

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

Dec. 6	Holiday Party - Terra Rosa Tues. 5:30 PM Happy Hour
7	No Meeting
14	Joe Goldstein Sue Minter, Deputy Commissioner of Transportation for VTRANS.
21	Brian Crandall- Nat'l. Senior Games Org.
28	No Meeting until next year
Jan. 4	Al Molnar
11	Ken Friedman - Kathie Friedman - Senior A'ssn.
18	Jim Groom
25	John Hale

Attention - anyone scheduled in January please let me know before next year if you can't make this date. Wini 496-6710

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: Chris Kirchen 11/30; Al Barillaro Dec. 6th

Anniversaries: none

Meeting News

Cloudy warm morning for our last meeting at the Pub this year. Not too many people today, probably many are still eating leftovers from Thanksgiving - only three guests - Ben White and two seniors from Harwood H .S.- Olivia Nishil and Laura Whitney.

Announcements

NO MEETING NEXT WEEK on Wednesday morning.

Special Donation meeting today following regular meeting.

Annual MRV Rotary Christmas Card. Wini collected another 6 signatures bringing the total to \$175 this morning and will continue at the next meeting. Before Christmas the card will be e-mailed to all our members and the money will purchase food for 3 Christmas baskets to needy families.

Al Barillaro is collecting checks and menu choices for our Holiday Party. See his e-mail for details. Cost \$40/person, cash bar. Deadline is today. He says a lot have signed up so far but he had not counted them.

Len Rubin has resigned as a member of our club due to ill health.

There are some community chair positions open on the District level. If interested get in touch with Lorraine.

We received a letter from George Schenk thanking us for our donation to the MRV Flood Relief fund.

Art Conway had another story from a kid involved in the Dictionary Project.

Jim Leyton -1) EREY - last plea for members to sign up this year. 2) Looking for people to join the Guild of Supporting Players for the VSO. Sponsor an instrument for the concert on Dec. 9th at the Barre Opera House.

YBYI project.

Project leaders Ken & Manny are going to put out a sign-up sheet on the internet and make the process paperless. Read all about it on their e-mail!

2012 District Conference: date/location is - May 18-20 at Mountain Club on Loon in Lincoln, N.H.- Theme - "Embracing Humanity" Save this date for fun, fellowship and inspiration.

Mini Bucks Winner's share \$310. Billy Brauer's ticket was picked again and Ken Amann got so excited he dropped the deck. Billy did not pull out the joker, but saw that it was in the deck.

Happy Bucks.

Oops, I was so busy collecting signatures on the Christmas Card that I forgot to ask someone to take notes on Happy bucks (as usual it was a pretty noisy affair) so - this is all I heard. Wini

Vicky - something about- daughter in Denmark

Dave Ellison - comments about his daughter

Gene Scarpato - enjoyed Macy parade in NY with his son

Tom Byrne - Dad in N.C .

Betty - great fun at family wedding

Art Conway - had company of 2nd grandchild

Al Barillaro - kids visit

Monk - Dartmouth sing-Off

John Crump- construction on repairs of Irene damage about to start

Jim Leyton - visit of grandchildren and another is on the way.

Ken Amann - with help from Al Barillaro and others, the Outhouse is fully repaired and ready to be placed on the ice
Lorraine - happy Interact girls here from Harwood Union HS
Sissy - had 21 over for Thanksgiving dinner.
Joe Klimek - something about the grapes?
Billy Brauer - no luck with Megabucks today
Audrey - Back from Switzerland

Program

Olivia Nishi & Lauren Whitney, two Harwood seniors who are in the Interact Club told us about their club and its activities. They have 20 members, meet before school at 7:30 AM and plan projects such as fund raisers; collect clothing and toys for homeless and other needy people, and perform community services. In other words they make our area a better place to live.

Their club has all levels of students from freshmen to seniors. The girls spoke without notes but with great enthusiasm. They brought tote bags – in 2 sizes \$8 and \$10s hoping the Rotarians would purchase them, but they ran out of time. Lorraine will bring the bags back to our next meeting.

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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