The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills PO Box 14 Norway, ME 04268



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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Home Club of PDG George Rice

Welcome! Today is the 321st day of 2016. There are 45 days remaining in the year. Our program chair this morning is Tally Decato. Her guest speaker is Shelly Kennagh who will be talking about BNI. Our greeter is Rachel Brown.

Calendar: The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter. Please let Reader editor John Griffith know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. You can reach John at 207-743-6129 or at griffs2@roadrunner.com. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia.

- 11/17 Progress Center Community Dinner our turn to help out.
- 11/18 Bridgton-Lake Region 25th Anniversary at Bridgton Academy at 6:00 PM, \$35.00 per person.
- 11/23 Glenn Huntley and Dan Allen. Glenn's guest speaker is Rev. Don Mayberry.
- <u>11/30 Trish Logan and Beth Abbott.</u> Guest speaker, Tony Wagner, who will be talking about Visioning.
- 12/7 December Students of the Month and Val Weston
- 12/14 Ron Morse and Chris Weston
- 12/17 Christmas for Teens Concert

<u>Visiting Rotarians and Guests:</u> There were no visiting Rotarians last week. Terry Cole was the guest of Curtis Cole.

Announcements:

<u>Ron Morse</u> – last week was the final day to get cheese orders in for Thanksgiving. Ron and Paul are going to Portland on Saturday, the 12th, to pick them up and will have them ready for distribution at today's meeting. Remember to keep selling them for Christmas.

<u>Tina Fox</u> – thanks to a successful membership drive the last couple of weeks, the Interact Club is now up to 25 members. The kids are very excited about building a float for the Christmas parade and several other projects. The board voted to pay the \$35 entry fee they needed to become a judged float.

<u>Patty Rice</u> – the 17th is our turn to help out at the Progress Center Community Dinner. Our turn will come up again on December 15th. Patty passed around a sign-up sheet for coming dates. If you can help out, please put your name down.

<u>Miranda Ward</u> told us about the Mannequin Challenge, the current social media craze. Miranda asked us to freeze in place while she filmed us at last week's meeting and posted the results on Face Book. We are hoping to go viral!

Reminder - The Bridgton-Lake Region Club is celebrating their 25th Anniversary on Friday, November 18th, at 6:00 PM at Bridgton Academy. Cost is \$35.00 per person. We sponsored them so it would be nice for us to have a good contingent of Oxford Hills Rotarians attend.

Last Week:

The November Students of the Month and their guests were with us last week. They were: Catrina Wilson, 9th grade; Sebastian Brochu, 10th grade; Joanna Bickford, 11th grade; Haley Wakefield, 12th grade. Their write-ups are on the last page of the Reader.

After the students were introduced and presented with their plaque and Rotary 4 Way Test Key chains, George Rice talked about the 4 Way Test and how it came to be about. George had way too much information for me to take notes, so if you would like more information, please speak to George. I am sure he will share his talk with you.

<u>Chris S.</u> had a congratulations dollar for the parents of the students. <u>Dan</u> had a thank-you dollar for Chris S. for connecting him with the librarian at the South Paris Public Library. The library donated 2 boxes of books to our literacy project at Oxford Elementary School and it is likely that this will be occurring regularly. <u>Patty</u> had a thank you dollar for Ron and Liz preparing breakfast for us.

50/50 – Miranda drew Ron's number but Ron drew the 10 of hearts. There was \$68 in the pot.

November Birthdays: Bob Schott - 11/1; Julie (Dan) Hart - 11/4

November Anniversaries: Dan & Julie Hart – 11/8; Glenn & Sharon Huntley – 11/26

November Membership Anniversaries: Ron Morse – 6 years – 11/10; George Rice – 33 years

The 4-Way Test Of the things we think, say or do:

- 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?

Make-ups:

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

www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Community Center, 15 Depot St., Bridgton.

www.lakeregionrotary.org

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

River Valley – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2nd floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org

Interact – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School

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November Students of the Month

Integrity

9th grade - Catrina Wilson - Nominated by her history teacher

"Catrina shows integrity by always being willing to work with any of her peers. She is kind to everyone she meets and looks for every opportunity to make a friend and help someone out. She is respectful to other's opinions in class and is never disruptive or rude. She is also extremely responsible when it comes to completing assignments in honors history. She pushes herself to do her best. Catrina always asks questions when she is unsure and is honest when she needs help with an assignment."

"Catrina asked to eat lunch with me one day because she wants to get to know her teachers. During lunch I asked Catrina if there was anyone in class that she would like to sit near Catrina's response was that she didn't mind who she sat next to, because even if she isn't friends with someone she would like to get to know them."

10th grade – Sebastian Brochu – Nominated by his hospitality and tourism teacher

"Sebastian demonstrates positive leadership in the classroom. He carries out his business in an efficient way that reflects his deep intelligence, sense of humor, respect for others and his moral integrity. When Sebastian acts, others notice. His commanding presence shows no sign of bluster, he is never a bully. Sebastian's actions command mutual respect."

"Sebastian is a rare student that his comfortable with himself, around both his peers and his elders. He has vast experience talking in front of an audience through his work on the OHMS race car. I feel that

Sebastian deserves Student of the Month recognition, not for one specific incident but rather for the positive energy and leadership that he contributes daily."

11th grade – Joanna Bickford – Nominated by the OHCHS librarian

"Joanna is the manager of the cross country team and I have watched her encourage and support her team enthusiastically all season. She works in the library as an aide and is extremely dependable and friendly to all the students who come in."

"It is not one incident but more the way Joanna exudes kindness in every interaction. She is fairly quiet, but I have noticed that she deals with others in a compassionate and respectful way."

12th grade – Haley Wakefield – Nominated by her field hockey coach

"In team decisions, she is always positive and doing what is right for the team and others feelings."

"Haley was given a green card in the game of field hockey for what looked like a push when really her stick got hooked on another player. While sitting out in the penalty chair with the other player, she said she was sorry and that she did not mean to push the player. It was a genuine, caring moment. Haley loves to play hard but would never want to hurt anyone. She apologized on her own with no prompting from me or her teammates."