

## **THE VALE NEWS**

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International Conventions & Club Service

### **Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments**

May      13 Dave Ellison Dave & Janet on their trip  
            20 NO MEETING (TIMBERS NOT AVAILABLE THIS DAY)  
            27 Carol Hosford-Charlie Hosford <sup>3</sup>Project Harmony<sup>2</sup>

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**

Art Conway and Peter Laskowski both on May 11  
No Anniversaries this week

Warm morning with a little Spring rain brought out lively group, including 5 guests: Ken Amann, Peter Guinness (Rotarian), Rob Williams (Valley Reporter), Anna White and Brenda Sabin from the American Cancer Society.

Ken is sick and Art ran the meeting at Timbers. Ken is suffering from the flu but not the Mexican variety.

### **Announcements**

In response to the survey on evening socials/meetings, Changeover will be on July 1st at the Koepeles' home. It will be an hors d'oeuvres and finger food fiesta.

Wine, beer, water, coffee, tea, a huge shrimp cocktail and a rented tent will be provided at a cost of \$15/person. People will be asked to sign up for other items on the menu, including desserts.

An e-mail will be sent out to the members within the next 10 days – with RSVP requested by June 10th. Checks should be dropped off at Jim Leyton's office or given to Al Barillaro by June 10th.

Leo Cohen (BFD) will start calling members to be on the Duck Race committees beginning with the Duck Counting Party time - TBA.

Jack Mansfield announced that our club has revived the H.S. Speech Contest for this fall and needs volunteers to run the project. Also he was pleased that many scholarship applications have been received. He announced upcoming fund raiser golf tournament.

Heli visited a Rotary Club in the Poconos and brought back a banner (the club had only 12 members, but they have an attendance requirement).

Caryn Crump brought back an armful of banners from her GSE trip to Taiwan. She is still beaming from the trip.

Stan Needleman announced that the Mad River Tennis Club was now allowing children to play on the courts when accompanied by an adult. Membership for the year is only \$110.00 for a single membership and \$155.00 for a family including children of members and grand children as well. He asked that anyone interested in learning more, contact him.

Dave Ellison told us of the Bike Swap to be held in town, similar to the Ski & Skate sale at the Waitsfield Elementary School. It is sponsored by the Health Center. Volunteers are needed for Friday night and during the day Saturday. Call Dave if you want to help out.

Dave Prescott: We were all shocked by his sudden death. The service will be held on the 15th of May at the United Church of Christ in Waitsfield at 2PM. (Note the e-mail with all the details) was forwarded to all the members on May 6th.

**Mega Bucks:** \$398 to winner. Rena lucky ticket - unlucky draw - 2 of spades \$5

### **Happy Bucks**

Joe Klimek - back in valley - he missed us  
Stan - Enjoyed asparagus from his garden  
Al Barillaro - No rude comments from Ken today.  
John Crump - Happy wife has returned from Taiwan  
Ralph - Leg cured!!  
Jack Mansfield - Happy to have received scholarship applications  
Jim Leyton - Well enough to be here today  
Sissy - Relieved that Ralph back on his feet  
Tom Byrne -1) Red Sox won 5 in a row!! 2) Ken stayed home when sick  
Rena -Good to be home from San Diego  
Dave Ellison - Skied in May  
Several - just happy - glad to be here, etc.

### **PROGRAM**

Brenda Sabin, of the American Cancer Society said she was here as a volunteer to tell us what the organization is all about. They are an advocacy group in various legislatures in New England.

At present they are planning a Relay For Life (of Central Vermont) event on June 26-27, 2009 at Montpelier High School. They hope we will get a team together, take turns walking all night and raise money for the Cancer Society. The mission of the Society is to prevent cancer, save lives and diminish suffering from cancer thru research, education, advocacy and service.

What they do: 1) Provide lodging for cancer patients and their families at 3 Hope Lodges when patients come to the hospital for treatments. She said that cancer affects the entire family, not just the patient. Where Hope lodges are not available, some of the inns nearby offer their empty rooms.

2) Provide free transportation to patients for treatments thru their Road to Recovery Program.

3) Mentors - Former cancer patients help new cancer victims to mentally prepare themselves to get thru the ordeal.

4) Look good - feel better. People from salons help patients with make-up so they won't be ashamed to go out in public.

5) Mammography - State laws limit cost to patient to \$25 if not covered by insurance

6) College Students - Nationwide insurance coverage for up to one year after students drop out of college because they have cancer.

In New England there are 234 Relay for Life events this year (14) in Vermont with more than 10,700 teams will raise almost \$26,000,000. Volunteers setup camp sites, enjoy entertainment, activities and special ceremonies that celebrate cancer survivors, and remember loved ones lost to cancer.

They are looking for help thru sponsors for the local event and businesses to encourage the development of a team with their employees.

They also need to borrow tents for the event, or money to rent a tent. Everything they don't have to pay for means more money for cancer victims.

They have made a huge impact on saving lives of cancer patients. Last year they raised \$900,000 in Vermont and canvassed 10,000 people for donations. With this money they helped 75,000 cancer victims in this state.

They are asking us to spread the word and they are looking for survivors to participate in this special event.

For more information contact Brenda Sabin, Committee Co-Chair at 496-6875 or e-mail Jessica [Blais@cancer.org](mailto:Blais@cancer.org)

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