# The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



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

### Wednesday, January 19, 2022

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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#### **2021-2022 Officers:**

Rotary International President: Shekhar Mehta, Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanager, India - District 7780 Governor: Dick Hall, Rotary Club of Portland – Oxford Hills Rotary Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Co-Pres. Elect: Vacant – Vice-president: Vacant - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Lynne Schott – Club Service Chair: George Rice – 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**

**Good Evening Welcome!** Today is the 19th day of 2022. There are 346 days remaining in the year. We are having our evening social meeting for January. In keeping with Vocational Service month, former member Perry Palmer is our guest speaker. Our greeter is Lynne Schott.

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 <a href="mailto:griffs2@roadrunner.com">griffs2@roadrunner.com</a>. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club's paraphernalia.

#### January:

26 – <u>Vocational Service Speakers</u> and <u>Bob Schott</u>. Mike Dailey, Paris Police Chief, will be our Vocational speaker. There is a second slot available for this meeting if you wish to ask someone to come and talk to us.

28 – Set tent in South Portland for the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary club. Time tba.

31 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:00 PM

## February:

- **2 <u>Vocational Speaker</u>** and <u>Patty Rice</u>. Our speaker will be Rick Bennett from Oxford.
- 9 Students of the Month and George Rice
- 16 Evening Social Meeting and Dave Preble
- 23 Ron Morse and Alice Paul
- 26 Community Spaghetti Dinner at South Paris Fire Station, time TBA
- 28 Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:30 PM

## **Visiting Rotarians and Guests:**

We did not have any visiting Rotarians. Our guests were the Students of the Month and their parents. I did not note who joined us on Zoom.

### **Rotary Moment:**

<u>Greeter Warren Spencer</u> reminisced about his 40 years in Rotary and all the wonderful people he has met during that time, the events, the exchange students that he and Susan looked up during their travels and how much his life has been enriched by being a Rotarian.

### **Announcements:**

**Co-President Chris** read a thank-you letter that we received from the Dictionary Project.

Chris also talked about the Spaghetti dinner we have scheduled for February 26. He asked for additional volunteers and said he would be contacting all volunteers shortly about a meeting to plan the event. Tina said the Interact Club was also interesting in helping.

<u>Continuing Reminder</u> be sure to enter you extra hours in the log book, or e-mail or otherwise inform George of the extra time you put in for the month. It's easier to do it once a week than wait until the end of the month and try to remember what you did.

#### **Last Week:**

Co-President Chris led us in the Pledge and 4 Way Test. Curtis Cole gave the blessing. After the announcements, Tina Fox led the introductions of the Students of the Month. Their write-ups are on the last page of the Reader.

## **© Happy and Sad Dollars**

<u>Paul</u> was happy that Dawne has returned home from Vancouver after visiting her mother and other family during the holidays, as he said he had run out of underwear and cookies. He also had a malignancy removed from his arm and is glad to have that taken care of.

<u>Dan H.</u> had a reminder dollar that next week (now this week) is our evening social dinner, and that if you wish to attend, please let him know by Sunday afternoon. He also had happy dollars for the students.

<u>Lynne</u> had sad dollars for her son, wife and grandson as they are still having problems at the Canadian border.

**Bob** said that the first student he taught skiing had an accent that he couldn't quite put his finger on. Turns out that the student was an American but spoke five languages, thus accounting for their unusual accent.

**John** had greetings dollars from Frank Shorey and Marie Williams, who wanted to be remembered to the group.

50/50 – Liz drew her own number but her luck didn't hold as she didn't draw the King of Clubs. Sorry Liz.

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

<u>January Birthdays –</u> Stan Brett – 1/3; Ed Millett – 1/9; Heidi Ortiz – 1/9; Heather (Joel) Speakman – 1/9; Dan Allen – 1/22

**January Wedding Anniversaries** – Liz and Dave Knox – 1/22

<u>January Membership Anniversaries</u> Dan Hart -38 yrs. - 1/1; Dave Preble -39 yrs. - 1/1; Warren Spencer -40 yrs. - 1/1; Stan Brett -28 yrs. - 1/4; Paul Thornfeldt -30 yrs. - 1/8; Peter Kaurup -4 yrs. - 1/24

# Riddle for the Week

Why did the clock get removed from the library? Because it tocked too much!

## **Vocational Service - Quote for the Week:**

"A job is a vocation only if someone else calls you to do it for them rather than for yourself. And so, our work can be a calling only if it is reimagined as a mission of service to something beyond merely our own interests. Thinking of work mainly as a means of self-fulfillment and self-realization slowly crushes a person."

~ Timothy Keller ~

### 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.org

**River Valley** – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

The theme for January is Positive Leadership: Students who demonstrate leadership abilities that help others in a positive direction.

9th grade: Dean Rudman

Nominating Teacher: Macey Lefebvre

Dean is an excellent student. But on top of that, he is good to his classmates and friends and always shows up to class with a positive attitude that I appreciate! Today Dean went to a different class for tutorial and things seemed a little less productive in our class than normal. I asked the kids what was going on and they said it was probably because Dean wasn't there! The kids love and respect him.

**10**<sup>th</sup> **grade** student would like to be anonymous.

11th grade Maddalyn Stack

Nominating Teachers: Cindi Kugell & Tina Fox

Cindi said Maddy is always on time and current with all assignments in photo 1. It's a challenging class and she is a fantastic role model for the other students in the class. Maddy took the initiative to start a new photography assignment before it was introduced. She did the formative work on her own sharing correct concepts and then was able to take photographs demonstrating those concepts. She is a hard worker with good initiative and a great young photographer. I would LOVE to have a whole class of leaders like Maddy!

Tina said: Maddy is so helpful when working in her lab group in our new STEM class, she takes the initiative and helps keep the class moving smoothly. I also have Maddy in math III class she works well with her partner and ask questions in class to help lead great discussions. She also has taken a leadership role with our interact club this year as well. She helps her peers see value in helping and giving to the local community.

#### 12th grade Isaiah Ouifiero

Nominating Teacher: Roland Godbout

Isaiah is always willing to represent his class (2022) and Law Enforcement class by offering his assistance and aid in any situation provided. Isaiah certainly exemplifies the importance of giving back to the community and being a community leader. Isaiah has volunteered at a local community store with a few other students to move equipment since the store has always been supportive of the community. It was his way of giving back. Isaiah also assisted an elderly person by assisting her move her belongings to another home. Isaiah's leadership roles help his peers see the importance in giving back.