THE VALE NEWS

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Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

- Oct. 6 Leon Bruno Dr. Ruth Young
 - 13 Joff Cowan (of the Montpelier club) "Micro Credit in Nogales, Mexico"
 - 20 Walter Brink II- Classification Speech
 - 27 Vickie Walluck Classification speech
- Nov. 3 Karl Klein Erik Brattstrom and Dotty Kyle
 - 10 Peter Laskowski
 - 17 Rosemarie White
 - 24 No Meeting (day before Thanksgiving)
- Dec. 1 OPEN
 - 8 Restaurant Raffle Drawing

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: none

Anniversaries: Brian & Christine Crandall, Heli & Gail Hietzker both on the 29th of September.

Meeting News

The colors in the valley are magnificent. Take the time to drive around and take photos before the storms blow all the leaves from the trees and bushes. I noticed the sky was pink this morning – Sailor's warning - on my way to the meeting - and showers are predicted. The inn was buzzing with the conversations of 38 people, including guests: Anne Silloway, our speaker, who is representing the ShelterBox Organization today and Anna and Benjamin White.

Announcements

Audrey hit the gavel and after everyone quieted down announced that the BOD last week had voted to donate \$500 to the Warren Historical Society. The Christmas Party will be held at the Common Man Restaurant in December shortly before Christmas. Details will follow when final arrangements have been made.

Heli told us there will be a pot luck supper starting at 4:30 PM today at The Sugarbush Airport for Ole Mosesson who is here on a visit. Bring a dish and BYOB.

Karl asked for volunteers to help the Interfaith Council move someone this weekend. Please call him at 496-4646 to help.

Restaurant Raffle

Art Conway

Art was taking signed certificates of Restaurants from members and noting them on his chart. All are needed by Next meeting. He coaxed a few more members to get in contact with the last 5 establishments still unspoken for. 51 have been targeted so far. Ralph & Sissy will be back next week.

Mega Bucks \$1,000. to the winner. Ta-Dah-Ta-Dah--John Hale drew the joker from the deck - It certainly was his lucky day!!!!!

Happy Bucks

Joe Klimek - Invited us to attend a Harvest Party at his vineyard on East Warren Road - 2 PM Friday Oct. 1st Ken Friedman - Enjoyed 1st night of the movie series Al Barillaro- Pretty ride to the inn this morning Dave Koepele - Glad someone won Megabucks Dave Ellison - Magnificent views in the valley Brian Crandall - Happy to be back Art Conway - good time at the movies Ken Amann -Glad that John Hale won Len -Tuesday night at the movies sold out John Basile - ready to pick grapes or stomp on them Monk - back from D.C.- security tight Joe Koch - Some kind of week! Bob Holden - Happy to sit next to John Hale today Stan - Just happy Karl - Motorcycle trip to Maine with Dinsmore & Leo John Hale - Thrilled to pick Joker and going to Maine to visit daughter

Editor's Note: Doug Stoehr assisted with taking notes today.

PROGRAM

Dave Ellison introduced Anne Silloway, a former president of the Randolph Club and very active in many Rotary activities including being a GSE leader of a trip to India.

What is a Shelterbox? A Shelterbox contains: a Custom-designed 10 person tent, thermal blankets, insulated ground sheets, multi-fuel stove, cooking utensils, tools, water purification equipment waterproof ponchos, mosquito nets, and children's activity pack.

The Shelterbox organization is the largest international organization to provide shelter and warmth in cases of disaster. It is run by the Rotary Clubs, not RI.

Dave Ellison presented Anne with a check for \$1,000 from our club, enough to buy one Shelterbox. The boxes are packed in the US and distributed by huge cargo planes

Whenever there is a disaster, they send a response team to the area who organizes the distribution of the boxes with the help of local Rotary Clubs. They are usually the first people on the scene, ahead of the US Army.

They were in Haiti 18 hours after the earthquake hit the island. The team needs fit and knowledgeable people at the scene to help in emergencies- example- mother giving birth, a child requiring an amputation. One piece of equipment is a life "Straw" which can filter 10 liters of water/hour. Clean water is essential in a disaster to prevent cholera. The Straws remove bacteria, toxins etc. and are included in the box.

They also supply school boxes with pencils and other school supplies to start classes. Many big companies donate storage space around the world to store these boxes for emergency use.

Rotary Clubs started the idea, now it has gained momentum thru other organizations such as the Boy Scouts, churches etc. It is the largest Rotary Project in the world. (Polio is an RI project)

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