



Foster City Rotary

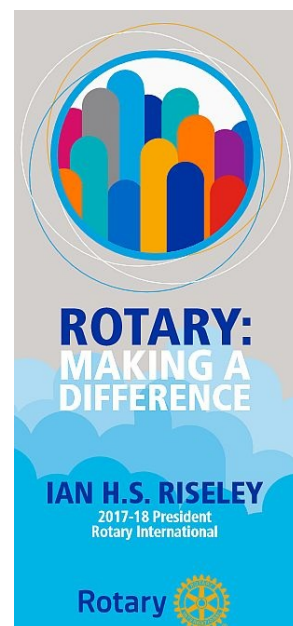
The Club That Cooks

In The Community

October 25, 2017

12:15 p.m.

Bulletin Notes: Steve Okamoto



President Rick Wykoff called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. and welcomed attendees of the Rotary Club of Foster City, known in Rotary circles as "The Club that Cooks!"

Club Duties

The following members gave their service to the Club today:

Greeter: Malonie Maxwell
Thought for the Day: Mary Bates
Flag Salute: Larry Kavinoky
Minutes: Steve Okamoto

Thought for the Day: "Tragedy is a tool for the living to gain wisdom, not a guide by which to live". Robert Kennedy

Visiting Rotarians & Guests

We had no visiting Rotarians but we had a guest of Michelle Bodley. Her name is Suzanne Cornell.

Sunshine Committee

Rel Kempf mother of 93 recently passed away.

Good News

Yours truly was proud to announce that his son, Brad, working for YouTube, negotiated a deal with Major League Baseball to advertise "YouTube TV" on the World Series telecast.

Ed Grohe recently returned from SoCal celebrating his second granddaughter's second birthday.

Martha Bronitsky was happy to announce that her son was married at a perfect wedding.

Donna Smith-Powers told us that Larry Kavinoky helped clear brush from a patch in Oregon. Unfortunately he also rolled around a patch of Poison Oak. Itch.

Jeff Brown offered his home in Guerneville rent free to any of the families that was displaced by the North Bay fires.

Mary Lou's grandson is expecting his first child in April. She also recently returned from a wonderful vacation at the Grand Canyon.

Patricia Nutting sadly informed us that she recently had to put down her 14 year old dog.

Mae Matos, unfortunately was a victim of the Santa Rosa fire. Her home was burned to the ground.

[Announcements](#)

Jeff Rosen announced that the Club will host the First Annual Golf Tournament of Monday, May 21, 2018. Proceeds will go towards the many non-profits that serve a vital need in San Mateo County. We need players, sponsors and volunteers. Please see Jeff to offer your support. President Rick announced that Bob Caplan has a new name, Caplan & Wong CPAs.

President Rick also installed new member Donna Smith-Powers to the Club. Donna was sponsored by Larry Kavinoky.

President Rick also announced "Perfect Attendance" members. 40 Years-Jon Grant and Greg Kuhl. 33 years for Dave DeSmidt, 31 Ollie Pattum, 25 Gil Guerin, 17 for Rick Wykoff and Linda Grant, 16 for Larry Lowenthal and Noemi Avram, 12 for Larry Kavinoky, 10 for Mike Hoffman, 9 for Mary Bates, 7 for Jeff Brown, 6 for Mary Lou Griffin, 5 for Cyndy Simms, 4 for Ed Grohe, 3 for Jim Goell, 2 for Curtis Chen, Alvin Joe, and Rel Kempf, and 1 for Mark Watson, Rich Biederman and Debi Williams.

[Program - Club Assembly](#)

Today we discussed how to get our Club members more enthused, involved and passionate about attending meetings and joining our service opportunities. Linda Grant, our Club Champion gave us some reasons was that we lost some key projects such as our wheel chair program, no longer building schools, not collecting clothes, no Safe Street, no bowling and no Art and Wine. Linda wants us to get back our passion. She wants us to volunteer, call members who aren't attending and invite your neighbor.

Linda gave us one project that we should embrace and that is Second Harvest Food Bank's "Brown Bag for Seniors". We will volunteer at the Rec Center on the 2nd and 3rd Fridays of the month, starting in February. We would bag groceries delivered by Second Harvest and give them to seniors at the Rec Center. Stay tuned for more information.

President Rick also gave us his thoughts. Rick was very concerned about the lack of attendance. When we don't have at least 45 members at lunch (our guarantee) then the Club has to pay for the missing members. The Board is considering several options including being strict about the percentage of meetings you must attend otherwise it could jeopardize your membership status. Perhaps having one payment for dues and lunches.

Other comments by members were to attract more visiting Rotarians, stop the constant solicitation of funds for TRF, look at the demographics of our Club compared to the demographics of our City. We need more minorities and businesses. Let's talk to the Visas, Gileads and other large companies to join as Corporate members. Finally a thought was to invite new comers to the City so they could meet businesses in our Club that would be useful to the new resident.

President Rick asks all of you to send in your comments on how to improve attendance or how to make the Club more relevant. We need to get our PASSION back!

President Wykoff adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

[Thank You Notes](#)

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Sergeant at Arms:	Larry Lowenthal & Ed Grohe

[Upcoming Club Duties](#)

Date	Greeter	Thought of the Day	Pledge
8-Nov	Mark Watson	Mike Davidson	Linda Grant
15-Nov	Jeff Rosen	Stan Pond	Peter Lauber
22-Nov	DARK		
Eve 28-Nov	Rich Mozzini		Gigi Carter
6-Dec	Mae Matos	Patricia Player	Ollie Pattum

Samaritan House Dining Room Volunteer Schedule

Monday, December 4
John Grant
Linda Grant
Cyndy Simms

Location; Masonic Hall, 303 Tilton Ave, San Mateo 4:45 to 6:45 p.m.

Note: If you are unable to serve it is your responsibility to find a replacement. If you are unable to find a replacement, please let Rotarian Stephanie Masten know and she may be able to take your place.

Upcoming Speakers

Nov 8th: Sheriff K-9 unit
Nov 15th: PDG Chris Gallagher (Bay Model)
Nov 22: Dark due to Thanksgiving Eve.
Nov 29: Dark do to Nov 21 Social mtg.
Dec 6th: FC/SM Fire Chief Will Talk About the Napa/SR fires

Upcoming Events

November	The Rotary Foundation
22	DARK
27	Evening Social
28	DARK
December	Disease Prevention and Treatment (RI Area of Focus)
2-3	One Warm Coat Collection
10	Club holiday party
20	Children's Holiday Party
27	DARK
January	Vocational Service
13	41 st Anniversary of Rotary Club of Foster City
February	Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution (RI Area of Focus)
2	Spaghetti/BINGO Fundraiser for Foster City Police/Fire Departments with Foster City Lions Club
March	Water and Sanitation (RI Area of Focus)
3	Holi Festival Fundraiser
17	District 5150 Learning and Development Assembly
April	Maternal and Child Health (RI Area of Focus)
1-5	Yurok Tribe Playground Project
TBA	2 nd Annual Wine and Jazz Benefit

May 4-6 21	Youth Services District 5150 Conference Golf Tournament Fundraiser – Green Hills Golf Course
June 23-27	Rotary Fellowships Rotary International Convention – Toronto, Canada

Makeups

We would like to achieve 100% attendance as a Club. When you have to miss a Club meeting, you can use a “makeup” to count for attendance. It can be almost as much fun to makeup a meeting as it is to attend one of our meetings. Please send your make-ups to Secretary Jim Goell at jim.goell@ieee.org.

Missed meetings may be made-up by:

1. Participating in certain Rotary Club of Foster City events such as:
 - Committee meetings
 - Board meetings
 - Volunteering at Board approved community service events: such as Pancake Breakfast, Concerts in the Park, One Warm Coat, RibFest, CityFEST, Spaghetti Dinner/BINGO, Foster City Village, rose pruning, etc.
 - Individual initiatives requiring time equal to or greater than attending a weekly Club meeting for events and activities approved by both the Board and an Avenue of Service Director such as: contacting counselors for scholarship awards, soliciting auction items, etc.”

2. Attending meetings of other Rotary Clubs or District 5150. Club meeting days/times are available online:
 - Locally – www.rotary5150.org - When and where clubs meet
 - Nationally – www.Rotary.org/clubfinder
 - Internationally – www.Rotary.org/clubfinder
 - On-line - www.rotaryclubone.org/makeups
3. Google: “Rotary E Club meetings” for additional make up opportunities
4. Donating blood