

#### **Events**

Maverick Bake Sale **During Holiday Stroll** 12/7/2013

Christmas Party and Dinner 12/17/2013

#### Holiday Fund Raiser

#### Online

www.Rotary7850.org - District Site

www.Rotary.org - RI web site

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

### **Tuesday's Meeting**

Where's Walter? Where is Tony? Rumor has it that Tony called Sue and Greg at 6:12 this morning to report he had a hot call at the hospital and was working the IT issue from his basement in his PJ's? The usual comments from the usual people questioned that story! A few of the Maverick's just wished they could be there to assess the situation.

Anyway, Sue Burdick took charge and welcomed guests Phoebe Plank, Scott Hardy, Sophie Donnelly and Honorary Member Henry Broughton who some of us have not seen since changeover.

#### **Rotary Minute**

The minute this week was presented by Scott Gaines who guizzed the club on Rotary facts. The club did not fail but the Maverick's didn't do great either according to the scribe for the day.

#### **VUHS** Update

Phoebe got us up-to-date with the goings on at the high school. She mentioned the October 17th walkathon raised \$5,200 and thanked Vergennes Rotary for our participation. She delivered an extensive sports program report. A German student exchange just occurred here in Vergennes and in April of 2014, 33 VUHS students will be traveling to Germany.

The Broadway Review is scheduled for November 20-23 and will be presented at the Opera House. November 25th is the Na-

tional Honor Society induction. Student Alice Kaufmann was invited to sing in Nashville.

#### **Happy Dollars**

Father Royer collected the happy dollars which Chief George won and donated his winnings to "Booked for Bikes" The dialog highlight was the service project that Rob and CJ worked on Saturday in Monkton. A handicap ramp was built for a Polio victim which was not as easy as expected but overwhelmingly rewarding. Thank you gentlemen, a job well done.

#### This Weeks Program

Patty Paul had this weeks program and introduced us to Scott Hardy, local entrepreneur, inventor and creator of the New England Overshoe Company NE-OS.

Scott passed around several plastic toys and asked the group to find some other use for the toy. Several ideas of questionable value were presented by fellow Rotarians! The idea was to get everyone thinking "outside the box" for innovative ideas. This is the basis of his business. He takes good ideas and takes it from idea to production. The NEOS boots is a product brought through a process of idea, development to production. He now helps others develop their ideas.

"Quirky.com", a GE owned business is a partner with people with ideas by helping them to get through the process.

# The Mayerick

#### **Rotary Club of Vergennes**

#### Actions/Announcements

Rob received a quote from the Old Lantern Inn for our holiday party consisting of a buffet and appetizers for \$30/person.

Lynn reports that the gift raffle tickets are ready for us to sell and we have a display of these gifts in Classic Stitching. Thank you Lynn.

Tom Heeter designed a 'Like Rotary button and received a club okay to have them made. Thank you Tom.

I received a Rotary minute from Sonny Holt who will be submitting these on a frequent basis. If anyone would like to use this information for their minute let me know and I will send these minutes to you.

If you have program coming up and don't have an entry at this time, we have some waiting in the wings. Let us know so we can supply you the information.

## ENGAGE ROTARY CHANGE LIVES

#### November 5, 2013

Walter and Tony finally joined our meeting late, Tony not in pj's and Walter not dressed for a boiler installation. The scribe proclaimed, "Strange Morning".

"We must not, in trying to think about how we can make a big difference, ignore the small daily differences that we can make which, over time, add up to big differences that we often cannot foresee."

> - Marian Wright Edelman, lawyer, educator activist



Scott Hardy

Tuesday November 12th Agenda

Program - Sue Burdick

Minute - Mike Donnelly

Prayer - Scott Gaines

Songs - Sue Burdick

Humor - Tim Vincent

Hope to See You All at Breakfast!