

# The Maverick



Rotary Club of Vergennes

October 22, 2013

## Events

Maverick Bake Sale  
During Holiday Stroll  
12/7/2013

Christmas Party and Dinner  
12/17/2013

Holiday Fund Raiser

## Online

[www.Rotary7850.org](http://www.Rotary7850.org) - District Site

[www.Rotary.org](http://www.Rotary.org) - RI web site

[www.VergennesRotary.org](http://www.VergennesRotary.org) - Us

## Rotary Club of Vergennes

P.O Box 313  
Vergennes, VT 05491  
*Officers for 2013-2014:*

Anthony Panella - President  
Patty Paul - President Elect  
Walter Kuehn - Secretary  
Mary McKinnon - Treasurer  
Susan Burdick - Past President

### *Directors:*

Robert McNamara  
James Weening  
Lynn Jackson-Donnelly  
Scott Gaines

*Sergeant-at-Arms:*  
Father Yvon Royer



*A message from the President...*

I begin this newsletter with a poem by Edgar Allen Poe while we observe and celebrate All Hallows Eve dedicated to remembering the dead.

## Silence

*by Edgar Allan Poe*

There are some qualities - some incorporate things,  
That have a double life, which thus is made  
A type of that twin entity which springs  
From matter and light, evinced in solid and shade.  
There is a two-fold Silence - sea and shore-  
Body and soul. One dwells in lonely places,  
Newly with grass o'ergrown; some solemn graces,  
Some human memories and tearful lore,  
Render him terrorless: his name's "No More."  
He is the corporate Silence: dread him not!  
No power hath he of evil in himself;  
But should some urgent fate (untimely lot!)  
Bring thee to meet his shadow (nameless elf,  
That haunteth the lone regions where hath trod  
No foot of man,) commend thyself to God!

Enough of that!

Another fun Tuesday meeting and of course the room was warm. We had a good turnout, two guests and Soph.

Our guests this week were Bruce Zeman from Farm Fresh Radio 102.9 and Jen Roberts Markowski, local Chocolatier.

### Rotary Minute

The minute this week was presented by Claude which was the status of the clubs website. CJ added Facebook 'Like' to the site and still is looking for additional material from the membership to complete the site build. This led to a discussion and idea from Big Dog with using the 'Like' logo with Rotary as part of a pin the Rotarians could wear. Tom Heeter is going to look into creating this pin idea.

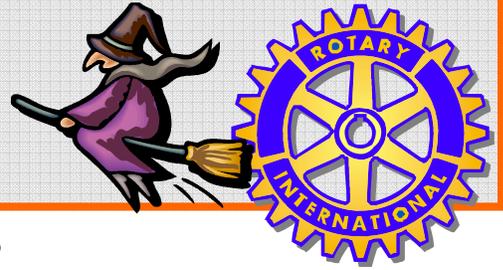
### This Weeks Program

Patty had program who presented Lee Shorey who introduced us to Jen Roberts Markowski, owner of Daily Chocolate.

Jen who has owned Daily Chocolate for 4.5 years is maintaining the business which is 60% wholesale and 40% retail and continues to expand out of state sales. She grew up on a dairy farm in Cornwall, went to Johnson State College, married Judd Markowski and now has two young girls.

The chocolate is made while the store is open on Tuesdays through Friday which is what Jen prefers to do versus managing people. The community and the stores location has been great and she uses local daily and maple products in her creations. Jen brought in samples and mentioned the high antioxidant level of dark chocolate.

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## Actions/Announcements

Rob McNamara will be presenting a special membership program on Tuesday 10/29.

Speech Contest will be happening soon after the holidays.

Thank you to Richard and Mary for hosting a wonderful Halloween Party.

Mary thanked Aaron for supporting the Gaines household and coming to the party.

The VUHS Senior class was successful with their walking fund raiser and expect to raise \$5,000 for the student foundation.

Lynn reported on the upcoming holiday raffle. She mentioned the prizes we have thus far. She also asked the Rotarians for some financial help to acquire additional items for the raffle. Please see Lynn if you would like to get involved with the holiday fund raiser.

Thanks Cookie for making us look good in the Valley Voice.



## Tuesday October 29th Agenda

Program - *Rob McNamara*

Minute - *George Gardner*

Prayer - *Sue Burdick*

Songs - *Richard Wright*

Humor - *Tim Vincent*

*Hope to See You All at  
Breakfast!*

