

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
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Wednesday, January 18, 2023

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.”

2022-2023 Officers:

Rotary International President: Jennifer Jones, Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Windsor, Ontario, Canada - District 7780 Governor: Claudia Frost, Rotary Club of Brunswick – Oxford Hills Rotary President – George Rice – President-Elect: Beth Abbott – Vice-president: Dan Allen - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Club Service Chair: Paul Thornfeldt – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Peter Kaurup - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice

Welcome and Good Morning! Today is the 18th day of 2022. There are 347 days remaining in the year. This morning, we have our second Vocational Service month guest speaker, SAD 17 Superintendent, Heather Manchester. Tally Decato is scheduled to be our greeter.

Calendar: *The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter.* Please let Reader editor John Griffith John 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 paraphernalia.

January:

25 – Vocational Service Speaker, Sarah Hess from the Progress Center and Connor Burnam

February:

1 – Vocational Service Speaker, Jeff Preble, Civil Engineer from Wright-Pierce and Leanna Bowie

8 – February Students of the Month and Dan Allen

15 – Ron Morse and Beth Abbott

22 – Alice Paul and Val Weston

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

I don't have the sign-in sheet and don't remember if we had any visiting Rotarians or guests last week. Frank, Joel and Lynne joined us on Zoom.

Rotary Moment:

For Vocational Service Month, Greeter Curtis Cole defined "vocation" for us: a strong feeling of suitability for a particular career or occupation; a person's employment or main occupation, especially regarded as particularly worthy and requiring great dedication. An "avocation" on the other hand is: a hobby or minor occupation.

Announcements:

Don't forget that we are going to pass the hat for the kitchen staff again this week as we did not have many members in attendance last week.

Please remember that the Cancer Resource Center is looking for drivers to help people get to their doctor's appointments, etc. If this is something you are interested in doing, speak to Peter for more info.

Don't forget to send George your monthly volunteer hours or write them in the book. It is important that we continue to do this.

Last Week:

President George led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. Dan Allen led us in singing "My Country 'tis of Thee" and Curtis Cole gave the blessing.

Before turning the program over to Tina Fox and the January Students of the Month, President George presented Tina with a Paul Harris Fellow pin. I did not catch what level. Congratulations Tina! He also presented Peter and Becky Kaurup with their PHF+7 and PHF+5 pins. Congratulations Peter and Becky!

Tina talked about the Student of the Month program, then after the Students were introduced and given their awards, President George talked about Rotary and Tina talked about RYLA and Interact. The Student's write-ups are on the last page of the Reader.

🤑 Happy and Sad Dollars 🤑

Dan H. was happy for the Students being with us and let us know that SAD 17 Superintendent Heather Manchester would be our second Vocational month speaker.

50/50 – Secretary John's number was drawn but he did not draw the King of Clubs. There was \$62.00 in the pot.

Puns for the Week:

“I wanted to go to Target last week, but I missed.”

“A rabbit goes to the dentist, and the dentist says, ‘I need to pull a tooth, but I’ll give you Novocain.’ The rabbit answered, ‘Uh-uh! Not me, Doc. I’m an ether bunny.’”

January is Vocational Service Month:

“Vocational service gives Rotarians the opportunity to help others escape poverty and gain a measure of self-respect. As business and professional leaders, we have a duty to lead and encourage good ethics through vocation.”

~ Carlos Frum, PDG, District 6640 ~

Birthdays and Anniversaries

January Birthdays – Stan Brett – 1/3; Heather (Joel) Speakman – 1/9; Dan Allen – 1/22

January Wedding Anniversaries – Liz & David Knox – 1/22

January Membership Anniversaries – Dan Hart – 39 yrs. – 1/1; Dave Preble - 40 yrs. – 1/1; Warren Spencer – 41 yrs. – 1/1; Stan Brett – 29 yrs. – 1/4; Paul Thornfeldt – 31 yrs. – 1/8; Peter Kaurup – 5 yrs. – 1/24

Make-Ups:

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

www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Stella’s on the Square, 6 North High 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

January Students of the Month 2023

Students who show a passion for a particular long-term goal along with a powerful motivation to achieve that goal and who also can see the reward in helping others.

Grade 9 - Madeline Poland

Nominating Staff members: Megan Wing, & Pat Carson

Maddie is kind and helpful to her peers. She encourages those around her to do well and cheers them on. Maddie participates in different activities but still maintains high academics. She truly makes the school and classroom a better place. Maddie taught an entire math class on her own this year

Pat had to said: Maddie has been nominated by all 5 of her teachers as being one of the most polite, respectful, helpful students on Team 2. She also elevated the learning experiences in her classes by always participating in discussion, group work and asking helpful questions. Her kindness is reflective in how willing she is to help other students, especially in Math. Maddie hopes to someday become a 1st Grade Teacher and she has the skill set of responsibility and intelligence to be a leader of the next generation. She continues to do this while being a 3-sport student-athlete.

Grade 10 - Arielle Hodgkin

Nominating Staff member: Shellie Leger

Arielle is always present, on time, in the front, eager and dedicated to learning new and different things. When Aari feels "stuck", or needs clarification, she is quick to ask. Twice, Aari has come to my cubicle on her own time for one-on-one help, which is clearly reflected in her grades. She is always helpful to her desk-mate as well, making sure that he is up-to-speed.

Grade 11 - Emily Reed

Nominating Staff Member: Chuck Martin

Emily helped students in AIP (afterschool intervention program), volunteering on several days. After working in the health class, she came down to my room introduced herself and began to help those students in my science class. Since then, she has stopped by my room to offer her

help for those students in my room to catch up in science classes. The one-on-one assistance is sometimes all these students need. She is a very polite young lady helpful in many ways. She has also been helping in the main office and health office assisting where she is needed.

Grade 12 - Nate Temple

Nominating Staff Members: Amanda Cormier, Elizabeth Cheevers-Young, Jesse Brooks

Nate is a friendly, polite, and social student. He is always willing to help his classmates and has made great strides with his own learning. Nate is very invested in his future and has a great plan after graduation. He is a real pleasure to have in class and he has a great future ahead of him.