

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
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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."

2019-2020 Officers:

Rotary International President: Mark D. Maloney, Rotary Club of Decatur, Alabama - District 7780 Governor: Andrew Glazier, Rotary Club of Kittery – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Pat Cook – Pres. Elect: Lynne Schott – Vice-pres.: to be determined – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: George Rice – Club Service Chair: Chris Weston – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

Good Evening and Welcome! Today is the 324th day of 2019. There are 41 days remaining in the year. Patty Rice is our program chair this evening. Her guest speaker is Diane Madden, Executive Director of the Cancer Resource Center of Western Maine. George Rice is our greeter.

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 207-461-7158 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

November:

21 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

27 – Lynne Schott and Dave Preble. AG Chris and Peter Kaurup will be talking about their trip to Guatemala.

December:

1 – Bethel Rotary Country Breakfast at Gould Academy

2 – Board meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:30 PM

4 – Club Assembly and Heidi Ortiz

11 – December Students of the Month and Ron Morse

18 – OHCHS Chorale and Liz Knox. No evening meeting.

19 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

25 – Merry Christmas! No meeting!

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: There were no visiting Rotarians. Our guests were the November Students of the Month and their parents.

Rotary Moment: Greeter Patty Rice reminded us that there are a number of books written by and for Rotarians that we should not forget. While looking for something else at home, she found a book, Daily Joy, given to us by the Bethel Rotary on the occasion of our 30th Anniversary and she read a passage from that book about loving what you do.

Announcements:

Becky announced that today (now last week) is the last day to order wreaths from the church. If you have ordered, please come by the church today, tomorrow or Friday to pick up yours.

Patty told us that the Cancer Resource Center is still looking for volunteers to help out with their "Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving morning. Patty said she would send out an e-mail with what's needed. Please contact Patty or the Cancer Resource Center for more information.

Paul announced that the cheese wheels have been order. He ordered 48 cases which works out to 258 cheese wheels. Becky and Peter will be going to Portland next Tuesday (now tomorrow) to pick up the cheese. The deadline for orders for Christmas delivery is December 10.

Last Week:

President Pat led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, the 4 Way Test and the Rotary prayer. Dan A. led us in singing "Jingle Bells."

Miranda Ward introduced our guest from Special Oympics and presented him a check for \$500.00 for their program.

Tina Fox talked about the Student of the Month program, giving a bit of background and explanation of how it works and how the students are chosen. This month's theme is Integrity. Tina introduced Marissa Rivas, 9th grade; Peter introduced Wyatt Knightly, 10th grade; Val introduced Tanner Morrison, 11th grade; George introduced Broc Larocque, 12th grade. The write-ups for each student are on the back pages of the Reader.

😊 Happy Dollars 😊

AG Chris had a happy \$5 for Paul and Dawne helping him with his firewood.

Tina had a happy dollar for her grandson, Gilbert, who was finally able to go home from the hospital after reaching a weight of 5 pounds.

Dan H. had a happy dollar for the students and their parents and he reminded us that January is Vocational Service month.

George had \$36 happy dollars for his 36 years as a member of Oxford Hills Rotary.

Glenn had a happy dollar for the students and their parents.

50/50 – Interestingly, Dan Allen drew Dan Hart’s number. Alas, Dan drew the 7 of clubs and therefore did not win the \$110.00 in the pot.

November Birthdays – Bob Schott – 11/1; Julie (Dan) Hart – 11/4; Liz Knox – 11/16

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

November Membership Anniversaries – George Rice – 36 yrs. – 11/11

Thought for the Week:

“True terror is to wake up one morning and discover that your high school class is running the country.”

Kurt Vonnegut

Remember the 4-Way Test:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and 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.org

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



November Students of the Month - Integrity

9th grade – Marissa Rivas – nominated by Lance Belanger

Marissa is willing to work with others and offer them assistance. She is kind and extremely patient helping other students. She is also very friendly, responsible and respectful in her day to day interactions with students and staff. Excellent role model – excellent character.

She worked the entire part of class helping a struggling student learn how to play tennis. She did so without being asked. She had no partner and neither did this other student, so she was joining with another student without discriminating or being socially selective.

10th grade – Wyatt Knightly – nominated by Holly Allen

Wyatt continuously goes out of his way to acknowledge other students in the building. He makes them feel appreciated, respected and equal. Even when Wyatt is with other friends, he takes the time to say hello to the Life Skills students. This makes them feel like regular student for a moment and completely makes their day. He is honest, respectful and kind. Wyatt always wants to make others smile.

Within the last two weeks, Wyatt has taken the time to talk to one of our Life Skills students about his likes and hobbies. He speaks to him on a regular basis about everything he loves and makes it a regular occurrence.

11th grade – Tanner Morrison – nominated by Erin Flynn

Tanner is a great young man who is kind, honest, loyal, respectful and responsible. He has great attendance, is involved in the overall life of the school and works hard to bring a positive attitude every day.

Tanner has been involved in the overall life of our high school, playing lacrosse, JV basketball and singing in the choir. Whenever I see him, he greets me with a huge smile and a positive attitude. I frequently observe him being kind to others and going out of his way to be helpful. He is the kind of student who holds the door for others, would help a teacher with anything in the classroom and can be counted on to show up with a positive, can do attitude. He's a great young man and I think highly of him. He could probably be nominated for any of the themes each month but when I saw this month's theme of integrity, he came to mind right away. He is a student I can trust and count on.

12th grade – Broc Larocque – nominated by Ronald Fowler

Broc always looks after his students and keeps his word. He has, on many occasions, gone far above and beyond his rank-responsibility to ensure that students are following the rules, being kind to each other and acting in responsible manner. He embodies the spirit of integrity and does so with the best of intentions. He is the perfect candidate for the November integrity nomination.

When we were playing soccer outside, Broc was ensuring that everyone was following the rules, being kind to each other and acting in a way that is becoming of a Law Enforcement student. When a fellow classmate hurt her ankle, Broc and another student stopped the game, checked on the student and helped carry her to the nurse's office to have it looked at. Broc was unaware that I was observing his behavior throughout this event and acted in the highest regard for our code of ethics. This was a very high demonstration of integrity.