

THE VALE NEWS

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Spring Conferences Month

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

June	6	Bob Grant - Karen Nevin - Valley Arts Foundation
	13	Dinsmore Fulton - MRV Path
	20	Dinsmore Fulton - Cancer Support Group
	26	Changeover Tues. 5 P M - Timbers Restaurant
	27	No Meeting
July	4	No Meeting - 4th of July Parade
	11	Assembly Meeting
	18	Stan Needleman
	25	Pat Pinkston

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: none this week

Anniversaries - Karen & John Winchell 6/4/86

Meeting News

Guy Babb and his crew from our district, led the visioning session for our club tonight. It started with a get-acquainted round with each member of our club describing his Rotary Experience.

Then the salads arrived.

Next Guy listed the items to be discussed in our plans for the future.

- 1) A set of goals for our club
- 2) No plans means failure in the future
- 3) Need for consistency
- 4) Long range plan
- 5) Dream outside the box - enhance public image

We were asked to perform a Vision Exercise by writing a letter to the International President explaining our goals for our club to enter a fictional contest for an inaugural Distinguished Club Medallion. The RI President will present only 3 clubs in the entire world with this award at the gold, silver and bronze levels.

- A) What our club stands for in our community
- B) Number of members in our club in the next 5 years
- C1) Club Service to the community
- C2) Vocational Service - high ethical standards in the workplace
- C3) New Generations - School related programs (Rotaract, interact)
- C4) Community Service - Volunteering for community service - such as flood recovery, assisting in community events
- C5) International Service - We sent medical supplies to Pakistan

Foundation - Our support for Polio+, Paul Harris Members. Hosting GSE groups, exchange students, etc.

Public Image - We take ads in the Valley Reporter, use signage when we are supporting a local event, use a booth at the Farmers Market to sell Duck Race tickets., etc.

Then these ideas on how to improve our club in the future were discussed and listed on charts.

After we enjoyed our meal (pizzas), we were given a set of 29 dots, and we were asked to go around the room and place these dots on the suggestions (on the charts) we thought were the best in each category. At the end of the meeting, Guy and his crew collected all the charts so that Vickie Walluck could tabulate the results. Leo Cohen will then turn the results into a report which we will use to focus our attention on a vision of the future of our club.

Obituary -

Joe Koch, who has been a very active member of our club for many years, passed away on May 25th. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated from our Lady of Snows Catholic Church in Waitsfield on Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at 10 A.M., with a reception to follow. Internment will be in Bragg Hill Cemetery.

Other events - coming up

* Manny Apigian - Golf tournament.

The Golf Tournament will be held at the Sugarbush Golf Course on Father's Day - June 17th - So far 13 teams have signed up. Next thing is to ask for volunteers to assist in running the tournament.

Sponsors - respective members should inform the sponsors about the free advertising on each Tee and suggest the sponsor enter a team. We have some gifts donated to raffle off at the end of the tournament and could use a lot more.

Jack Simko is promoting: The Green Mountain Opera Festival's Opera Extravaganza: A Gala Performance featuring the 2012 Green Mountain Opera Festival soloists.

17 world-class singers will perform arias, duets, and ensembles from many of the great operas, including La Boheme, Don Pasquale, The Pearl Fishers, and other jewels of the operatic repertoire.

Saturday, June 2, 7:30 PM, University of Vermont Recital Hall. Reception with the artists to follow.

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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