

THE VALE NEWS

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Rotary Awareness - A time to promote the importance of Rotary Information to club members and awareness of Rotary in the community

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

Jan. 26 Adam Greshin - Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice

Feb. 2 Rosemarie White -Burgis VonTrapp

9 Joe Goldstein - Aaron Locker and Suzanne Slomin

16 Dave Ruane - Tom McDonald

23 open

Editor's Note: Please inform Wini (496-6710) of the name of your speaker at least 2 weeks in advance. If you can't get a speaker for that date, please try to trade with another person on the list.

Birthdays: Jon Jamieson 1/19; Betty Maguire 1/25

Anniversaries: none

Meeting News

This morning the snow stopped, the roads were cleared, but our original speaker canceled as he thought the roads coming from Montpelier would be too dangerous. Al Barillaro and Rich Reisner persuaded Maggie Burke to talk to us about the Vermont Adaptive Ski organization and all the wonderful things they do to help disabled skiers enjoy the sport.

Announcements

There will be a BOD meeting following our regular meeting today.

We received a thank you note from Carol Biederman thanking us for our donation of 2 Shelter Boxes in Charlie's name to Pakistan. Charlie felt there was such a great need for medical equipment there and worked with a Rotary Club in Pakistan

Audrey reminded us that we are invited to the Polio Plus Dinner and Silent Auction on February 9, 2011 at The Essex, in Essex Junction. Guest Speaker is Ann Lee Hussey, polio survivor. Cost per person is \$37.50 (\$10 of the \$37.50 to benefit Polio Plus).

Register with our club, make checks out to MRV Rotary Club and RSVP by January 28,2011.

YOU BET YOUR ICE PROJECT

Gene brought in the miniature Outhouse, including all the accessories he added last year (fan, heating system, pinup girl, whistle, emergency phone, shower complete with curtain on the back) etc. Photo will be sent separately as I have not figured out how to put it in the Newsletter yet.

All the paraphernalia needed by the ticket sellers can be found in Jim Leyton's office vestibule. He asked for 12 volunteers to spend one hour each during the weekend at our usual locations. At the end of the meeting he was still short a couple. If you haven't signed up, give Gene a call. The guys put up the big Outhouse on the pond last Wednesday.

Heli told us there will be a program: Wills & Estate Planning at the Warren Public Library tonight at 6 to 8 PM, given by licensed attorneys.

David Babic has been proposed by Al Barillaro to be a member of our club. The BOD approved the proposal today and if no written objection to the proposal, stating reasons, is received by the Board from any member of our club within seven days of this notice, David Babic, upon payment of dues, shall be considered a member of our club.

Mega Bucks - \$372 to the winner. Jim Leyton, got down on one knee, but did not find the joker and was awarded the usual \$5

Happy Bucks

Rich paid \$5 for 1) Maggie is here, 2) Kiss from Audrey, 3) granddaughters, 4) Al's help in recruiting Maggie 5) et al

Al B. Skied with buddies from Conn.

Monk - Monday starts Greenwood Week at MR Glen

Bob Holden - Eli returned to college, Norwich won last 4 hockey games, Jon Jamieson's birthday

Dave Koepele - Snow, no rain

Ken F. - Jets won!!

Chris - Happy to be here

Dave Ruane - also happy to be here

Sissy - Outhouse is on the ice

Betty - Jon's birthday

Art - Go Bears

Ken Amann - Daughter headed west, stopped in Denver

Stan - Glad no more than 2 birthdays to sing about

Dave Ellison - brought neighbor Dave Ellis to meeting

Dave Ellis - 2nd visit; glad to meet old friends and make new ones

Jon Jamieson - birthday

Clayton-Paul - Son skis fast

Program

Rich Reisner introduced Maggie Burke, the director of Vermont Adaptive at Mt. Ellen Ski Area..

Maggie brought their latest piece of equipment especially built for a little girl with multiple disabilities. The child had raised \$75, but the sled cost \$2,500. VASS was able to raise \$1,500 and our club donated the balance. Several volunteers ski with her to prevent other skiers from running into her.

Vermont Adaptive is 25 years old and has 130 volunteers working in this area. Some are already skilled in working with disabled persons at the time they join, but many have to be trained on the job.

At present they have a lot of disabled veterans returning from the Wars in the Middle East, who need help and special equipment in order to ski again. Most pay minimum costs.

In the summer VASS is into sailing, biking and many other sports to improve the quality of the lives of physically disabled people.

THE FOUR WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do:

- 1) Is it the Truth?
- 2) Is it Fair to All Concerned?
- 3) Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
- 4) Will it be Beneficial to All Concerned?

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