



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills  
PO Box 14  
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**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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### 2020-2021 Officers:

Rotary International President: Holger Knaack, Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Molln - District 7780 Governor: Marguerite Belanger, Rotary Club of Kennebunk-Portside – Oxford Hills Rotary President: Lynne Schott – Co Pres. Elect: Peter Kaurup and Chris Summers – Vice-president: vacant - Treas.: Liz Knox – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Pat Cook – 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 and AG Chris Summers

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**Good Morning and Welcome!** Today is the 48th day of 2021. There are 317 days remaining in the year. Tina Fox is our program chair this morning and Paul Thornfeldt 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 207-461-7158 or at [griffs2@roadrunner.com](mailto: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.

### February:

24 – John Griffith and AG Chris Summers. Our guest speakers will be Pat Wiegel, CEO and Board Chair of Norway Savings Bank and Dan Walsh, the new President of the bank.

### March:

1 – Board Meeting at South Paris Town Office and on Zoom

3 – Club Assembly and Warren Spencer

10 – Dan Hart and Joel Speakman. Dan will be presenting our Annual Club Protection meeting.

17 – Glenn Huntley and Frank Shorey

24 – Becky Kaurup and Dave Preble

### **Visiting Rotarians and Guests:**

We had three visiting Rotarians, Lois Strauss from Estero, Florida and our guest speakers, Graham Shelton and Alan Godfrey from the Rotary Club of Oxford North, England.

### **Rotary Moment:**

International Service Chair and greeter this week, Val Weston, brought our attention to the District Face Book page where we can learn about all of the international projects happening in District 7780.

### **Last Week:**

We had our fifteenth Zoom meeting with 27 members in attendance. Greeter Val Weston led us in the Pledge and 4 Way Test.

Peter Kaurup introduced our guest speakers – well, he introduced Graham Shelton, President of the Oxford North Rotary Club in Oxford, England and Graham introduced Alan Godfrey who was the program presenter. Graham had to leave our meeting to preside at his club's weekly meeting.

Alan began by explaining how the Oxford North club came up with the idea of a virtual walk across North America, visiting all of the Oxfords and hopefully connecting with Rotary clubs in those towns, or if there is no Rotary club in a particular Oxford, a club nearby. The Oxford North club is doing this as a fund raiser and to connect with other Rotarians across the world. They previously did a virtual walk through Europe and enjoyed it so much that they decided to do one for North America. Alan did a power point presentation, showing pictures and talking about the history of Oxford, England and the Rotary Clubs there. If anyone has watched Inspector Morse or one of dozens of other British television shows, some of the pictures were very familiar. Alan then talked about the virtual walk and answered many questions from our group. It was a wonderful program and a great chance to visit with another Rotary Club. I don't think we've ever had a one hour meeting that went by so quickly. Here is the contact information if you wish to contact Alan or donate through Go Fund Me or Pay Pal.

Alan's personal email is alan@co-op.com

GoFundMe page link:

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/virtual-walk-to-oxfords-of-n-america?utm\\_source=customer&utm\\_medium=copy\\_link&utm\\_campaign=p\\_cf+share-flow-1](https://www.gofundme.com/f/virtual-walk-to-oxfords-of-n-america?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1)

PayPal donation page link:

[https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted\\_button\\_id=CVV7QX7KNGFQY](https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=CVV7QX7KNGFQY)

### *Happy and Sad Dollars:*

Frank – was happy that he and Connie got appointments to have their virus vaccine shots.

John was happy to present four perfect attendance awards – Patty Rice for 28 years, George Rice for 27 years, Stan Brett for 25 years and Joel Speakman for 3 years.

Patty had happy dollars for her and George's two new calves, a boy and a girl. Not certain on the names but looks like they might be called Brady and Giselle.

Tina delivered masks to five of the six elementary schools and said the kids were very excited.

Mike was happy that his shoulder surgery went well and for the first time in a long time did not have any pain and it feels great.

50/50 – On hold due to Zoom meetings.

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

**February Wedding Anniversaries** – None listed

**February Membership Anniversaries** – Pat Cook – 21 years – 2/2; Heidi Ortiz – 2 years – 2/20; Marianne Todd – 2 years – 2/20.

### **Pun of the Week:**

**"Lego store reopens after lockdown. Folks lined up for blocks."**

### **Today's Birthdays:**

Hans Morganthau (1904-1980), political scientist  
Red Barber (1908-1992), sportscaster  
Rene Russo (1954-), actress  
Larry the Cable Guy (1963-), comedian  
Michael Jordan (1963-), basketball player  
Michael Bay (1965-), filmmaker  
Denise Richards (1971-), actress  
Billie Joe Armstrong (1972-), musician  
Joseph Gordon-Levitt (1981-), actor  
Paris Hilton (1981-), socialite

## The 4-Way Test

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## Make-Ups:

**Please check in advance with the club you are thinking of making up at in case they are not meeting in person during the pandemic.**

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

[www.bethelrotary.org](http://www.bethelrotary.org)

**Bridgton-Lake Region** – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Community Center, 15 Depot St., Bridgton

[www.lakeregionrotary.org](http://www.lakeregionrotary.org)

**Fryeburg** – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg

[www.fryeburgrotary.org](http://www.fryeburgrotary.org)

**River Valley** – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford

[www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org](http://www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org)

**Interact** – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School

The February Students of the Month are on the following pages:

## February Student of Month 2021



9<sup>th</sup> grade: Oakleigh Brown

Nominating Teacher: Melissa Kluge

Oakleigh is kind, considerate, conscientious, responsible, and reliable. She helps her classmates and her teachers without even being asked. She enjoys school and would never think of not doing her schoolwork and always strives for A's and B's.

Oakleigh always makes sure that one of her peers (who has medical complications) is all set and ready to move to the next class. She is very kind and considerate and a pleasure to have as a student. She is also ALWAYS in attendance for Zoom sessions. She is on time at 7:35 am and does not leave until she is dismissed at the end of the day.



10<sup>th</sup> grade: Walter Kimball

Nominating Teacher: Dave Langevin, & Craig Blanchard



Walter is self-motivated and he continues to do the quantity and quality of work done remotely that can be challenging for a technical program. He cares about the work he does in my class and is very conscientious of both the quality of his work and the timeliness that he delivers it within. Because of his "above and beyond" attitude, I nominated him.

Walter is an excellent student. He has great time management skills. He is in AP World History and this course requires a heavy workload. Walter always completes his work on time, always attends Zooms, and is polite. He also works hard to test corrections and re-write essays.

11<sup>th</sup> grade: Colby Dillingham

Nominating teacher: Scott Walker





Colby is serious about his work, takes care with each assignment, and is coachable. He responds to instruction in all the right ways. He asks good questions, uses the resources provided to him, and applies himself to his work. He advocates for himself when needed, and he applies the lessons he is learning in the classroom in his summatives.

The process by which Colby wrote his Crucible essay - after starting out telling me he had no idea how to write it - and ending with an A - was awesome. He used the exemplar and rubric I provided to his advantage, asked great questions when he was unsure, and gave excellent effort. It's not so much the paper was an A, it's how Colby worked through the process of learning a new skill which makes him a sure-fire student of the month candidate.

12<sup>th</sup> grade: Danielle Bean

Nominating Teacher: Deb Ladner & Tina Fox



She made sure that 10 high school students would have a good Christmas all the while keeping up with her academic and work commitments. Danielle put together bags for 10 students to make sure they had a good Christmas. She worked with members of a Church and community to have food to give, gloves, hats, blankets and sweatshirts for warmth, and a new pillow for each of the students. The administrative team delivered the bags to the students before break.

Danielle goes above and beyond in the classroom too. I can remember she was having internet issues and instead of using that as an excuse not to zoom. She drove to town and connected through a local hot spot. She did this for all her classes from her car that day. She is very dedicated and is a wonderful student to have in class.