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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

2011

- Jan. 12 Leon Bruno Program for Autistic Kids
 - 19 Joe. Klimek Dr. Deborah Richto
 - 26 Adam Greshin Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice
- Feb. 2 RoseMarie White -Burgis VonTrapp
 - 9 Joe Goldstein Aaron Locker and Suzanne Slomin
 - 16 Open
 - 23 Open

Edito'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: Rob Tierney 1/02

Anniversaries: Chris & Lori Kirchen 1/01; Henri & Rosie Borel 1/9; Jim & Jackie Leyton 1/8

It was dark and snowy this morning. We had a small crowd, bet some overslept or forgot where we were meeting today. Our guests were: Anna and Benjamin White, David Babic and Ky Koitzsch, the man who is restoring the McCullough Barn.

Meeting News

Audrey welcomed our guests and everyone who has returned

Announcements

Art displayed a large copy of the ad that appeared in the Valley Reporter listing all of the organizations that our club has given donations to. It was a nice piece of publicity before we start the YBYI raffle.

Gene was given a bag of YBYI stuff he may be able to use while he is running the project this year. He says the outhouses (both big and miniature) are in good condition. The big one was removed from the pond soon after it fell in last year.

Jim Leyton told us there will be a free concert at the state house on Wed. night, Jan. 19th.

Mega Bucks - \$324 to the winner. Tom Byrne had the chance today to draw a card and picked the King of hearts.

Happy Bucks

Doug Stoehr - Snow! Brian- Happy to see the kids come and go Jim Leyton - Just happy

Art - Glad to see more snow

Monk - Got in a few days of skiing

Joe - another one happy to see it snowing

Ron Geren- had visit from the Crumps in Georgia

Adam - announced there will be a party at Timbers on Friday, 1/07/11 Black Tie- Governor's Inaugural Ball, including dinner and a series of bands at \$50/ticket.

Ky - Glad to make presentation and meet Rotarians

Bob Holden - Son going on field trip to NYSE

Al Barillaro - Sugarbush had phenomenal holiday week

Stan - January thaw is over

Dave Koepele - Happy that Jim is happy

Gene- Glad 12 guests have gone home

Audrey - Pleased that everyone is in a good frame of mind and that it is snowing.

Joe Goldstein introduced Ky Koitzsch who is in charge of restoring the old McCullough barn. Ky is doing a computer presentation and Ken was able to get up the computer working today (in spite of some good natured banter from a few Rotarians) both video and audio worked perfectly.

The first photo was of the old dilapidated barn, located on German Flats road across from the Fayston Elementary school. It was built in 1840.

Fayston decided to restore it in 2010 and since then people have donated time and equipment. It will have many uses i.e. a place to exhibit art, an emergency shelter, public meetings etc.

It was owned by the McCullough family from 1926 - 1968. Since 1981 it belonged to Sugarbush and was used to store old ski boots, skis etc. The building is 26 x 36 and some of the timbers are 36' long. Originally one side was used for animals and the other side for storage.

The work started by cleaning out the old stuff - they needed 5 - 6 dumpsters. Then the rear addition was removed by Yestermorrow, next the roof was taken off + the barn boards. The bent timbers were stored in Sept. at Alces and the final cleaning was finished in November.

Restoration - They tried to put up the timbers one at a time, but the foundation gave way. All the timbers were OK but they will have to build a new foundation when weather permits. There are 3 key members and many volunteers donating time and equipment and a lot of people will benefit from this project.

They have applied for funding thru the Vermont Recreation Trails Program for 80% and have already received the remaining 20% from donations, including a generous pledge by our Rotary Club. Some of our members have also volunteered their time.

They hope to complete the job by the end of summer.

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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