THE VALE NEWS

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Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

- Oct. 20 Walter Brink II- Classification Speech
 - 27 Vickie Walluck Classification speech
- Nov. 3 Karl Klein Erik Brattstrom and Dotty Kyle
 - 10 Peter Laskowski
 - 17 Rosemarie White
 - 24 No Meeting (day before Thanksgiving)
- Dec. 1 OPEN
 - 8 Restaurant Raffle Drawing
 - 14 or 15 Christmas Party at the Common Man
 - 22 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: John Crump 10/8 Anniversaries: AI & Ellen Barillaro 10/9 Monk & Jane Bancroft 10/7

Meeting News

It's so dark now at 6:20 AM that I have to use a flashlight when I walk the dog on Wednesdays, but the sun was shining by the time I arrived at the Inn. We had a good crowd of 42 this morning including Carol Brock, a visiting Rotarian from Florida with her husband Jim, Anna & Benjamin White, John Daniell, Rich Whitworth, a Rotarian from Mass. and former member Clayton-Paul Cormier, Jr who plans to rejoin. Our scheduled speaker, Joff Cowan was not able to make it and John Crump tried to take over with a computer presentation.

Announcements

Audrey reminded us that the BOD will meet next week.

Restaurant Raffle

Ralph told us that 51 restaurants gave us gift certificates and the raffle tickets should be printed by our next meeting. Thus we have one more week of non-raffle-ticket-selling.

Carol Hosford told us that her son bought duck race tickets for all the boys on his soccer team.

Dinsmore was promoting the project "WALK4WATER".

Experience the daily journey of a Kenyan child, right in your backyard. Bring a bucket and walk4water on October 30th at 1 PM. Starting at Juniper's Fare Cafe, begin a 2 mile walk for your day's worth of water. Don't forget to bring a bucket. Soup and sandwiches provided at end of walk.

Leon Bruno and Ken Amann have made canvas firewood carriers (big enough to carry a small dog) and are selling them. Rotary will get 10% of each sale.

Mini Bucks \$100.00 to the winner. Jim Groom - right ticket, wrong card – got \$5

Happy Bucks

Editor's note: If you guys want your comments recorded , please shut up while the "Happy" person is talking!!

John Hale - Enjoying family visit from England John Straub - Returning to Wash. D.C. - be back next Spring Leon - Warren Historical Society meeting, Wed. Oct. 20th - restoring antiques John Basile - Welcome people from Florida Art Conway - heading south to Mexico Larry - Enjoying the beautiful fall views Rich Whitworth - Pleased to see our strong healthy club, visited us 15 years ago Dinsmore - 150 bulbs! Ken Amann - interested in producing Leon's canvas bag Clayton-Paul - Happy to be part of our club again Brian Crandall - 1st glider ride (birthday present from kids) Dave Koepele - Ken Amann giving 10% to club Al Barillaro - Had a happy anniversary (wife lucky woman) John Mansfield - happy to be home again Ken Friedman- Daughter visiting Jim Leyton – grandson's 1st birthday Carol Brock - happy co-chair of building Rotary Clinic in Haiti Stan- 1) Leaving this week for San Francisco, celebrating 80th birthday 2) Closing on property in Montpelier John Daniell - cavorting?

Editor's Note takers - Sissy and Wini

PROGRAM

Since Joff Cowan of the Montpelier Club was unable to be here today, John Crump attempted to do a computer presentation of the Rotary International Convention Speeches. When he had trouble with the visual presentation, Ken Friedman, stepped in and got that part working, but then the audio did not work. Most of us cannot read lips, and they had to give up on that PC presentation today. Audrey felt that so many of our members have been on interesting trips, she asked if anyone would share their experiences.

John Mansfield just came back from a trip to Morocco. He told us that over the years he had visited Archaeological digs from every country around the Mediterranean. Morocco is a Muslim country. He and his wife, Barbara, were treated very well, and these Muslims are quite different from the sects in the Middle East. The women wear head scarves but no burkas. They went on archaeological tours and visited all the landmarks. Each tour ended with the "Rotary 4 way Test" even though the tour leader was not a Rotarian.

Monk and Jane just returned from a trip to Wash. D.C.. Monk was attending a class reunion with 70 attendees. They met several people in high places and went on tours of the Supreme Court, the White House, Treasury Building etc. Security was very tight and a special I.D. was necessary to enter these buildings.

Carol Hosford attended a local activist week at the Knoll Farm Project. This program helps people out who have been released from jail and can't get jobs. They train them to be couriers and beekeepers. They have 27 healthy bee hives.

So far 183 people have gone thru this program. They have developed products and been trained in marketing and other business skills for 90 days. Some got jobs, only 3% have returned to jail. The initial program has been a huge success and is located in the middle of Chicago.

Audrey stated that she was a bee keeper on Long Island, and produced 80 lbs, of honey annually which she sold at the Farmers Market. She says they will not sting you when they are swarming. She raised healthy Italian honey bees who did not co-mingle with African killer bees.

These stories took up our program time and were just as interesting as many of the scheduled speakers.

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