

## **THE VALE NEWS**

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World Understanding - a time to highlight our goal of world understanding & peace

### **Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments**

February	17	Wini Thorsen - John Lynch - Driving School Instructor
	24	Tom Byrne
March	3	Bob Grant - Classification Speech
	10	Art Conway
	17	Dave Ellison
	24	Ken Friedman

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** Henry Borel & Larry Ryan both on Feb. 11th

**Anniversaries** none

### **Meeting News**

Although our club keeps getting new members, our attendance does not increase, However we did have 6 guests today: Alan Littak, ( Williston Rotary Club), Bob Ross, Geordie Hall (our speaker today), Anna White, Manuel Agigian, and Trish Hopkins

### **Announcements**

The Rotary Challenge Ski Race will be held this year on Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at Bolton Valley Ski Area. This event supports the Vermont Heating Assistance Program and is organized through the Richmond-Williston Rotary Club.

When: Friday March 5th, 2010, Registration: 3:30, Race begins: 5:30, Dinner: 6:30 Main Lodge, Awards: 7:30 Main Lodge.

Registration Fee: \$45 includes race, ticket and dinner. Dinner only: \$30.00 and could use some help from us.

Contact Heli if you want to enter the race. Heli is trying to line up 2 or 3 teams. Also, you can come watch the race, have dinner and sell YBYI tickets.

EREY - Jim Leyton. - Jim reminded us that to be a benefactor, you just have to leave a thousand dollars in your will to R.I.

YBYI (YOU BET YOUR ICE) OUR BIG WINTER RAFFLE

Gene Scarpato: Latest improvements to the outhouse: A potted flower on the bench and a photo of our president, Dave Koepele, pasted on the magazine rack.

The real Outhouse was installed on Edison Pond by the crew of Monk, Ralph and Gene last week. Gene said it was a little scary as the ice is thin in some spots.

So far sales are slow, only \$1,249 collected so far. He asked for 24 volunteers to cover the sales locations on the weekend and Monday (Presidents day) in one hour shifts. It should be easier to sell now that the Outhouse is finally on the pond.

Jon Jamison (496-2080) needs help getting sponsors. Jon has donated \$500 and has a list of former donors. Please call him and volunteer to solicit more sponsors.

Haiti donations - Dave Ellison told us that our BOD has already donated \$2,000 to Shelter Box for aid to Haiti. Members who wish to donate, can make out a check to Shelter Box and give it to Dave.

If you plan to donate to the The Shelter Box, get your check to Dave Ellison by Monday, Feb. 15th. He is going to mail all the checks then.

Library \_ Dave Ellison told us that the Warren Library needs a volunteer to work at the library 2 hours, (4 - 6 PM) 3 days a week. Call the Library if interested.

Spring is not far away, as Ken Friedman has started raising money for the Opera Festival (May 27th - June 1st) He is selling raffle tickets for a donated painting and he notified us that the Round Barn is having a Fund Raising dinner on march 7th. Tickets \$100.

MINI Bucks The winner will receive \$240. Audrey had another chance and picked the king of hearts for Valentine's day and a \$5.00 prize.

#### HAPPY BUCKS

Dave Ellison - His friends, Bob and Nancy Ross, visiting and skiing with him

Audrey - Put back her \$5 to the prize fund.

Stan - Happy for snow conditions on the Mt.

Jim Leyton - Looking forward to "Sweet Weekend"

Jon Jamieson - Entered ski race of 9.85 miles and 31,000 vertical feet. Came in 8th

Ken Friedman - kids bought unit at Sugarbush and moving out of his home.

Al Barillaro - Jon DeJesus Visited this weekend as well as his daughter and son-in-law.

Monk - did 5 1/2 days skiing last week. (ANKLE RECOVERING FAST)

Bob Holden - glad to see so many smiling faces here today

Tom Byrne - Rehearsals going well at the Valley Players.

John Basille - HAPPY

#### PROGRAM

Monk introduced Geordie Hall, who is a member of the Mad River Glen Ski Patrol, the Warren Fire Department, and the Ambulance Service for over 40 years.

The following are "bullets" Geordie sent me by e-mail.

- MRVAS covers four towns in the Valley providing ambulance and rescue services
- Response times for the ambulance may be long. Even up to 30 minutes or more in distant parts of the Valley.
- Call 911 as soon as you even think you might need the ambulance. Don't wait until it is too late. You can refuse treatment if you are capable of understanding what you are doing.
- Please show courtesy to emergency vehicles and volunteers responding to emergencies displaying red lights. Pull completely over to the side of the road and stop. It is state law that you must do this for emergency vehicles.
- MRVAS is a volunteer organization and takes no tax dollars from the local towns. Funding is from billing, grants, contributions and the annual subscription drive
- The annual subscription drive is just starting. There will be an ad in the paper the next three weeks and a mailing. MRVAS will still bill your insurance company for the transport. But if you have an annual subscription, you will not be charged anything directly.
- CVMC in Berlin is the hospital MRVAS transports to unless there is a medical reason to go somewhere else. MRVAS operates under medical control from a doctor at CVMC and they make the final determination. MRVAS does not usually transport to the orthopedic clinic at Sugarbush Lincoln Peak. But you can refuse our transport and call them to see if they will accommodate you.
- Ski patrollers and EMTs are not doctors. They do not diagnose. That is why they almost always recommend further medical treatment even if you refuse transport

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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