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Rotary Theme Topic for September - New Generations Youth Services

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

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| Sept | 12 | Restaurant Raffle assignments |
| | 19 | Doug Stoehr - Vince Gauthier Community. Services |
| | 26 | Judy Reed - Health Measures |
| Oct. | 3 | Vermont Legislative Candidates |
| | 10 | Larry Ryan |
| | 24 | Joe Goldstein - Dori Ross of Tonewood Maple8 |
| | 31 | Gary Plewak |
| Nov. | 7 | Waitsfield Champlain Valley Telecom. (at business location) |
| | 14 | Restaurant Raffle Drawing (Winners selection) |
| | 21 | No Meeting (day before Thanksgiving) |
| | 28 | Vicki Walluck - Presentation by daughter on Denmark |

Editor's Note: Please inform Wini (496-6710) of the name of your speaker at least 2 weeks in advance.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: none this week

Meeting News

Nice cool sunny fall weather this morning, but small crowd came in to sign up for contacting restaurants for our Restaurant Raffle. Our only guest was old faithful, John Daniell.

Doug made the following announcements:

*BOD meeting next week

*Report from the Community Committee - They are devising jobs we can do for our community without duplicating services already provided by other groups.

*Gene had a list of 4 subjects from the Vocational committee:

1) Arrange for club meetings at business locations a) Waitsfield Telecom, b) Big Picture Cafe) Waitsfield Inn. Ken Amann, Bruce Bertholon and Bob Holden are on his committee.

2) Contact local High Schools to obtain candidates for the Rotary Speech Contest

3) Gardener's program - We provide seeds; kids plant gardens and bring their produce to a Fall Rotary meeting, where we auction off the produce and use the money to buy seeds next Spring.

4) Partnership with other organizations for projects such as the one providing a supply of wood for Paula Livingston.

*Ken Amann is lining up help to fill Paula Livingston's wood box with fuel for this winter. Community Fund Organization providing wood, we need pick-up trucks to haul the wood to the Livingston Home and unload the wood (with the help of 8 Harwood students) . The event will occur on the morning of Oct. 14th. Paula Livingston was a volunteer with the Mad River Ambulance Service for over 20 years. She will be coming home from the hospital in a wheel chair and needs help.

In the beginning, she needs a loan of a Rennai (propane gas heater) as she will be unable to lift wood into the stove,

*Jon Jamieson looking for help with water stations for the Mad Dash Race to be held in the morning of Sept. 16th. Starts at Small Dog Bldg.

*Gary Plewak - Duck Race Report (note winners listed last week in both the Newsletter and the Valley Reporter)

Total gross sales: \$18,000 Net sales: \$14,700.

Gary thanked all the members who sold tickets, some were there every week, some did more than one shift. Duck pins awarded to the top sellers. Gary willing to help out next year, but not lead the project in perpetuity.

Ken Amann not willing to lead the Outhouse (YBYI) project in perpetuity, but will help out.

Mega Bucks \$380 to winner. Stan drew the 3 of spades and collected \$5.

Happy Bucks

Jim Leyton gave his Rotary presentation for the Rotary Person-of-the -Year award (for all the helpers with the Irene recovery effort last year) at the Bridge St. Festival last Saturday, under the Covered Bridge during the downpour. It was well received and someone took his picture

Bruce Bertholon - happy Duck Race over
Gary - Duck Race over - no assignments this week
Brian Crandall - happy to be here this week
Monk - Jane's family visiting
Al Barillaro - happy - Luca ??
Betty - kudos to Duck Race leader - great job
Tom - 5 more days in Vermont

Ken Amann - reserved Skinner Barn for daughter's wedding party
Gene - Glad Doug returned a week early
Doug - nice visit with 92 year old mother
John Daniell - intrigued with Ken's running Ice Outhouse project in perpetuity
Ken Friedman - Is perpetuity one word or two?

PROGRAM

David Babic was voted the leader of the Restaurant Raffle. He has agreed to do the job (but not in perpetuity) even though he was absent when the vote was taken.

He has put the list of 64 participating restaurants on his laptop which he displayed on a screen and entered the name of each member who made contact with that restaurant during the last Raffle.

Then he asked for volunteers when there was no member assigned to that restaurant.

This procedure worked well and I believe he now has all the restaurants signed up. He reminded the members that time is limited, because he wants all the restaurants signed up before the raffle tickets are printed.

Thanksgiving is early this year - the 22nd of November, meaning there is no meeting on the 21st and the Drawing will have to be on the 14th of November.

The committee will send all the restaurants a letter asking them to donate a gift certificate. Dave has already called 50 restaurants. Next step is a visit by the member assigned to them.

Dave will e-mail every member a copy of this spreadsheet.

It was also suggested that we print "thank-you" cards to pass-out to the members so that when they visit one of our restaurants, they leave a card thanking them for their participation.

David plans to create a Website where raffle tickets can be bought on line.

We can see David was really burning the midnight oil to accomplish so much in such a short time

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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