** was happy to have spent a couple of days in Burlington, VT with her son Ben and his fiancé. She was also happy to announce that a former exchange student from Germany would be coming in September to go rafting with this year's exchange students. **Bruce Cook** was happy to announce that Pat would be back next week after spending the last week in Colorado with her daughter and family which includes a new granddaughter. **Patty** was happy that hers and Beth's dad was home from the hospital after major surgery and is doing well. **Glenn** was happy that his grandson arrived safely from British Columbia and at 3:30AM was explaining his plans for his tree house. **John** was happy that he and Shelley were heading to Prince Edward Island tomorrow for a few days to attend his cousin's and husband's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party. He was also happy for Beth and Patty that their dad was home and doing well. **Steve** was happy for Kirsten's talk and his weekend plans to attend a Roller Derby tournament. **Tally** was happy that Joel was organizing her. **Curtis C.** was happy to have his garage back and **Susan G.** was happy for her wonderful trip to British Columbia to visit her son. Lois had a couple of sad dollars – one that the Reader editor did not get one of her happy dollars entirely correct last week and the second one for having fallen twice. She was also happy that her daughter and family had moved from an RV to the manager's house at the camp ground which gives them substantially more room.

**50/50:** Joelle Corey drew Curtis Cole's ticket but alas, Curtis did not pick the King of Clubs.

**Birthdays in August:** Lois Strauss – 8/8; Mary Lou Burns – 8/11; Chris Summers – 8/17; Irina Kahn – 8/23.

**Anniversaries in August:** There are none listed in the directory so looks like we're off the hook!