THE VALE NEWS

Vol. 38 Issue No. 10 Sept. 18, 2013 Rotary Theme Topic for September - New Generations Youth Service - a time to highlight Rotary's commitment to Youth

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

Sept	18 25	Chris Pierson - classification speech Catherine Kalkstein - Wash County Diversion Program
Oct.	2	N0 morning meeting - Hietzker Party, dinner at Mad River Glen - Cocktail Hour 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM Dinner at 6:00 PM
	9	Robert Roper - Pres Ethan Allen Inst.
	16	open
	23	open

30 open

Note: Robert Roper was postponed a week to make room for the Hietzker party.

Editor's Note: Please inform THE SPEAKER COMMITTEE IF YOU HAVE A speaker in mind. They need suggestions.

Birthdays: Tom Byrne 9/22

Anniversaries: David & Katie Babic 9/22

Meeting News

According to Chris Bohjalian in an article in the Burlington Free Press, the Vermont fall season will be a "phantasmagoric foliage extravaganza" this year. This morning felt like a fall day and the leaves are just starting to turn. By next week, the Mad River Valley should be over-run by leaf peepers.

Our guests today were: Carla and Steve Bell

They are parents of Quinten Bell who currently is an Outbound Exchange Student in Switzerland. The family was awarded a \$1000.00 award to pay for the mandatory language school that is required by Switzerland. They did not come to view the leaves, they came to receive the \$1,000 check.

Announcements

Ron Geren is out of the hospital, recovering from surgery.

BOD today.

Lac-Megantic Concert on Tuesday, 7 PM September 24th at McCarthy Arts Center, St. Michael's College, Colchester, Vt. \$20 adults, \$15 children & students.

Waterbury/ Stowe Fellowship Dinner and Golf Scramble to honor visiting So. African Rotarians - CC of Vt. Oct. 3rd

Dave E. I forgot to make an announcement at the meeting regarding the need for volunteers to work at the Mad Dash, the morning of October 13 (Sunday). Anyone interested should contact Dinsmore Fulton.

Heli announced the Couples Club dinner this Saturday from 4 - 7 PM. He passed around a sign-up sheet for those wishing to attend. For more information call Heli.

Al Barillaro passed around a sign-up sheet for the Oct. 2nd party.

Gene Scarpato has begun plans for our fall Restaurant Raffle. He has 52 restaurants lined up and will send them letters asking them to give us gift certificates. Then he needs members to follow up and visit these restaurants to obtain the certificates.

Exchange student grant - Ken Amann took photos of Manny handing the grant check to Carla.

Jim Leyton - his committee needs speakers for open dates in October and November. Please contact him if you have someone in mind.

***Mega Bucks** - \$629 (24 cards remaining in deck) Carol Hosford drew the 7 of spades for the consolation prize of \$5

HAPPY BUCKS

Jack Miner - His son Greg is visiting this week Ken Amann - His daughter's wedding will be on Saturday and he thanked all the Rotarians who offered to help with the preparations (driving, hosting, etc.) John Daniell - hopes Ken will enjoy the wedding Ken F. - grandson playing soccer @ Hardwood field Ken N. - being in Vermont is great - no better place Stan N. - agrees with Ken N. Jack Simko - A lady asked him to repair 2 chairs and gave him a check for \$60. He turned the check over to our club. Tom Byrne - 1)nice cruise 2) niece on Crystal Cruise Jim Leyton - 2 great days at Killington - concert Heli - sold house in 2 weeks Art - going to Yellowstone Al Barillaro - Sad Buck - Past Rotarian shot in Wash. DC shooting Dave E. - put in new sewer; washed rocks Karen W. - Going to meet niece's new child in Conn. Jim Reagan - Going to Quebec for "Irish" memories-

Program

Chris Pierson gave his classification speech:

Chris Pierson bared his soul to the group on Tuesday. Born in IL, he spent the first 13 years of his life in Milwaukee and then his family moved to Pottstown, PA where his father was the resident physician at the Hill School.

Chris attended Hill, Westminster, and spent the last two years of high school in Deep River, CT. The day he graduated from high school he got a job as first mate on a 72' ketch on which he sailed throughout New England during the summer and then began to deliver boats from New England to points south. His longest trip was from Essex, CT. to Antigua. Having scratched his sailing itch he moved back to New England and went to UVM. He got a summer job at Sugarbush and worked with fellow Rotarian, Heli.

Chris worked in the Valley at various restaurants and also did construction work including a stint at North Wind Power.

From there he went to work at Vermont Castings, Black Magic Chimney Sweeps, Miguels' Stowe Away, Highland Sugarworks, Chef Express.net, Home Depot until he landed his dream job working at Cabot.

During his work in the specialty food industry, Chris served as President of the Vermont Specialty Food Association.

Chris is the Northeast Marketing and Community Relations Manager at Cabot and gets to work closely with the farmers and the communities in which Cabot has plants.

Two wonderful boys, Blair and Caleb, were the highlight of his first marriage and now he is married to the woman of his dreams, Patty Cady.

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Editor's note: Thanks Chris for emailing your speech. You talked too fast for me to take notes. Wini

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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