# 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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#### **2016-2017 Officers:**

Rotary International President: John Germ - District 7780 Governor: Marge Barker - Oxford Hills Rotary President: Joel Speakman - Pres. Elect: Chris Weston - Vice-pres.: George Rice - Treas.: Pat Cook - Sec.: John Griffith - Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett - Past pres.: Chris Summers - Club Service Chair: Ron Morse - Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Dan Allen - International Service Chair: Beth Abbott - Youth Service Chair: Lynne Schott

### **Home Club of PDG George Rice**

<u>Welcome!</u> Today is the 53rd day of 2017. There are 312 days remaining in the year. Chris Summers is program chair this morning and Glenn Huntley is 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 <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.

2/22 - Food Basket shopping and delivery, 9:00 AM at Hannaford

2/23-2/25 - World Peace Days

2/27 – March Board Meeting at Joel's office in South Paris, 5:30PM.

3/1 – Miranda Ward and Dan Hart

3/8 – March Students of the Month and Susan Graves

3/17 - Friday Meeting with Exchange Students & Interact for their ski weekend and Beth Garza

3/22 - Chris Weston and Tally Decato

#### **Announcements:**

<u>President Joel –</u> The March board meeting will be on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at Joel's office in South Paris at 5:30PM.

District Conference information is now available on line if you want to check it out or speak to Joel and he will share the info with you.

February Birthdays: Shelley (John) Griffith – 2/4; Pat Cook – 2/13; Ron Morse – 2/24

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

February Membership Anniversaries: Pat Cook – 17 years – 2/2

#### Thought for the week:

"Let me never fall into the vulgar mistake that I am persecuted whenever I am contradicted."

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson ~ 1803-1882

## The Core Values of Rotary are:

Diversity Fellowship Integrity Leadership Service

## 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, 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

Here are the write-ups for the <u>February Students of the Month.</u> February Students were recognized for their "compassion and generosity" - -

### 9th grade – Frankie Wells – nominated by his World History teacher.

"Frankie is always willing to help out his friends and peers. He goes the extra mile when they are feeling down and also helps out classmates when asked to by a teacher."

"Every other day, Frankie goes to the cafeteria to help another student get his lunch. He goes out of his way to do this and never complains."

### 10<sup>th</sup> grade – PJ Gallant – nominated by her Key Club Advisor.

"PJ has a very kind heart and is always thinking of others. She loves helping her community in her free time. As a member of Key Club, she has participated in a lot of community service. When PJ is worried about a friend, she goes out of her way to help them."

"There have been many times that PJ has shown compassion and generosity. In November, PJ was very excited to be able to put together Thanksgiving baskets for families in the community that needed food. PJ was very willing to help deliver some of the heavy bundles of food."

## 11<sup>th</sup> grade – Samantha Bowers – nominated by her Latin teacher

"Sam is one of the most empathetic students I've had the pleasure of meeting at Oxford Hills, and her compassion is readily apparent from the interactions I've witnessed between her and her peers. Sam is genuinely interested in the problems many of my students discuss during class – trivial or substantial as they may be. Rather than casting judgment or dismissing concerns of her peers, Sam makes an effort to understand the perspective of her fellow students and to try to offer opposite advice on how her peers might address the issues at hand."

"Sensitive issues including politics and religion have come up in my class while we were discussing Roman government or Roman mythology. While many of my students were quick to attack or belittle different ideologies and those who adhere to them, Sam tried to find common ground between seemingly irreconcilable philosophies or positions. Sam has demonstrated time and time again that she welcolms perspectives different from her own and that she can find the best in everyone."

# 12<sup>th</sup> grade – Brittany Farrar – nominated by her Graphic and Printing Technology teacher.

"Brittany is a student who not only works well with others but is always willing to help other students when she is asked. She is a hard worker and takes on many extra projects (live work) to help me. She always shows respect to her fellow students even if she does not necessarily agree with them."

"She took on a large live job that included her working on alumni t-shirts and signs. She did this on her own time and followed through to meet the deadline. Brittany is an excellent student and worker.

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