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New Generations Youth Services - A time to highlight Rotary's Commitment to Youth

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

Sept. 16	Len Rubin - Sal Spinosa - Impact of the Environment on the homeowner
23	Ralph Walker - Restaurant Raffle Kickoff
30	Ken Amann (Classification speech)
October 7	cancelled
10	Evening meeting at Crumps' residence to welcome Taiwan GSE
14	Rosemarie White - Alan Day Bank Economist
21	Doug Stoehr (classification speech)
28	Stan Needleman

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: Adam Greshin 9/9; Len Rubin 9/11

No Anniversaries this week.

Another bright, sunny, cool day (47°). Dave Koepele was away and Art Conway led the meeting. Our guests included: Tom Golodik from N.H., Chris Kirchen from Conn. Bill Doyle, our senator from VT and Anna & Benjamin White on their way to school. Art welcomed our latest member, Bob Cumiskey into our club.

Announcements

Duck Race results: Leo Cohen, as his last act as BFD, reported The first duck to pass thru the opening belonged to David Steinman of Waitsfield who is receiving a check for \$1,000.

Duck number two made April Pratt of Newmarket, NH better off by \$500.

And our own Put Putnam won \$250, placing third. Nobody won the \$25,000. Maybe next year?? To keep up the tradition, Jim Leyton fell in the brook.

From preparing for the parade on the fourth of July to race day, this BFD has had nothing but good natured willing support from all of the Mad River Rotarians. Virtually everyone who was asked to do a job responded, and that made my job easy. I thank you all.

Heli - Kickoff Event of the Warren Library -sponsored by the Vermont Humanities Council. Come and hear about "When the Emperor was Divine" by Julie Otsuka. A story about the Japanese-American Internment Experience during World War II. Thursday, October 1st: 5:30 PM Registration; 6:00 Community Potluck; 7:15 Rotary Welcome, Ellen Bruno Speaker. Cost: Bring a dish to pass (salad, side dish or dessert)

Al Molnar reminded us about the upcoming visit of the GSE Team from Taiwan. He requested the committee (drivers and hosts) to meet after regular meeting to discuss arrangements.

Upcoming R.I. Convention in Montreal . Tom Byrne gave us some estimates on the costs of hotels and registration for the convention. Hotel single rooms are over \$200 and registration for the convention is \$295. This does not include food and drinks. If interested call Tom for details.

Mega Bucks - \$743 to the winner. Ken Amann pulled out the Jack of Clubs from the deck. The odds are improving every week!

HAPPY BUCKS

Art Conway - Happy to have Bill Doyle here today

Al Barillaro- Won't have to look at Art putting up the tent at the Farmers Mkt now that the Duck Race is over.

Carol Hosford - Spent time with family in Iceland

John Crump- Nice warm day

Jim Leyton -Beat John Crump by wearing a tie today

Leo - Dinsmore at family camp with women in NH,

Len - Happy to have made it this far and everyone else who did.

David Ellison - Lot of people getting married because 9/9/09

Monk - Ducks behaved (did not swim upstream)

Jon Jamieson - Eldest daughter 10 today.

Audrey - Thanks to Len for helping me with the duck race records.

Jim Groom - Happy his neighbor is visiting Rotary.

Tom Byrne - Spent weekend in Portsmouth, N.H. and going to visit dad in N.C.

Al Barillaro - Happy for Len's birthday.

Several others had ³Happies² that we could not keep up with today as it was pretty noisy. You were not slighted on purpose.

Senator Bill Doyle addressed us today. He believes the Vermont legislature serves the state very well. Salaries are small compared to other states, that is why most of the legislators have other jobs.

His father and mother were both in politics in New Jersey. Bill is a teacher at Johnson State where all of his students are future teachers.

He taught U.S. history and Vermont history, combining the study of history with democracy. Many of his students have gone into the Vermont legislature. He e-mailed me the following:

Here are the points made at Rotary:

- 1) Supreme court ruling relating to representation in 1960 favored the urban & suburban areas as opposed to the rural areas
- 2) I strongly support the four year term for governor and legislative term could remain at 2 years
- 3) Gave support to Senator Sanders for his strong support for community health centers
- 4) Strongly believe that our citizen legislature is superior to the full time legislators.

When asked about health programs for the state, he said that the state legislatures are waiting for the federal government to enact a National Health bill in order to find out how much financial help they they will receive, as a universal health program will cost a bundle.

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