

THE VALE NEWS

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International Conventions & Club Service

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

May 20 NO MEETING (TIMBERS NOT AVAILABLE THIS DAY)
27 Carol Hosford-Charlie Hosford "Project Harmony"

June 3 Ken Friedman - Beverly Kehoe
10 Brian Crandall - Classification Speech
17 Karl Klein
24 Lorraine Keener

July 1 Changeover at Dave Koepele Home

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: Ed Eurich 5/24/16 (93 yrs); Brian Crandall 5/25

Anniversaries: Caryn & John Crump 5/22; Claire & Len Rubin 5/23

The morning sun warmed things up fast after last night's frost and everyone was able to start up their cars and make it to Timbers including guests: Janet Ellison, Anna White and Gene Murphy, a friend of Monk's, who is checking us out to see if he would like to join our club.

Announcements

Ken announced that it is Opera Festival Time. In the afternoon of May 26th, 4 volunteers are needed to set up the Valley Players Theater, from 1 to 3 PM. On May 27th, drivers are needed to pick up the singers from the Burlington Airport at 2 PM, 4 PM and 8 PM. also June 1st

Duck Race Committees

In the absence of BFD (Leo Cohen)

Bruce Bertholon and Joe Klimek are holding a committee meeting for the 4th of July Float after we recite the 4 way test this morning. They will discuss ideas and a theme for the float.

PR Committee for Duck Race. Caryn Crump chairman, with volunteers Lorraine Keener, Karen Winchell and Stan Needleman.

BOD meeting following regular meeting this morning Ken commented he went from Big Duck to 'Lame Duck'.

Peter informed us that Fayston is having a meeting on May 20 to decide if they want to fund a Law Enforcement officer.

Jim Leyton reminded the sustaining Paul Harris members (every Rotarian every Year) that their \$100 payment for this year is due.

Re Changeover event:

An e-mail will be sent out to the members soon - with RSVP requested by June 10th. Checks should be dropped off at Jim Leyton's office or given to Al Barillaro by June 10th. Cost \$15/person + pot luck contribution.

Mega Bucks over \$400 to winner. Karen Winchell tried her hand today – got the ace of hearts and \$5.

Happy Bucks

Karen -Enjoying beautiful weather

Jack Mansfield - His grandchild in Ohio graduated.

Joe Klimek - The GRAPES are growing

Joe Koch - Global warming day

Monk - At National Ski Association, Sugarbush voted best guest services and Mad River Glen best marketing

Jack Miner - Dad visiting from Pa.

Gene Murphy - Thinking about Rotary, happy about grandson's achievements

Judy Reed - 2 kids coming and phoebes built nest over her doorway

Art Conway - Stacked 2 cords of wood for next winter

Sissy -Trump allowed Miss California to keep title.

Jim Leyton - Jackie cooked special fish dinner for Art's birthday.

Peter - passed EMT test

Dave Ellison - Glad to have wife here and daughter visiting from Baltimore

John Crump - got his firefighting gear yesterday.

Jon Jamieson - Happy until just now

Tom Byrne - Glad he lives in Fayston

Ken - only wishes it's possible to talk a fire down.

John Hale - back on the golf course with new hip

PROGRAM

Dave and Janet (with Ken's help on his computer projector) showed slides and told us about their trip to Peru, Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands.

Janet and Dave Ellison presentation about their recent travels to South America: They went on an Elderhostel trip to explore the Inca culture in Peru and to visit the Galapagos Islands of Ecuador.

They started in Lima, Peru, a city of 13 million people. The population of Lima is a mixture of Spanish and native peoples. The city is in a coastal desert, receiving under 1 inch of rain a year. They visited a museum of pre-Inca and Inca culture and also toured some of the Spanish churches and architecture. From there they flew to Cusco, former capital of the Inca empire. They noted that there was only one Inca, who ruled the Inca nation. The highlight of this area was a trip to Machu Picchu, a mountaintop town that had been missed by the Spanish in their conquest of the Inca nation. The quality of the stone construction was so good that it continues to remain in good shape despite its 600 year age and the

impact of earthquakes in this region. Back in Cusco, they visited more museums and cathedrals. These were of Spanish architecture, but were often build on Inca stone foundations.

The tour then went to the Galapagos Islands, about 400 miles off the coast of Ecuador. These islands were made world famous as the foundation of Charles Darwin's development of the theory of evolution. The islands are mostly volcanic, and were much more desolate than they expected (no tropical forests, despite being on the equator). The animals were fascinating, with many unusual animals indigenous to the islands, including the world's only tropical penguins. The number of different animals was less than they expected, but the animals had different features on each of the islands, a key to Darwin's findings. The guides the tour used were very well trained and gave good insights into the mysteries of the islands.

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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