



The Voice of the Vineyards

The Weekly Electronic Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Healdsburg

“The mission of a bulletin is inform the membership,
comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable”

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WELCOME: President Richard Norgrove

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Doug Garrett



QUOTE OF THE DAY: “Life doesn’t come with a manual; it comes with a mother” Author unknown

QUESTION OF THE DAY:



The following question is worth \$25.00 towards a Paul Harris to the first Rotarian who can come up with the answer:

- What president signed the bill creating Mother’s Day?

President Woodrow Wilson in 1914 signed the bill designating the second Sunday in May as Mother’s Day. No one got this right.

VISITING ROTARIANS: None

GUESTS of ROTARIANS:



✓ Peter Basso – Guest of **Fred Roberts**. This is his 6th visit and is making an application for membership

✓ Stuart Moore – Guest of **Olivia Foppiano**. This is his second visit.



✓ Graham Beal – Guest of **Mel Schatz** and the speaker for today

✓ Welcome back **Brent Stanley!!**



ANNOUNCEMENTS:



🇺🇦 *Ukraine Calendar Update* – **Cathy King** recently talked with our contacts of the Rotary Club in Ukraine. Our District donations have helped buy medical kits. We are now partnering with a Santa Rosa Club to secure a District grant of \$50,000.

Dave Anderson has sold calendars for a total of \$4255 for our District Ukrainian fund. Our Club has sent \$20,000 to the district.



✚ *FFA Parade* - **Fred Roberts** gave us an update on how our Club will observe and participate in this parade on May 26. Volunteers are needed for various support activities. **Rich Bottarini** will again oversee the cooking of hot dogs and sausages. We will have a presence in the parade led by **John Avakian** and his Model T. Members are needed to carry the banner and march in the parade. Bring your family and wear Rotary hats and shirts.



✚ **Norm Fujita** gave us an update and *history of polio*. The last case in the U. S. was in 1979, but there are still cases in Pakistan and Afghanistan. He said that our Polio Plus donations are needed now more than ever.



✚ **President Richard** presented **Dick Cochran**, our Foundation chair, with his Paul Harris +6 pin. **Dick** has done much to increase Paul Harris donations in our Club. Thank you, **Dick!**

✚ **President Richard** announced that there will be a *SCARC dinner* in Petaluma on May 26. They have an open bar!

✚ **Paul Jones** is organizing the *BBQ at Brandt's Beach* on June 4. He has many volunteers, but still needs another person.



MEMBER BIRTHDAYS or ANNIVERSARIES:

✓ Rotary anniversary – **Rick Tang** – May 6. This was his 20th Rotary anniversary.



HAPPY DOLLARS RECOGNITION:



❖ **Fred Roberts** donated \$64 to the Club in honor of Mother's Day for his two daughters

❖ **Barbara Rosen** and her husband Mike travelled to Ohio to see the Warbler migration. He spotted 26 new birds. For this she donated \$26 to the Club.



❖ **Mark and Peggy Decker** went to Dayton, OH where they spent two days visiting the U.S. Air Force Museum. He donated \$35 to the Club.



❖ **John and Carol Hazlett** attended the wedding of **Tim Regan's** son in Playa del Carmen, Mexico. **John** donated \$50 to the District 5130 Ukrainian calendar fund.



❖ **Norm Fujita** cycled through the Santa Monica mountains and donated \$50 to Polio Plus.



❖ **Doug Lyle** recently cycled the 440 miles Natchez Trace. For this he donated \$50 to the Club

❖ **Janet Ziedrich's** husband bought a pizza oven several years ago. It was recently used for the first time and she donated to the District Ukrainian calendar fund.



- ❖ **Dave Anderson** snitched on **Richard Norgrove** about his collaboration with the Disney organization. **Richard** fessed up to having flown on the Disney corporate Jet to Orlando, FL. There he and Sandy stayed in the Animal Kingdom Hotel. For this, and his win in a pigeon race, he donated \$100 to the District Ukrainian calendar fund.



- ❖ Several members “donated” \$5.00 each for not wearing their Rotary pin.

TODAY’S PROGRAM



Graham Beal - “Navigating Change at The Detroit Institute of Art” (DIA)

Graham was educated at the University of Manchester and the University of London.

He has held leadership positions at several art museums throughout the country, holding over 40 exhibitions. Today he told us about the challenges of navigating the

politics of keeping the DIA up and running. He became the director there in 1999 while it was under renovation. It was up to him to reinstall 6,000 objects in 150,000 square feet of gallery. It reopened in 2000 and receives about 600,000 visitors each year. There are also reproductions of works throughout the city of Detroit for public viewing.

We learned that in the last century it was wealthy individuals who bought art in Europe to bring to the US and donate to the DIA. In 2012 the city of Detroit went into bankruptcy because of mismanagement of the pension fund. They wanted to sell off works of art from the DIA to make up for the shortfall. Eventually twelve private foundations came up with \$350 million which was matched by private donations. This saved the DIA. The museum is one of the wealthiest in America which enables it to acquire expensive works of art.

Graham’s presentation was educational and entertaining. He used many slides of works of art and explained their origin and how they arrived at the DIA.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don’t mind it doesn’t matter” --Mark Twain

CLOSING

President Richard thanked members and guests, then gave the meeting closed.

NEXT WEEK

- Program next week will be craft talks.