

THE VALE NEWS

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Foundation- a time to highlight our commitment to the work of the Rotary Foundation

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

Nov.	17	Jack Simko -Rwanda Harwood H.S. trip
	24	No Meeting (day before Thanksgiving)
Dec	1	Jack Mansfield
	8	Restaurant Raffle Drawing
	14	Christmas Party at the Common Man
	22	Nick Laskowski (class. speech)

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: Rich Reisner 11/14; Dave Ruane 11/11

Anniversaries: Larry & Ruthann Ryan 11/10

This is stick season in the Mad River Valley, the time when the "Let's go somewhere Fever" hits the valley. Audrey has come down with it and is now roaming around Italy. Our scheduled speaker Burgi Von Trapp seems to have gotten lost on the way to our meeting. When you read the "Happy Bucks" section, you will notice how many of our members are either returning or planning on leaving town. The weekly duplicate bridge game has been canceled for the entire month of November while some members are on a 'bridge' cruise and others are out of town. Several restaurants are closed during the stick season also.

Meeting News

Audrey opened the meeting and informed us that:
The donations approved by the Board last night were:

Central Vermont Foster Parent Association (CVFPA) - \$100

Sudanese Development - \$100

Fayston Natural Resources Committee for restoration of the McCullough Barn - \$2500

Announcements

Restaurant Raffle -

Ralph pointed to his chart which showed that sales are slightly behind last year. We need to sell at least 75 tickets/weekend in order to meet the goal of 600 tickets sold by Dec. 8th this year. We also have a chance to sell tickets at the Round Barn during their "Farmers Market" event on Nov. 20th. Two people required to sign up for this indoor, warm place.

Our ad appeared on the last page of the Valley Reporter (a half page in color) in last week's issue.

The drawing will be on Dec. 8th (6 weeks to coax your friends and family to buy your tickets). Odds of winning something are 1 in 30.

Our Annual Christmas Party will be held at the Common Man Restaurant on Dec. 14th. Cocktail Hour 5:30 (inc. hors d'oeuvres) Dinner at 7 PM), cash bar. Dinner choice: Atlantic Salmon, Roast Chicken or Short Ribs Dinner price \$37 inc. salad, main course and dessert.

Be sure to inform your spouse of the time and place of our big event so she will put in on your calendar in plenty of time. Al Barillaro was accepting checks and reservations.

Medical Center Open House

We have been invited to attend the Medical Center Open House on Wednesday, Nov. 10th, from 5 - 7 PM. to celebrate their 5 years in their new building, meet the practitioners, learn about health services, tour the place and have refreshments. Our club has donated towards these renovations. Our donations enabled them to get a large grant from the state. This is your chance to see where the money went.

Al Molnar gave us the news about the Rotary Group Study Exchange Between District 7850 (VT, NH & QC) & District 2440 (Turkey)

Call for Team Leader and Team Member Applications

Our Rotary District 7850 is looking for a Team Leader and four Team Members for a Group Study Exchange (GSE) with Western Turkey's District 2440. A GSE is a reciprocal exchange of teams between two Rotary districts in different parts of the world to promote understanding and goodwill between countries by providing groups of young professionals with opportunities to learn about their professions in the context of another culture, including opportunities for personal and occupational networking. Each district chooses a team comprised of one Rotarian Leader and four Non-Rotarian young professionals.

Dates of Travel:

Our District's team will tour Turkey District 2440 from 2-May through 2-June-2011 Similarly, our district 7850 (Northern New Hampshire & Vermont and southern Quebec) will host a team from Turkey's District 2440 from 25-April-2011 through 25-May-2011.

Carol Hosford gave us the exciting news that her daughter, Kate Hosford is having her latest book the "Big Bouffant" published by Lerner Publishing (Spring 2011) . In this book, a girl wants to stand apart from the pack and settles on going to school with her hair in a beehive worthy of Marge Simpson. But when the kids at school start imitating her, something must be done.

The Essex Junction Rotary Club is having a dinner to benefit Polio+ on February 9th. Details to follow later.

Betty - Hawking for the Valley Players "Musical Comedy" the next two Friday and Saturday nights. She says it is a great show.

Sissy said 3 more volunteers are needed to sell this Friday and Sat.

Mini Bucks \$ 175. to the winner. Audrey picked Monk's ticket; Monk drew the 9 of clubs for the usual \$5.

Happy Bucks

Gene - \$5 worth - took trip to NY and Va.- saw grand kids and had great time in Virginia

Heli - Remodeling almost finished

Ken Friedman - Happy the rain stopped.

Monk -Going to Dartmouth/Brown game

John Hale -Had enjoyable golf week in Florida

Art Conway – Barbara's injuries healing and expecting full house for Thanksgiving

Stan - When he woke up this morning, it was daylight

Tom - Better Travel picked for Cruise Lines

Jim Groom - House guests' flight on time

Al Barillaro - Spent last week in Conn.

Jim Leyton - 3rd granddaughter got married

Sissy - So happy to see the sun this morning

Jack Mansfield - Young singers chorus had their 1st concert

Dave Koepele - headed for San Francisco

Betty - Artwork completed for next Rotary event

Peter - Headed for Florida this week

Audrey - Flying out tomorrow

Dave Ellison - In-laws coming tomorrow

Walter - Happy Vt. Guard members will be home

Bob Holden- New Lap top is fixed

John Basile- Happy as usual

PROGRAM

It appears that Burgi was off a week, she knew the date was 11/10, but figured it was next week not this week.

She wanted to talk about "Children First" - an organization she is involved with in the Valley.

For lack of a program, a few members said a few words.

Carol Hosford had friends for dinner who told about their experiences in Shanghai. An amazing trip with a car and driver. They brought her a special flower which unfolds when put in boiling water.

Our BOD has approved a new position to look at international projects. This was an activity that Charley Biederman was interested in.

Our meetings have a chance to return to the Inn after Thanksgiving

Wini urged members to read the Newsletter in order to be informed when they are scheduled to get a speaker. Also if any of you have in mind someone would want to speak to our club, please inform Wini at least 2 weeks in advance, so there will be no need to "bump" a scheduled speaker.

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