

## **THE VALE NEWS**

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Membership & Extension - a time to highlight membership & Extension

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

August 19 John Crump - Rick Hogan - International Water Projects  
26 Dinsmore Fulton - classification speech  
Sept. 2 Frank Rodgers  
9 Ken Amann (classification speech)  
16 Len Rubin  
23 John Straub  
30 Nancy Spencer Smith

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: Joe Klimek 8/13

Anniversaries: none this week

### **Meeting News**

Lively group today in spite of the foggy, gray weather. Doug Stoehr transferred from his Connecticut Rotary Club to our club and received his button this morning. Guests were: Ed Bride, our speaker, Carl Clement, Chris Kirchen and John Daniell.

#### **Duck Race**

Audrey had to pass the sign-up sheets around twice for selling duck race tickets at the Washington Fair, Farmer's Mkt etc. We will need 9 volunteers for the Fair, plus Members needed to sell tickets at Mehuron's and the Farmers Mkt. as usual. Since some people do not sign up at all, it means others have to volunteer more than once! This is our biggest fundraiser - everyone is needed to pitch in. On Monday, Aug. 17, there will be a duck sorting and counting at Joe Klimek's house. More volunteers are needed for this work.

**MEMBERS PLEASE BRING IN YOUR TICKET Stubs AND CASH**

**IT REALLY HELPS THE BOOKKEEPER**

Al Molnar discussed the visit of the GSE team from Taiwan. He requested hosts for the 4 team members from Oct. 9th thru the 12th. He presented the agenda planned for our guests. They will be met in Lebanon, NH (from their hosts in Connecticut). Drivers are needed, to pick them up. Drivers also will turn the guests over to their next hosts in Barre on the 12th after lunch at Flatbread. The team will be presented with "Welcome Baskets" upon arrival.

Betty announced the annual JAIL AND BAIL Fundraiser event for the MR Seniors and passed around a sheet for sponsors to "Bail Out" the volunteer prisoners on Sat. Aug 22, starting at 10 AM when "prisoners" will be jailed.

MEGA BUCKS \$690. Betty drew the Jack of Spades and put her \$5 winnings into Happy Bucks.

## HAPPY BUCKS

Stan - Judy doing well after knee surgery

Monk - Finished his stone wall

John Straub - plans on golf in the sun today

Betty – she's a "green" artist - on Jail & Bail

Jim Leyton - Joyce brought huge sword (prop) and he was able to hold it.

Jack Mansfield - Eli came in 3rd in music contest

Karen- Art has unending supply of young men do bidding

Tom Byrne - golf with Monk today

Jack Miner - Glad Chris Kirchen could join us today.

Jack Daniell- hopes John Crump gets pilot?

Audrey - Happy for worker bees.

Lorraine - going t Denmark for 2 weeks

Joe Koch - had complete physical - 100% pure

John Basile - Happy Birthday Joe Klimek( 8/13)

Joe Klimek - Made it thru entire Rotary meeting next to John Basile

## PROGRAM

Judy Reed introduced Ed Bride of the Prevent Child Abuse Vermont organization.

Ed told us that he had worked behind the scenes for 32 years. The organization started with 12 volunteers. Now they have a BOD and 15 employees to run their various Prevent Child Abuse programs. They cover every county in the state of Vermont.

In 2008, 1,703 parents and children were served by the Circle of Parents Support Groups, Nurturing Parenting Programs and Stress Line calls.

The Circle of Parents Support Groups are co-facilitated by a parent and a professional. They provide an empowering, supportive environment where participants practice mutual help for the prevention and treatment of child abuse. 85% of all members are self-referred. Parents come because they want help and recognize that they need it. These groups stop child abuse faster than any other form of treatment. Emotional abuse decreases in direct proportion to the length of time a parent remains in the group.

In today's society, most of the abuse comes from young couples, who do not know how to handle a baby. One important thing they learn is Never to Shake a Baby. One person called last week asking how to change a diaper.

There is such a demand for their services that they don't have enough volunteers to cover all the programs.

In addition to physical, verbal and sexual abuse, the internet can attract many undesirable responses and has come up with a new set of abuses. Kids don't understand that when they put something on U-Tube, it stays out there forever.

Ed's job is to raise money. There are 2 "Walks for Prevent Child Abuse Vermont" coming up soon; one in Montpelier and one in Burlington, and he was asking our club to make a donation.

## 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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