

THE VALE NEWS

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

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

April	6	Joe Goldstein - Aaron Locker and Suzanne Slomin of Kingsbury Market Garden
	13	Rotary-Person-of-the Year Dinner - Barn Door
	20	Joe Klimek - Dr. Marvin Malek
	27	Larry Ryan - Colonel Scott E. Manning
May	4	Dave Koepele - Paul Luciano
	11	Audrey Witschi -
	18	Doug Stoehr
	25	Ralph Walker

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: Pat Pinkston 4/2; Dave Koepele 3/30

Anniversaries: Bob & Sandra Grant 3/30;

Meeting News

It was nice to walk on the snowless parking lot at Sugarbush today, but we have not seen the end of the snow yet, as more is expected on the weekend or April Fool's day. Only 38 people at today's meeting including guests: Benjamin & Anna White, Tara Walluck (Vickie's daughter, who is one of our current exchange students) and Dori Ingalls, our speaker.

Announcements

YBYI - Last report by Gene Scarpato (for this year). Our total receipts so far for the Raffle is \$11,731, that includes sales, donations and two checks received today. More is expected

Summary of sales: Mehurons \$2,920, Shaws \$1,446, Warren Store \$1,159
Corporate donations: \$100 each from Jamieson, Bob Holden, Northfield Bank and \$250 from Selectronics.

Monk brought in a thank you letter from the sponsors of Greenwood week. Other thank you's came from M.R. Path Association and letters from the Warren School kids for dictionaries.

Monk - Triathlon- (Sugarbush Adventure Games) The field where the canoes end their part of the race, is a field of ice, but the paddling stage is on. - Monk will think up a way to get the boats out of the water. Monk will e-mail the volunteers the decision of the committee. Also, there will be a meeting (including refreshments) tomorrow at the Gatehouse at Sugarbush for the volunteers from 5 to 7 PM.

There will be a District Conference held at Stowe April 29th –May 1. If interested, get details from the Rotary Website. See Dave if you need the forms to register.

The Rotary International Convention is in New Orleans from May 21-25. If you are interested, get the details from the Rotary Website.

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 \$38/person, cash bar and the honoree will be Troy Kingsbury. Menu and reservations details will follow soon. Al Barillaro is taking paid reservations and dinner orders.

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.

Several drivers are needed to transport the Turks during their stay here.

Doug Stoehr announced there will be a Rotary Ski Day on April 7th. Meet at the Gatehouse Lodge at 10 AM. If you don't have a ski pass, see Doug, he may be able to arrange a discount ticket for you, otherwise, just show up

Mega Bucks - \$590 to the winner. Jack Miner had another try today, but drew the ace of diamonds for \$5. At least he was not asked to donate the \$5 to a charitable cause.

Happy Bucks

Gene - Thankful the YBYI Raffle project is over (at least the selling part).

Dave Ellison - Happy to have daughter here to celebrate his 70th birthday.

Doug Stoehr - visit from his daughter

Dave K.- storm coming in.

Joe Klimek - Back after 2 months of travel

Jack Simko - Flack jackets arrived for trip to Egypt

Jack Mansfield - Interact Club doing well! Thanks to Bob Holden & Pat Pinkston

Al Barillaro - UConn men & women basketball teams doing well

Bob Holden - Norwich girls won hockey & boys in final. Eli involved in Rotaract club in College.

Betty - Thanks to Gene for working so hard.

Art - pretty drive to Inn this morning - pink over mts.

Monk- Bancroft clan did well in MRG family race

Put - Back after 2 months in Utah

Jim Groom - grandson won age group in MRG mogul contest

PROGRAM

Tara introduced Dori Ingalls who is a 7th generation Vermonter, born in Middlebury to a family seriously involved in sports. She began running at age 4, competing at 6 and continued thru college. Back in the days when it was difficult to find a track team, she often had to train with the guys. Since S. Burlington did not have a girl's team she ran with Middlebury High.

After college she ran away to Hawaii where she remained for over 30 years. While there she owned several businesses specializing in food along a golf course development. She was the first woman president of a Japanese corporation based in Maui.

Throughout her years in Hawaii, Dori continued to run, play tennis, golf, surf and also became heavily involved in organizing sporting events from marathons, ultra distance relays to Ironmen races.

Dori returned to Vermont and bought land on Bragg Hill in 2000. She and her husband, Ian, continued to travel worldwide working in various aspects of sporting events. Dori joined the Mad River Path Association six year ago and has been chairman of Events and Fundraising ever since. Most of you know her thru the Mad Dash and now the Adventure Games. She needs help to run the games.

She is promoting the Mad Marathon and Mad Half & Relays to be held in the Mad River Valley on July 10, 2011. She already has people signed up from many other states. Her goal is 1,000 runners. The Mad Marathon is the pinnacle event of the 3 week Festival of the Great Outdoors- which will embrace 100 events to encourage a healthy life style in various sports and outdoor activities from July 1 to 17, 2011.

She hopes to bring them here by July 4th to meet the community. This is considered an "intimate" race - not a huge affair like the Boston Marathon.

She will describe the beauty of our area and the hospitality of the Country Inns - absence of traffic lights, fast food restaurants or chain hotels in the brochures.

For the current race, there will be a party at Sugarbush after the race and parties at restaurants around the Valley. The finish of the race will be at Mad River Green.

She has met some extraordinary people - runners from 50 states (Vermont is the last one) Some are in wheelchairs.

There is a lot of involvement in an event like this. Megan Smith believes the future depends on Summer sports- especially races to promote our Valley. She has placed ads in Sports Magazines. The finish line of the marathon will be a barn, with a cupola and weathervane and she has 6 or 7 artisans to help with the production.

Dori asked for Rotary's involvement to help at water stations during the race. It will be a happy event for all. The winning time will be about 2 hours and 45 minutes with a cut-off of 3:00pm. It will be a beautiful course - past cows, bridges etc. It's ranked at 40% difficulty.

Her coach from Florida is training for the Ironman race. It is wonderful to talk to participants - some want to move here. The race will start on Rt. 100 near the Waitsfield Inn. She handed out maps showing the course. The race will start at 7:30am and be finished early enough for people who came from Boston to return the same day.

The budget has to be big enough to cover the cost of giving the participants a bag of "goodies" and a participation medal.

Dave promised that our club will give support to the race.

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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