# THE VALE NEWS

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## Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

February	25	Joe Goldstein - John Hoffman - Direct Aid International
March	4	Bruce Bertholon
	5	Get together Dinner at Castle Rock 6 PM
	11	Henri Borel
	18	Bob Holden - Income Taxes
	25	Ken Friedman
APRIL	1	Dave Ruane - Gary Avery re: I.D theft presentation
	8	John Basile
	15	Peter Laskowski
	22	John Mansfield
	28	Rotary-Person-of-the-Year Dinner

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 -Wini Thorsen 2/19/23 Anniversaries: Leon & Ellen Bruno 2/23, Dave & Judy Ruane 2/19

# **Meeting News**

We were in the Terrace Room today and the noise was so loud, that no one heard Ken bang on the bell with his gavel. After all 38 attendees quieted down Ken announced the names of our visitors: George & Linda Schiavone from the Rotary club in Shelburne, Nan Payson (a potential member) and Emily Von Trapp-Catlin.

Then the committee consisting of Dave Ellison, Jim Leyton and Al Barillaro presented the check made out to the Waitsfield Children's Center in the amount of \$10,000 to Emily von Trapp-Catlin. It took a few minutes to arrange them all for the photograph when Jim Leyton discovered the batteries in his camera were dead. Len offered his cell phone, but Jim realized his cell phone also was a camera and finally the photo was taken for the Valley Reporter.

Emily thanked us for the gift and said they had already purchased some equipment. The children had made a collage thank you for us which Emily displayed.

### Announcements

Al Barillaro has arranged with Sugarbush to have our midwinter get together on March 5th, in the new room in the Castle Rock Pub. The dinner will be chicken Marsala, cost \$20. Al was accepting checks today, as this dinner is only 2 weeks off.

The Williston Rotary Club is running their annual Ski Challenge Race at Bolton on Friday, March 6th. Heli has 2 and 1/2 teams ready to represent our club. (He needs 2 more people to complete the third team) This is always a fun affair; gives us a chance to sell YBYI tickets at the awards dinner following the race. Richard Asck informed us that the cost of participating in the race, including the dinner is \$45. If you just come for the dinner it is \$30. The dinner will be held in the main lodge.

Jim Leyton reminded us that the Rotary Person-of-the Year dinner, will be held on Tuesday, April 28,2009 at the Common Man Restaurant. Cost of dinner, which includes hors d'oeuvres, will be \$35. Cash bar with beer and wine special. Heli passed out flyers last week describing the menu. Jim asked people to bring in their choice of entree along with a check for \$35/diner ASAP. Claudia Becker (of the Big Picture) was selected for this honor for all her contributions to our Valley.

### You-Bet-Your-Ice

John Hale mentioned that he and Valerie are going on a trip and asked everyone to bring in their stubs and money for their raffle tickets. He was also asking people to sign up to sell tickets in front of Mehurons and Shaws for this weekend. Ralph and Sissy Walker will take over the project until John & Valerie return.

Dave Ellison displayed a gadget (some sort of hook) that he found among the Shaw receipts last week. He told us to be sure to bring in all our Shaws receipts next Wednesday as that is the last day they will accept receipts. In the future, they are setting up a new program. People who use their Shaws card will automatically be credited to the food program. I believe there is a Shaws form you have to sign to enter this program.

Rich Reisner asked for volunteers to cook burgers during the Vt. Adaptive Race on Sunday from 10 AM to 12:30 PM. at Lincoln Peak. A couple of people are needed to set up the equipment at 7 AM. He is also looking for a Rotary Banner to display there.

Ken showed us a copy the order form for Rotary badges for our newest 3 members, Leo Cohen, Dinsmore Fulton and Adam Greshin. Ken thinks they will arrive by our next meeting.

Note: BOD meeting today.

50 - 50 Raffle- \$210 for the winner. Ken was astonished to hear that he held the winning ticket. After much ado, he pulled out the 4 of hearts and received \$5.00

Happy Bucks Jim Groom - Happy that no Rotarians hurt this morning Heli - Wini's birthday Monk - Colorado next week Joe Koch - Montana next week Al Barillaro - Happy to present check to Children's Center John Basile - Great to have Emily VonTrapp-Catlin here John Hale - Happy Birthday to Wini Jack Simko - Home after wonderful trip Jim Leyton - getting over cold, Jackie still sick Dave Ellison - Leading Snowshoe Tours Karl - There are some tickets left for his Friday night show 'Bad Apples of Broadway' at Timbers on Friday night Len Rubin -Thanks for the get well cards he received after surgery. Ralph - Sissy is OK after accident caused hairline hip fracture. Jack Miner – Wini's birthday Ken Friedman- so glad Jim Leyton selected The Children's Center for our big donation.

### PROGRAM

Ken informed us that the purpose of our Assembly meeting today was not to bash the president but to have Jack Miner explain how our Web Site works.

They set up a screen on one wall and Ken used his laptop to demonstrate how to use the Web site.

Jack started with the Web Site Page. One advantage of having the site is that you can send a message to everyone in the club by just hitting the send button.

Login Name (your e-mail address); Password = First name.Last name Administration Page lists everyone's personal data. Jack wants us to update our own data so the page will always be correct. If you want, you can print out your own club directory, complete with photos. When you send an e-mail, you can select a few names, or send to the entire club, or omit a few names from the list or send the message to the BOD. You can also send a message to yourself.

You can get information about other Rotary clubs. In fact there are a lot of things you can do on the web, just log on and see for yourself.

Wini's note: I forgot how to get on, so I 'Googled' MRVRotary club and the search brought up the Web. Please do not send me attachments as I have a MAC and its software only reads other Macs attachments. I you have any questions, ask Ken or Jack Miner.

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