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ROXBURY ROAD RACE SERIES AWARDS GRANTS TO FOUR HIGH SCHOOLS

ROXBURY – Four area high schools collectively received \$600 this spring from the Roxbury Road Race Series to improve their cross country or track and field programs.

The Oxford, New Milford, Nonnewaug-Woodbury and Brookfield high schools each received \$150 from the money raised for the series' T-shirt/grants campaign, which has received more than \$34,000 since 1996.

Oxford High School will use the money for transportation to invitational cross country meets; Nonnewaug-Woodbury will be purchasing covers for its pole vault and high jump pits; Brookfield High School will utilize the money for transportation to special meets; and New Milford High School will put the funds toward buying reflective gear and athletic bags.

The runners in the weekly series have provided individual scholarships are grants to area high schools every year since 2000. A letter is sent to six area high schools each November and they have until Mar. 31 to submit a proposal. A committee, consisting of some of the runners in the series, selected the recipients.

Part of the money from the fund-raising also is used to buy T-shirts for the runners in the series each November.

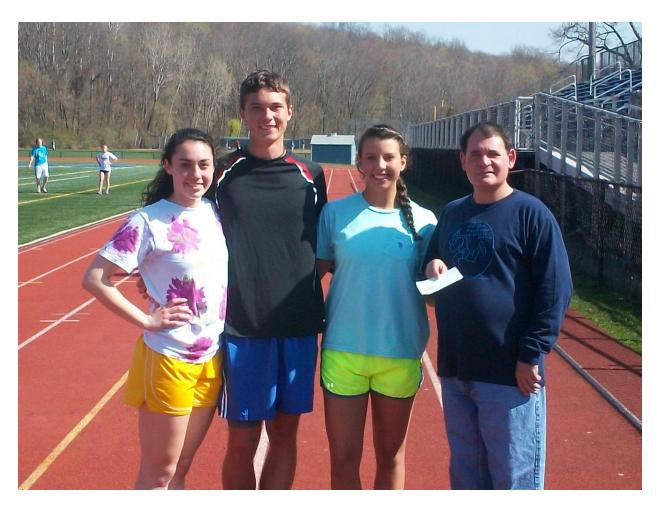
Photographs



992: Oxford High School, photographed from left to right, Bob Lewis, former head director of the Roxbury Road Race Series, with Ed Lucas, cross country coach.



997: Nonnewaug High School photographed, from left to right, track & field athletes Andrew Sampino, senior; Haley Wheeler, freshman; Arleigh Duff, girls track and field coach; Bob Lewis, former assistant director of the Roxbury Road Race Series; William Nemec, athletic director.



1000: Brookfield High School, photographed from left to right, track & field athletes Paulina Harron, Hannah Green, Joseph Novicky and Bob Lewis, former head director of the Roxbury Road Race Series.



#1006: New Milford High School, photographed from left to right, track & field athletes Sofia Amaral, John Hansell, Ryan Clarke and Jessica Noteware.