



The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
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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."

2021-2022 Officers:

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Home Club of PDG George Rice

Good Evening and Welcome! Today is the 110th day of 2022. There are 255 days remaining in the year. This week is our evening social meeting. Curtis Cole is scheduled to be 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. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club paraphernalia.

April:

27 – George Rice and Dan Allen

May:

1 – Road Toll for Ukraine, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, by the tennis courts on Fair St.

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

4 – Classification Talk and Beth Abbott

7 – May Day Play Day at OHCHS

May cont'd:

11 – May Students of the Month and Val Weston

12 – Scholarship committee meeting at South Paris Town Office, 4:30 PM.

18 – Evening Meeting and Paul Thornfeldt

25 – Patty Rice and Warren Spencer

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Frank, John and Joel were on Zoom. We did not have any visiting Rotarians but we had the April Students of the Month and their guests with us.

Rotary Moment:

We did not have a Rotary moment last week.

Announcements:

PE George – Lobsters for Scholars tickets are available to sell. We have 75 to sell now and 75 to sell later. Please see George to get yours.

George also reported to me that we had 7 members sign up for the District Assembly last Saturday. Unfortunately, one member was not able to go but our club still won recognition for having the highest percentage of club members present – 23%.

Co-President Chris reported that Heidi Ortiz and her fiancé, Victor, were supposed to get married last Sunday, but that Victor tested positive for Covid on Saturday, so their wedding had to be postponed.

Bob Schott announced that he has confirmed two dates for Road Tolls – Sunday, May 1, for Ukraine and Sunday, October 16, for Polio. These will be at our usual site, on Fair St. by the OHCHS tennis courts.

Tina Fox said that planning for May Day Play Day is on-going. There was a meeting last Wednesday at 5:00 PM to review plans and go over businesses to contact for donations. The group also decided that the give-away bags will be filled on Wednesday, May 4th, at 5:00 PM in the OHCHS gym, followed by ropes training for those working the ropes. The tents will be set up on Friday, May 6th, at 5:00 PM. Lynne Schott will do popcorn and said that the Moon bounce will be available but that Bob will need help picking it up and dropping it off after the event.

Keeping these dates in again this week:

May Day Play Day – Saturday, May 7

Scholarship Committee meeting – Thursday, May 12 at 4:30 PM at the South Paris Town Office.

OHHS Top Students – Wednesday, June 1

Senior Picnic – Wednesday, June 8 (for prep) and Thursday, June 9, for the picnic.
Community Spaghetti Dinner – Saturday, June 18, at the South Paris Fire Station.

Last Week:

Co-President Chris led the Pledge and 4-Way Test. Dan Allen led us in singing “My Country ‘tis of Thee” and Curtis Cole gave the blessing.

Chris then turned the meeting over to Tina Fox who talked about the Student of the Month Program and then introduced members who, in turn, introduced the students. After the student presentations, PE George talked about the 4-Way Test and presented the students with a 4-Way Test key chain and some information about Rotary. The Student write-ups follow.

😊 Happy and Sad Dollars 😊

Dan A. said he was happy to be back after the rooster attack on Nancy.

Bob was sad that skiing is coming to an end....although I see on the weather this morning that it looks like there will be “3-5” inches of snow coming to northern Maine tomorrow. Maybe that will prolong the season just a bit longer.

John was happy that Glenn and Sharon Huntley were coming to visit him with plans to go see the sand sculptures at the Sugar Sand Festival at Clearwater Beach and spend a day at the beach at Sand Key State Park.

50/50 Drawing – George drew Curtis’s number but Curtis didn’t draw the King of Clubs. There was \$281.00 in the pot.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

April Birthdays – Abbie Earle – 4/5; Joel Speakman – 4/7; George Rice – 4/12; Alice Paul – 4/17; Tally Decato – 4/20; Beth Abbott – 4/24; Mike Morin – 4/26; Mike (Beth) Abbott – 4/26

April Wedding Anniversaries – None listed

April Membership Anniversaries – None listed

Puns for the Week:

Why does Peter Pan fly all the time? He Neverlands.

Inspecting mirrors is a job I could really see myself doing.

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

Before attending one of these meeting, be sure to check with the Club to be sure they are meeting per this schedule.

April Students of the Month

Theme:

Respect and being a positive leader: students who demonstrate consideration for others and who demonstrate leadership abilities that help guide others in a positive direction.

9th Grade: Evan Smith

Nominating Teacher/Staff: Meagan Goddard

Evan has helped with Unified basketball since the start of the season. Evan came to the first practice not knowing what to expect but has jumped in and helped the players grow. He is constantly asking for advice on how to help them and what language to use. It is rewarding to see him on the court, guiding the players and most importantly celebrating the accomplishments of the players. During practice, he can be seen guiding the players in drills and giving advice to them on how to improve. He has been a great role model and it

has felt really good to see a student like him, in this crazy world, be so kind to the unified players. I am really proud of him!

10th Grade: Trevor Pollard

Nominating Teacher/Staff: Peter Toohey

No matter what we are doing in class Trevor always gives his best. What sets him apart from others like this is the fact that he so willingly helps the people around him. He is always helping other students who are struggling and sincerely seems to enjoy it. It's not just one incidence he constantly is helping other students. There are too many times to even count when he takes the extra time to check in and help his classmates.

11th Grade: Heather Beaudet

Nominating Teacher/Staff: Lori Millett

When fellow students need help with a project or have questions, Heather is my back up. They help their peers without being asked. They are eager to learn, absorbing information, processing it and applying it to their projects in and out of school. They test and hones their skills on independent work away from class. They have become a great asset to the Fashion Design I class because of the knowledge they share with others.

12th Grade: Kayla Kilponen

Nominating Teacher/Staff: Julie Gomez

Kayla doesn't find math easy, and it is not her favorite subject, but Kayla has hung in there and built great habits as a student. I have had Kayla as a math student for the past two years and she is an AWESOME math student. She does her work regularly. She comes for extra help when needed. She asks for assignments when absent. Kayla helps other students and is not stingy with the time it takes to get someone else to understand how to do the problem. She is a great example of a student that is part of a community of learners. Not only has she given time to others she shows others how to be successful in the "New" age of learning. For example, Kayla was out for quite a while this year and kept in touch with email and through the Google Classroom. She really watched the videos in the classroom for more instruction. She stayed caught up and has demonstrated how to be a student in this hybrid world we live in. She is a great leader and respects her peers.