

Rotary



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills

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Rotary Theme for 2015-2016:

"Be a gift to the world"

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."

2015-2016 Officers:

Rotary International President: K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran – District 7780 Governor: Sheila Rollins – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Chris Summers – Pres. Elect: Joel Speakman – Vice-pres.: Chris Weston – Treas.: Pat Cook – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Christina Twitchell – Club Service Chair: Ron Morse – Vocational Service Chair: Community Service Chair: Dan Allen; Phil Libby – International Service Chair: Dave Preble – Youth Service Chair: Kim Preble

Home Club of PDG George Rice and AG Beth Abbott

Welcome! Today is the 41st day of 2016. There are 325 days remaining in the year. Ron Morse is program chair this morning. His guest speaker is Shannon Moxcey, General Assistance Administrator for Norway, Paris and other local towns. Lynne Schott 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 207-743-6129 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.

2/17 – Dave Preble and Patty Rice

2/17 – February Food Baskets

2/20 – World Peace & Understanding Dinner, Sable Oaks, So. Portland, 5:30PM – 9:00PM

2/24 – Kim Preble and George Rice

2/29 – March Board Meeting at TD Bank in Oxford, 5:30PM – 6:30PM

3/2 – March Students of the Month and Kim Preble

3/9 – Deb Harris and Dave Preble

3/16 – George Rice and Ron Morse

Thought for the Week:

"If you are lonely when you're alone, you are in bad company"

~John-Paul Sartre~

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: The Students of the Month and their parents were our guests last week. There were no visiting Rotarians.

Rotary Moment – Bob had a brief but thoughtful Rotary moment to share. “I am one person. If there are many of me, we can do many things.”

Announcements:

President Chris – Reminder that our February board meeting is this coming Monday at 5:30 at TD Bank. It was moved from the 1st due to a conflict with the Mid-year Dinner.

Also don't forget to sign up for the World Peace and Understanding Dinner in South Portland on the 20th. DG Sheila Rollins is hoping for a great turn out.

Ron – We will be doing the February Food Baskets after our meeting next week. We need 10 people to make 5 teams of 2 to deliver 4 baskets each. A sign-up sheet was passed around and was filled up except for alternates.

Last Week:

The February Students of the Month were our guests. Their information is on the back page of the Reader. President Chris talked about Rotary and some of the things we do that the students might be interested in – the Four Way Test Competition with a 1st prize of \$750, 2nd prize of \$500 and a 3rd prize of \$250; Rotary Exchange Student program and RYLA. Ron talked about May Day Play Day as an opportunity for the students to help out and the Rotary scholarships to seniors. Dave talked about being in Rotary for 33 years and it being a way to give back to the community. Dan finished up by talking about polio and other Rotary programs and events.

 **Happy Dollars**  - **Miranda** – Bangor Savings Bank has a program called Community Matters More. If you go in to Bangor.com, you can vote for the Progress Center as your favorite charity. The grand prize is \$5,000.00 so please vote. **Bob** was happy that the OH exchange student can now ski!

50/50 – Val's number was drawn but she didn't draw the King of Clubs. There was \$259.00 in the pot.

February Birthdays: Pat Cook – 2/13; Ron Morse – 2/24

February Wedding Anniversaries: Jack and Barbara Sours – 2/26

February Membership Anniversaries: Pat Cook – 16 years – 2/2

Make-ups:

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

www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Bridgton Alliance Church, Harrison Rd., 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, 2:30 PM, Room A200, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School

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?



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February Students of the Month

9th grade – Samantha McKinnon – nominated by her science and history teachers.

Samantha shows respect, honesty, integrity, responsibility, generosity, compassion, grit and academic achievement.

“Samantha listens well to directions that I give and listens very well to her peers in the circles that I have. She does all her work very well and well beyond the expectations that I ask. She is responsible; if she is home sick, she will e-mail me asking what she should do and will pass that work in within two days of being absent. She is honest; she once told me that she did not complete her homework because she was sick and fell asleep doing it, then apologized for not having it finished. Samantha will help out in the classroom, if something needs to be done, ie: stacking chairs at the end of class.”

“As a new student to OHCHS, Samantha has come in and totally exemplifies what a great student is. She is polite, kind, intelligent and always does her very best on her assignments. She has made an excellent transition to a new school. In class, Samantha is a very high achieving student, She recognizes this and goes out of her way to help her classmates with the assignments. She does this in a very respectful way.”

10th grade – Morgan Reavis – nominated by her drama teacher

Morgan shows moral courage, integrity and responsibility.

“I have the pleasure of having Morgan in my drama course this year. She is very shy and performing comes hard to her. She bravely took on a small role in our first performance and has since taken a more challenging role in our spring production. I am extremely proud of her courage.”

“Morgan is not a loud talker. Delivering lines in a performance, you need to be loud. She has taken the initiative to better herself as a performer by embracing her role and trying her best to do it justice. She’s doing a wonderful job and I’m so pleased to see her confidence grow.”

11th grade – Marie Martin – nominated by her history teacher

Marie shows respect, honesty, integrity and responsibility

“Marie is a hard worker and is very diligent in completing all of her tasks. She is always smiling and willing to help those around her.”

“There is not one specific event of incident that made me think of her deserving this recognition, but her behavior and upbeat attitude make me feel she is worthy of this recognition. She keeps her nose to the grindstone and is a joy to have in the classroom.”

12th grade – Nathaniel Webster – nominated by his English teacher

Nate shows generosity and responsibility.

“After Nate had completed his senior paper, he assisted other students in formatting and citations. I didn’t ask him to do it, he saw students needing help and just offered to share his knowledge about the paper writing process. Nate always gets right to work and shows other students that even when things are difficult, they need to get it done.”