

## **THE VALE NEWS**

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International Conventions & Club Service

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

July        1 Changeover at Dave Koepele's Home  
              8 Liz Kelly - Carol & Jim Groom- Mt. Top Removal  
              15 John Crump  
              22 Betty Maguire  
              29 JACK MINER

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: Jack Mansfield 6/25; John Basile and Jack Simko on 6/27  
Anniversaries - Ken & Pat Amann 6/24; Eliz. & Philip Kelly 6/24; and Frank & Lorraine Rodgers 6/28

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REMEMBER EVERYONE!!! WE ARE MEETING IN THE CASTLE ROCK PUB  
for the rest of the summer.

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### Meeting News

A nice sunny day to end Ken's reign. A large crowd today including guests: John Schwartz, Joshua Schwartz (no relation), T. Tall our district governor and the 3 current scholarships winners: Cecillie Hacherson, Kathryn Barnes and Eli Holden.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Jack Mansfield urged us to attend the concert by "Sirens of Song" at the Cafe Noir on Friday.

Rich Reisner announced that on Thurs. July 23rd, the Hideaway Inn is donating 20% of their proceeds to Vermont Adaptive.

Dave Ellison reported:

Dues for the 2009/2010 club year are due today!!!

Duck Race -

Leo Cohen passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to complete the work on the float and to march with the float on the 4th. The Duck Race raffle tickets are expected in today and will be available by the 4th.

Pig Roast--Sunday July 5 at 5 pm. Advance tickets at farmers market or Blue Toad \$12; \$15 at the door. Children under 10 are \$8

"Deacon Dunk" After the parade at Brook Field--Dunk a Deacon of the Warren Church or another Valley participant. Dunkees welcome, you don't have to be a deacon, just wear a bathing suit--person who attracts the most chances to get dunked wins a floral arrangement from Blue Toad.

Jim Leyton reminded people who are Paul Harris sustaining members that their payment of \$100 is due now.

Carol Hosford - MRV Chorale performing on Thursday

Jack Miner - AARP is giving a driver's safety course July 7th . Contact Jack if interested.

Dave Koepele - Changeover Night at his home on No. Fayston Road. Big crowd expected. Suggest you bring a portable chair (with your name on it) for this outdoor affair.

T. Tall -1) Pleased to see John Crump wearing a tie. John will be in charge of our district "pool" to raise \$ for Water Resources needed in 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries,

2) The GSE team from Taiwan is experiencing difficulties in getting visas, but will be here in mid-September.

3) The "Make Dreams Real" project conducted by Rotary International has reduced the infant mortality rate from preventable diseases by 5000 deaths per day from 30,000 to 25,000 per day for the year 2008 according to the World Health Organization.

4) R. I. passed a resolution to give Jim Leyton a Plaque as a reward for his outstanding dedicated service from May 1, 1995 to the present. This includes club, district and Rotary International service. He was responsible for increased membership in our district (largest percentage increase in the US 2008-9) by 44 members; he served as Asst. District Governor for several years and continues to urge members to become Paul Harris Fellows, etc. etc. The resolution is a page long.

Bob Holden presented the scholarship winners with their checks today and a photo was taken of Ken Friedman, Cecelia Hackerson, Kathryn Barnes and Eli Holden for the Valley Reporter.

Ken got in a few extra bangs with the gavel and thanked his wife, the BOD, John Crump (the tie wearer) and the membership for their help during his year as president, also for all the volunteer help with the opera.

Ken made 3 promises when he started his term :- 1) No new members with a wife named Carol. 2) no member would die, but unfortunately Dave Prescott passed away. 3) Rotary would operate a house of Ill Repute to raise money for our charities, but the BOD would not go along on this one.

Mega Bucks. - \$545 to the winner. - Holder of the lucky ticket was our guest, Carl Schwartz. He was disappointed when he drew the 5 of hearts and received the usual \$5.

## **Happy Bucks**

Len Rubin - Thrilled over Opera. People who did not attend missed a lot

Al Barillaro - Great father's day

Monk - over the flu

Rich - met Bill Gates senior

Jack Mansfield - Thanks for all the help with the Opera

Joe Klimek - golf outing

John Basile - Opera events fantastic for 3 weeks

Joshua Schwartz - ditto

Kathy Friedman - 1st social security check

JUdy - family coming for 2 weeks

Eli - Thrilled over \$2,000 scholarship

Bob Holden - scholarship received today

Jim Leyton 1)celebrated 2nd birthday of grandchild along with 12 other 2 year olds. 2) Surprise award from R.I.

Betty - Happy Jim received well deserved award

John Daniell - congratulated Jim on award with the multiple 'whereases' (there was a 'whereas' for each one of Jim's accomplishments)

Ken Friedman - Scholarships, opera festival, this organization, etc. Grateful that in this year he did not destroy the organization - also for Kathy's social security check.

BOD meeting follows our regular meeting this morning.

## **PROGRAM**

Karl Klein introduced our speaker, Joshua Schwartz , the director of the Mad River Planning district. The Planning District originated in 1983 to trim growth in our Valley. It's members included Warren, Waitsfield, Fayston, the Chamber of Commerce and Sugarbush Resort. They coordinated Sugarbush planning with Valley Planning; supported the Zoning Commission and other municipal as well as individual groups working on a variety of projects to improve our area.

Energy is one area. They have visited over 70 homes and advised them on ways to save energy.

Byway Project - declaring a scenic Byway on route 100 from the junction with 100B to Rt. 17. They will put up a variety of signs telling the story of the Valley and listing viewing sights.

They are working with the MRV Housing Commission to provide more apts. for affordable housing.

They are collecting data on the No. of tourists, on what's happening in the Valley at all times of the year and generally overhauling the data for use by different organizations such as the Path Association. They are forming a baseline to plan for the future. They do a lot of what Rotary does – aid other organizations in the Valley. He noted our Valley has lots of volunteers.

## 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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