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Meetings are at 7:15am every Tuesday at the Wilderness Restaurant, Main Street

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COLEBROOK, NH KIWANIS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 11TH AT THE REGULAR MORNING MEETING

Guests this week were Key Clubbers Lt. Gov Kyle, VP for Canaan Key Club Julie, Jess, Brad, Lanea, and Brenda.

Key Club News

Colebrook Academy worked on the Cinderella Project for the Stratford Schools. They are still busy working on their scrapbook for convention and introducing Errol Consolidated School to Samantha Skunk. *Canaan High School* held elections and Abby Young is their new president. Congratulations! The Clubbers held a poster contest to support their school's basketball team. Introducing The Read Across America Program to the elementary grades. They are still readying for convention. Their MORP dance (prom spelt backwards) is March 25.

Pittsburg School was visited by members Joe, Vito, Brad and Sam. Advisor Dan and club member had nice hooded sweatshirts for Club. Plan to bring 5 kids from Boston for a cultural exchange after attending a diversity training class in Waterville Valley recently.

Builders – meeting this afternoon, but no report.

Inter-Club Meetings

Inter-Club has had no recent inter-club meetings with Berlin or St. Johnsbury. Sonja expressed that we need to go to Berlin soon. There were inter-clubs at Canaan & Pittsburg Key Clubs and were attended by Sam, Joe, Dan, Brad, and Vito.

Happy \$s

Renee announced the Canaan girls basketball team placed 2nd.

SPEAKER

Mike G talked about a fund raising project his other Kiwanis Club does in North Carolina. He presented our project involving fruit sales to his group there and they adopted the project for their Club. However, this one involves drop shipping the fruit to the customers. He explained that it eliminates thousands of hours involved with coordinating and delivering the fruit the way our Club had. Mike provided a brochure for each table to look at with 17 different products that customers can order. Basically, we can put an ad in the paper that we are selling the fruit. The customers fill out the order blank with our designated number on it. Customers can include a message with their delivery. We can also, send a thank you note to them for ordering. We get a percentage

of the sales and they do all the work. The company stands by replacing anything that is spoiled. Donald has information and if we do wish to get involved with the fruit company it was suggested that we not start until September. Mike explained that we just need a focus person to take the orders and fax or mail them in. Immediate Past President Roland stated he has 550 names in a database that could be used to solicit. We are only compensated for what we sell, but not what they order outside the project.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Beth announced her resignation as Secretary after 6 years in the position. Beth plans to stay through until October to finish out the year and to help train a replacement. Her increased responsibility with work, home, and husband's decline in health are not allowing her the time she used to have to do the job the way she would like. She is looking forward to being a member in the peanut gallery! Having only missed meetings due to illness or vacation in almost 6 years she is looking forward to being a regular member. She mentioned she would like to be a member of the Board of Directors and her request was noted by the Nominating Committee. Beth was given a round of applause for her dedicated work as our secretary.

Nomination Committee please was meeting after the meeting. **OUR ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE APRIL 11TH AT OUR REGULAR MORNING MEETING.**

Past President's met to discuss nominations for the Board after the meeting.

Projects

Moosey Info Booklet reported that most all ads are returned. The project is on track.

President Carolyn brought to the Membership a request made by Officer Stevens at a previous meeting for assistance in helping with a program called RAD Kids. It was decided at the Board meeting to bring the program to the General Membership for discussion on how to assist the program. The project needs \$2,500 to start while waiting to get a grant that has been submitted. As mentioned, the training for Officer Stevens was paid for by the Colebrook Key Club as a project. Discussion ensued. It was mentioned that we had \$600 left over from the Washington Trip and it could be used. *Motion made that we have a fund raiser 120 Raffle in conjunction with the Key Club for the RAD Kids Project which will be reimbursed when they receive the grant it was amended to add the \$600 that is undedicated in the account now toward a starter fund and it was approved. Another motion was made to retract the amendment to remove the \$600 for the Washington Trip because it came from private donations and it was approved. There was discussion where the \$600 came from and it was thought it came from personal donations for Washington Trip but \$700. It was clarified by Treasurer Gaetane that the \$600 did not come from the personal donations but was a budgeted line item. It was felt that the 120 Raffle could handle the full amount.

Pat won the Weekly Drawing and will be singing next week.

Guest Speaker next week is Jenny Sell.

Thought For The Day

What counts is not necessarily the size of the dog but, the fight in the dog. (Mary)