

# Rotary



## The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader

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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."

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### 2018-2019 Officers:

Rotary International President: Barry Rassin - District 7780 Governor: John LoBosco – Oxford Hills Rotary President: George Rice – Pres. Elect: Pat Cook – Vice-pres.: Lynne Schott – Treas.: Patty Rice – Sec.: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past pres.: Chris Weston – Club Service Chair: Chris Summers – Vocational Service Chair: Bob Schott - Community Service Chair: Beth Abbott - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

### Home Club of President and PDG George Rice and AG Chris Summers

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**Good morning and Welcome!** Today is the 135th day of 2019. There are 230 days remaining in the year. Beth Abbott is program chair this morning and Patty Rice 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 207-461-7158 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.

### May:

**16 – Scholarship Committee meeting at Rowe School, 5:00 PM.**

**16 – Progress Center Community Dinner, 4:30 – 6:00 PM.**

**22 – Dan Allen and Dave Preble. Dan's guest speaker is Geri Murphy from Covenant House.**

**29 – Top Students from OHCHS and Heidi Ortiz**

### June:

**3 – Board Meeting at Deering Memorial Community Center in South Paris at 5:30 PM**

**5 – Club Assembly and Ron Morse**

**12 – Curtis Cole and Liz Knox**

**19 – Abbie Earl and Peter Kaurup**

**26 – Changeover and Becky Kaurup**

### Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

There were no visiting Rotarians. Our guests were the May Students of the Month and their guests.

### Membership Moment:

President George did the Membership moment. He reminded us that it is every member's responsibility to bring in new members. We, ourselves, would not be members unless someone invited us to come to a meeting. We may not remember who was president when we joined or district governor, but we will always remember the person that sponsored us.

### Announcements:

President George – Congratulations to Bob Schott for organizing another successful Road Toll for Polio, which was on Sunday, May 5. We raised \$1,700.00 – and that is matched 2 for 1, so it becomes \$5,100.00. Each dose of the vaccine costs \$.50 so our \$1,700.00 provides 10,200 doses. Thanks to Bob, Lynne, Pat, Marianne, Heidi, Abbie, Beth, George, Patty and Chris S. for helping out.

The Bath Rotary Club is celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 15. George has all the info so if anyone is interested in attending, speak to George.

Keep selling Lobsters for Scholars tickets. This years' proceeds go to next years' scholarships.

The Scholarship committee will be meeting May 16 at 5:00 PM at Rowe school to choose the awards for this year.

Rotary had a table at the Kiwanis event last Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and everyone had a great time.

### Last Week:

President George led us in the Pledge and 4 Way Test. Dan A. led us in singing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" which we did fairly well at and Curtis gave the invocation.

President George presented Perfect Attendance awards to AG Chris Summers for six years and Val Weston for 11 years. Congratulations Chris and Val!

Tina Fox talked a bit about final preparations for May Day Play Day. Everything is coming together and it should be another successful event. Everyone who has signed up to help should be there at 8:00 AM.

Tina then went on to talk about the Student of the Month program and introduce the Students of the Month for May. The theme for May was moral courage. Unfortunately, the junior and senior students could not be with us due to other commitments. The write-ups for the students are on the last page of the Reader.

After the Students of the Month, Beth Abbott introduced Terry Mulks from Camp Susan Curtis and Adrienne Cote from The Tribune. You may remember that we purchased some books for the camp through Adrienne. Terry told us a bit about the program. It costs \$1,200.00 per camper and about 500 kids per summer attend. Approximately 100 of those kids are from the Oxford Hills, the largest contingent by far. Kids are referred to the camp through the schools. Reading is a big part of the program and the books we donated were very much appreciated.

### Happy Dollars

**Beth** – had a big thank you dollar for Paul and Curtis who picked up the water for May Day Play Day.

**Dan A.** – remember that it is Polio Plus which not only gives the polio vaccine but also other vaccines as well.

**Liz** – had a great time on her vacation in Roatan, Honduras. She said that when she arrived, she found the local Rotary Club set up in the Visitor's Center. She brought back a shirt and cap which she suggested we auction off. Dan put his skills to work and Tina Fox purchased them for \$35.

**John** – had a happy to be back from Florida \$5 – at least as far as family and friends are concerned. So far, not happy with Maine weather compared to what he left in Florida.

**Tina** – was happy for her grandchildren bouncing on the trampoline and getting sprayed with water while on it.

**50/50:** Ron drew Tina's number but Tina didn't pull the gold ball from the bag. There was \$137 in the pot which rolls over.

**May Birthdays** – Sharon (Glenn) Huntley – 5/1; Patty Rice – 5/9

**May Wedding Anniversaries** – Chris & David Twitchell – 5/13; Peter & Becky Kaurup – 5/16; Dan & Nancy Allen – 5/21; Frank & Connie Shorey – 5/23.

**May Membership Anniversaries** – None listed

### Thought for the Week:

“Gardens are not made by singing “Oh, how beautiful,” and sitting in the shade.”

~ Rudyard Kipling ~

## Make-ups:

**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

## May Students of the Month

### Theme: Moral Courage

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Zoe Dyer, who was nominated by Paula Wheeler.

Zoe is always thoughtful and helpful to me and other students. When a new young man joined our team, Zoe volunteered to be his partner in English class. When other students were distancing themselves from this student, Zoe went right over and asked him if he wanted to be her partner. They worked very well together. She helped the new student feel welcome and a part of the team.

**10<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Riley Tripp, who was nominated by Erin Flynn.

Riley has shown great moral courage in the face of adversity ever since her mother was diagnosed with cancer. She has taken a very active role with her mother's treatments and has worked hard to keep up with her school work despite all that is going on. This would be a hard role for any family member, particularly a child. She has handled herself with grace, is an excellent citizen, a hardworking scholar and an all around great young lady. She is kind to everyone and is a wonderful role model at our school. She is a student who represents OHCHS with excellence.

**11<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Jazmin Ney, who was nominated by Fred Steeves.

Jazmin does what is right, even if others are doing wrong. I feel she is one of the best examples of this I have ever seen. Jazmin was at the State of Maine Skills/USA conference with the rest of the students in the club. After the contests had ended, I had to pick up and pack up before I could leave. All of the other 30+ club members were anxious to get on the bus and head to a restaurant for lunch. Jazmin offered to stay with me and the other conference coordinators and help pack and load things. She knew she would get asked why she stayed when she was not asked and did not have to, but she did anyway.

When we arrived at Dysart's, the others were eating dessert or were all done. She ended up sitting and eating with me and a couple of other advisors instead of with her friends. I am very proud of her.

**12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Abbigail Kenney, who was nominated by Cindy Kugell**

Abby is fearless. She has a wonderful sense of self and what is right. She has been a true pleasure to have in my common block these past 4 years. Abby stood up for a student who was being bullied on the bus. Having moral courage means having the strength of character to do what is right and Abby personifies this trait beautifully. I'm very proud of her.