



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
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Wednesday, February 16, 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."

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 and Welcome! Today is the 47th day of 2022. There are 318 days remaining in the year. We are having our monthly evening meeting and dinner. Perry Palmer is scheduled to attend and will be giving his postponed Vocational talk. Dave Preble is scheduled to be 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 paraphernalia.

February:

22 – Rotary District World Peace and Understanding Event via Zoom, 6:00 PM-7:00 PM.

23 – Ron Morse and Alice Paul. Our guest speaker will be Susan Black, MD, from the Brunswick Coastal Rotary who will be speaking about her club's fundraiser for Village Health Works in Kigutu, Burundi.

28 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office, 5:30 PM

March:

2 – [Classification talks](#) and Ron Morse

9 – [District New Member Orientation Program via Zoom, 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM](#)

9 – [March Students of the Month](#) and Ed Millett

16 – [Evening Meeting](#) and Liz Knox

26 – [Community Spaghetti Dinner, South Paris Fire Station](#)

30 – [Alice Paul](#) and [Becky Kaurup](#)

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

There were no visiting Rotarians. Our guests were the February Students of the Month and their guests. or guests noted. Dan A., Lynne, Frank and Joel attended via Zoom.

Rotary Moment:

Greeter George Rice talked about [50 Things Every Rotarian Should Know](#). Google it for the details. George also referred to an article in [Rotary](#) magazine about a club in Franklin, Tennessee, that started a cemetery clean-up – which reminded him of Peter and our cleaning the cemetery on Paris Hill.

Announcements:

There were no announcements.

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.

Proposed Slate of Officers for 2022-2023

At the last board meeting on January 31, 2022, the board voted to appoint the following officers for the 2022-2023 Rotary year:

President: George Rice

President-elect: Beth Abbot

Vice President: Alice Paul

Immediate Past Co-Presidents: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers

Secretary: John Griffith

Treasurer: Liz Knox

Director of Community Service: Peter Kaurup

Director of Club Service: Paul Thornfeldt

Director of Vocational Service: Dan Hart
Director of International Service: Val Weston
Director of Youth Services: Tina Fox
Sergeant-at-Arms: Stan Brett
Club Protection Officer: Dan Hart

Last Week:

Co-President Chris led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. Curtis gave the blessing and George gave the Rotary moment.

Tina Fox gave a brief update on the Students of the Month program. This month's theme is Positive Leadership. Co-President Peter introduced Freshman Emily Sanborn, Tina introduced Sophomore Milo Knowles and Junior Elizabeth Hallee, and Val introduced Senior Xavier Cooper. After the student's introductions and presentations, Co-President Chris talked about the 4 Way Test and Tina talked about RYLA. The student write-ups are at the end of the Reader.

😊 Happy and Sad Dollars 😊

Helen Cooper, grandmother of student Xavier Cooper, had a happy dollar for Rotary and what we do in the community.

Val Weston said she talked with PP Pat Cook recently and that Pat wanted to be remembered to everyone.

Bob Schott was happy to be taking two youngsters skiing on Sunday. He said they are making slow progress.

Paul Thornfeldt asked the students if they received a dictionary from us in 3rd grade and if they still had it. One student replied in the affirmative.

50/50 – Stan asked Ron to draw the winning ticket which turned out to be Dan H.'s number, but Dan drew the Jack of Clubs.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

February Birthdays – Shelley (John) Griffith – 2/4; Matthew (Jen) Sherbinski – 2/15; Ron Morse – 2/24

February Wedding Anniversaries – None listed

February Membership Anniversaries – Heidi Ortiz – 3 yrs. – 2/20

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

“Peace we want because there is another war to fight: against poverty and disease.”

~ Indira Ghandi ~

Pun for the Week:

I wanted to be a Gregorian monk but I didn't get the chants!

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

February Students of the Month 2022

Theme:

Positive Leadership: Students who demonstrate leadership abilities that help guide others in a positive direction. They see the importance of their education and that of their peers through their actions in class. They share their passion for school in every way.

9th Grade: Emily Sanborn

Nominating Teacher: Jolene Twombly-Wise

Emily doesn't do half-measures. She brings 100% each and every class. She has a dogged determination to make sense of every word of every text we read, annotating each page with fervor and focus. During our discussions she asks complex and nuanced questions. This "ups the game" for her peers, requiring them to engage more skillfully. Emily has an incredible ability to pick up on nuance and make inferences. She recently partnered with me to map out a very complex family tree, so we could better understand the several generations of characters at play in the story. This took tenacity and patience. Emily showed a commitment to staying with it until we figured it out. Having the family tree visual was a huge asset as we explored the meaning of the story.

10th Grade: Milo Knowles

Nominating Teacher: Cindi Kugell

Milo is fierce! (Even if they don't recognize it in themselves yet) They are kind and strong and can move on from stressful situations or situations that may be upsetting. They are also a fantastic artist! Very skilled and full of passion, a true inspiration. Milo was having a tough day and not making a ton of progress on class work. They were able to put their stress and upset aside and create some beautiful work. Encouraging students and complementing their success can be really powerful. I'd like to thank Milo for listening and participating in good conversation that led to both of us, teacher, and student, having a more successful day. I'm really proud of them, I hope they are proud of themselves too! You've got this Milo!

11th Grade: Elizabeth Hallee

Nominating Teacher: Lauren Boucher

Lizzy always shows up to class in a good mood, regardless of it being the first class of the day. She is prepared for class, cares about doing well, and wants to learn the material. Lizzy is kind to others in class and tries to include everyone in the activities or conversations we are having.

It always warms my heart to see her interacting with the quiet kids and making sure they feel seen/heard.

12th Grade: Xavier Cooper

Nominating Teacher: Cindi Kugell

Xavier is creative and so fun to talk with. He is kind and friendly and an inspiration to his classmates. He has a great work ethic and prides himself on turning in quality work. His is helpful to his peers and always willing to give of his time. He is a true joy to have in class and I'm thankful that he took photography this year! Xavier sits with a classmate that truly enjoys his help and his ability to keep her on track. He always checks in with her to make sure she understands what the expectations are. I think he'd make a great educator ;-). He also prides himself on turning in sharp, quality photographs. He has turned in some of the best photographs that I have seen in the past few years. I'm super proud of his work ethic and his willingness to re-do assignments that don't meet his expectations. I can see so much growth in his abilities both creation wise and personally. I'm sorry I can't snag him for advanced photography next semester, he is a great student and truly talented - Woot!