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Rotaract & Interact Month - An opportunity to promote services to youth and young adults

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

Mar	23	Larry Ryan
	31	Vickie Walluck- Dori Ingalls
April	6	Joe Goldstein - Aaron Locker and Suzanne Slomin of
		Kingsbury Market Garden
	13	Rotary-Person-of-the Year Dinner
	20	Joe Klimek - Dr. Marvin Malek
	27	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: Jim Groom 3/18 and Karen Winchell 3/18

Anniversaries: Jon & Amy Jamieson 3/16

Meeting News

In spite of the freezing rain this morning we had a good crowd including Guests: Anna & Benjamin White, Wayne R. Foster a friend of Bob Grant, Dakota, our exchange student headed for Ecuador and our speakers from the Salvation Army, Harland Goodwill and Captain Brett De Michael.

Announcements

Heli's report on the Bolton Ski Race:

They took back one of our trophies, as one lady team member <u>was</u> a Rotarian. The judges thought she was not, initially.

Audrey announced the following donations granted at the BOD meeting last Monday.

Green Mountain Cultural Center Opera Festival - \$500 Harwood Project Graduation - \$200 Mad River Path Association - \$1000 Open Hearth After-School Program - Kindergarten Program - \$500

Scholarship policy change: There will now be one 4-year scholarship made in 4 annual payments and 3 one year \$2,000 scholarships awarded this year.

Monk – Triathlon (Sugarbush Adventure Games) we need 8 volunteers with strong backs to pull kayaks and canoes from the Mad River at the end of that stage of the race on the 1st Sunday in April.

There will be a District Conference held at Stowe April 29th. If interested, get details from the Rotary Website.

There will be a Rotary International Convention in New Orleans from May 21-25. If you are interested, get the details from the Rotary Website.

YBYI - collections: week #8: Mehurons \$455; Shaws \$221; Warren Store \$160 for a total of \$726. (best week yet). Gene reminded us to bring in the stubs and \$\$ for each member's personal tickets. There is only one week left. The dead line for selling is March 22nd. As of today, our total receipts are \$5,705 and the outhouse is still afloat, but a little wobbly.

Lorraine - The annual Rotary-Person-Of-The-Year-dinner will be held on Wednesday April 13th at the Barn Door Restaurant in Waitsfield. Dinner will be \$37/person, Cash bar and the honoree will be Troy Kingsbury. Menu and reservations details will be in next week's issue.

Al Molnar - The GSE team from Turkey will be housed by Vicki Walluck at the Waitsfield Inn but a couple of hosts are needed to provide dinners for one or two of the Turks on Wed., April 27th. Also the whole team will be treated to a pot luck dinner at the Waitsfield Inn on Tues. April 26th. Members are needed to provide: appetizers, salads, entrees and desserts. Al Barillaro is in charge of coordinating this dinner.

Mega Bucks - \$523 to the winner. Winning ticket held by Betty for Anna White. Did not find joker so Anna gets \$5.00

Happy Bucks

Vickie -celebrated kids birthdays

Al Barillaro - nearly the slowest in the race club

Ken Friedman - only 15 days to start of baseball season

Ken Amann - wearing Irish hat and largest tie (also Irish) today

Monk - deep snow pack - great for skiing

Sissy - had funny story

Tom - enjoyed Opera concert on Saturday at the Round Barn

Bob Holden - Eli home and subbing at Harwood

Art Conway - People dumped a pile of books at the Waitsfield Library, but left their names on the books giving Art a chance to call them to take back the unwanted books.

Dave Ellison - 7 day heli-skiing out west

Betty - happy to win \$5 for Anna

Larry - Pleased to have Salvation Army representatives here

Dave Koepele - just sold a pack of tickets

Stan - back out skiing - 1st time in 4 weeks

Jim Leyton - Deliriously happy

Doug Stoehr - happy that the Salvation Army have so many activities in New England.

Al Barillaro - praised UConn basketball teams - best in country

Heli - promoting Henri's Ski Race on Sat. March 26th

Karen -Husband told her not to mention birthdays unless she received diamonds or gold

PROGRAM

Wini was proud to present The Salvation Army Captain, Brett DeMichael from Portland Maine. The Captain's parents were both in the Salvation Army and they lived on S.A. service centers making him a true Army Brat. His wife, Jessica, was also brought up in

a Salvation Army family and they both enjoy their work and have the good feeling of making a difference in this world.

Brett graduated from Eastern Nazarene College, Quincy, Ma in 1995 He graduated from Salvation Army School for Officer Training in Suffern, NY in 1999 and was Pastor and Administrator at Salvation Army (with his wife) from 1999 - 2004 at Tom's River, N.J. and 2004-2007 in Rome, N.Y.

Since July 2007, he has been Youth Secretary for the S. A. Northern New England Division and lives in Gorham, ME with his wife, son Joseph (age 8) and daughter Jenna (age 6)

The Captain thanked us for asking him to speak to us. He loves the camaraderie of Rotary. His daughter, who never stops talking, was quiet one day and asked him what to say. He replied "something about love is always good" and she said "Dad, I love you."

In 1890 William Booth started the Salvation Army in London to help the poorest and the downtrodden. His heart filled with love for them. He felt that God stated whatever you have done for the least of people, you have done for me.

Now the S. A. does so much around the world. They were the first organization invited into Russia after the fall of the communists. They help people wherever there are natural disasters.

In Jamaica, the people are so poor they drop off their babies at S. A. centers to be taken care of. They were there in force to help survivors after the 911 attack. Another group arrived in New Orleans after the hurricane disaster. They are everywhere there is a need for assistance. They provide fully equipped emergency canteens with food, lodging, clothing and counseling for victims and disaster workers.

In the North East Community Center they helped 125,000 people in 2010. They have both senior programs and youth programs. They are doing the most good with our contributions of money, time and resources.

The Salvation Army is love in Action and reaches out to those in need. He asked us to:

- 1) pray for the Salvation Army
- 2) Volunteer to work with the S. A.
- 3) Make a contribution to the S. A.

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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