

# Memo

Date: May 14, 2012

To: Citizens of Oxford

From: Mayor Jerry Roseberry

Subject: Orton Foundation Honors Oxford, Covington and  
Newton County

Earlier this month the Orton Foundation published a study of five cities in the United States with emphasis on “honoring local values.” Oxford, Covington and Newton County were selected for the study along with four other cities dispersed throughout the country.

It is interesting to read not only about our community but about communities located hundreds, if not thousands, of miles away and learning that we have many things in common.

Being selected for this study is not a minor achievement. For example, among the cities nominated for this honor was Decatur, Georgia.

You will notice that of the six photographs in the article three of the sites are in Oxford.

Go to [www.orton.org/blog/honoring\\_local\\_values](http://www.orton.org/blog/honoring_local_values) and following the excerpt summary you will find a link to the study.