

Rotary Seniors for the Month of January

By Sam Kiernan



The seniors chosen as the Rotary Seniors of the Month were Emma Byers and Kiernan Clark. Throughout their high school careers, they showed outstanding hard work and dedication towards their schoolwork, sports, extracurriculars and so much more. The Rotary Club recognized their efforts in this month's meeting.

The first rotary senior of this month is Emma Byers. Emma is a member of National English Honor Society, National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, student council, volleyball and was a part of the schools choir and musical programs. Alongside her extracurriculars, Emma has also managed to maintain and excel with a heavy course load of AP and honors classes. Emma has been a member of student council for four years and was voted in as historian this past year where helps plan various events for the school. Emma is also a leader for the Fellowship of Christian athletes and is also on the event planning committee, where she

works with others to organize different events to benefit the club and the school. Emma has been a part of the volleyball team since her freshman year and has been a captain of the team for this past year. Emma was voted as MVP for both her junior and senior season, and helped her team make it to district playoffs for the first time in Oxford history. With the National Honor Societies, Emma volunteers to help advance the communities education whether it is by reading to the younger schools or helping individuals register to vote. Emma is also extremely involved with her church. She is a nursery helper, an assistant teacher in the children's classes, a volunteer in a childhood program and a student leader in her youth group. She has the responsibility of helping plan events with other leaders and also takes care of smaller tasks throughout the church. Through her church, she has been given many volunteer opportunities and the possibilities to help others who are struggling. To continue her love of helping others, Emma is committed to Liberty University and plans to major in elementary education and most likely minor is psychology or ministry.

The second rotary senior of the month is Kiernan Clark. Kiernan is a part of National Honor Society, National English Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, an ambassador for the Morgan's Message Foundation, the swim team and the lacrosse team. Alongside the many extracurriculars, he has been able to juggle them with numerous AP and honors courses. Kiernan is the Vice President of the Class of 2026 where he helps organize and make decisions on the behalf of the class of 2026, especially for events such as homecoming or prom. Kiernan has been actively volunteering with the National Honor Society and the National English Honor Society to help advance the Oxford communities love of education. Kiernan has been a member of the Oxford swim team for four years and has been a four-year member and four-year captain of the Oxford lacrosse team. With the lacrosse team, Kiernan has received First

Team All Ches-Mont honors along with the George A. Kruse Sportsmanship Award. Kiernan volunteers as a lacrosse coach through the Oxford Youth Lacrosse program. He is also a leader within Fellowship of Christian Athletes and helps coordinate and organize numerous events with other leaders. Outside of school, Kiernan works as a head lifeguard at the Jennersville YMCA. Kiernan is very involved in his church, as his faith is the most important aspect of his life. Kiernan will be continuing on his education at Messiah University where he will be studying mechanical engineering, playing lacrosse and furthering his faith.