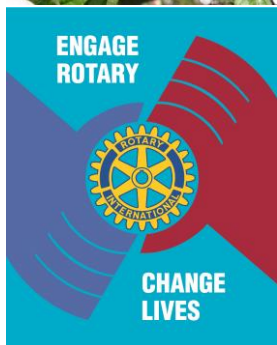




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Maureen Merrill – Club Visioning



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"All the News that Fits We Print"

🍏 **Before the Bell** 🍏



This meeting, held on Thursday in lieu of the regular Friday meeting, allowed as many club members as possible to participate in setting the club vision for the next five years.

Jim Pacatte seen wearing brand new glasses. People are taking this vision project seriously.



🍏 **At the Bell** 🍏

Dinner commenced at 5 pm, somewhat early for many. **President Bob** rang the bell at 5:15 but did not officially open the meeting. He gave quick reminders that Crab Feed Tickets were on sale in the back and the Super Bowl fundraiser was also there. Dinner continued.

🍏 **At the Bell -- Again** 🍏

At 5:30, **President Bob** rang the bell again. This time **Peggy Rogers** led the *Pledge of Allegiance* but no song followed. In fact, no thought for the day was spoken either. The thoughts for the evening would flow later.



Future Programs

January 24, 2014

Speaker: Andy DelMonte
Program: Analy Choir

January 31, 2014

Speaker: Connie Ayers
Program: John Muir Trail Journey

February 7, 2014

Program: Crab Feed Setup No Program

February 14, 2014

Program: Valentines Day TBD

February 21, 2014

Speaker: TBD
Program: TBD

February 28, 2014

Speaker: Chief Jeff Weaver
Program: Sebastopol Police Update

Future Events

Saturday Feb. 8 – CRAB FEED

Handy Links

[Pinot for Polio Form](#)
[Scribes and Photogs](#)
[Sebastopol Rotary Website](#)

Miscellany

Next Board Meeting

Date/Time: **Tuesday, Jan. 23rd, 5:30 p.m.**
Location: **President Bob's Home** (Address in C/R)

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS – jcbiasco@comcast.net
On-line Make-Ups: www.RotaryEClubOne.org

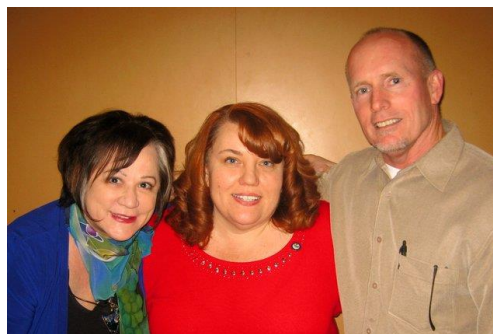
INTERACT MAKE-UPS – HAVE YOU TRIED IT?

Analy High: 12:40 Most Wednesdays In Choir Room
(Check with Bob Hirsch, Jack Dunlap, Ted Baggett)
Brook Haven: 12:10 First & Third Thursday, Room 18
(Check with Pauline Pellini, Mike Carey)
Hillcrest: 3:30 Every First Thursday, (Chk @ Office)
(Check with Troy McAdams, Bill Cole, Tony Given)
Orchard View: Different meeting times
(Check with Mike Carey)
Twin Hills: Every Other Tuesday 12:45pm - 1:20pm
(Check with Dan Rasmus)

For all Interact Mtgs.: CALL AHEAD TO CONFIRM MEETINGS

!!! CHECK IN AT SCHOOL FRONT OFFICE FIRST !!!

Visiting Rotarians and Guests



President Bob introduced Past District Governor Maureen Merrill, Windsor President-Elect (2014-15) Glenda Sales and Windsor President-Designee (2016-17) John LeCave, all hailing from the Windsor Rotary Club.



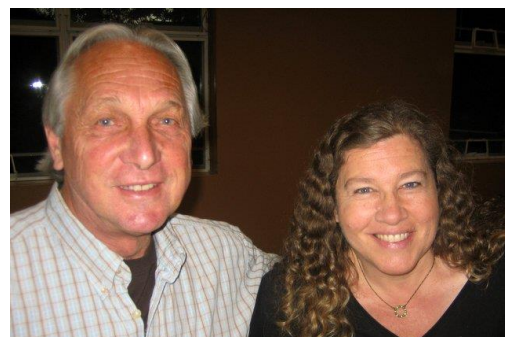
Visiting Rotarian Linda Johnson from Sunrise was introduced. She will soon be joining Sebastopol Rotary.

First Lady Peggy Rogers was introduced. She would be helping out Maureen and her crew with the program to come.



Monica Kretschmer introduced her daughter Brianna.

Guy Smith
introduced his wife
Michelle





Announcements



Rotary Guest Day is still on schedule for Friday January 24th. Guests not only eat for free but will enjoy a program by Andy DelMonte and the Analy Choir.

Monica Kretschmer announced that Sebastopol Rotary Happy Hour is back from hiatus and will be happening Friday January 24th. It will be held at Woodruff's and commence at 5 pm. There will be complimentary appetizers served to stave off hunger, and if so inclined, folks can stay and segue right into dinner.



New Member Induction



Gene Nelson came forward to formally induct **Jill Lowry** as the newest member of the Rotary Club of Sebastopol. New members always bring talent, vision, and new perspectives to the club. **Jill** was formerly a Rotarian with the Rotary Club of Hanalei in Hawaii. Upon presentation of her Four Way test plaque she quipped that she already had one -- in Hawaiian.

Jill's sponsor is **Jerry Warren** and her mentor will be **Mike Long.**



The Program – Club Visioning



The Special Program of the evening was introduced by **President Bob.** The evening was devoted to a visioning exercise, expertly facilitated by Maureen Merrill and her team. The Club performed one of these exercises five years ago, in 2009, and the results have served as guideposts and measuring sticks ever since.



The brainstorming session of 2009 yielded many goals and ideas. Various projects were proposed, many of which came to fruition, and others fell by the wayside. The Club also embarked on many projects not anticipated in 2009 but with wonderful results. The goal of tonight's program was to brainstorm again, looking into the future and developing a five year plan.



Maureen Merrill and her team commenced with the program. Using breakout groups and reporting back to scribes, the assembled club went through various exercises. To warm up the brains for brainstorming, the various tables submitted various adjectives to describe the club.

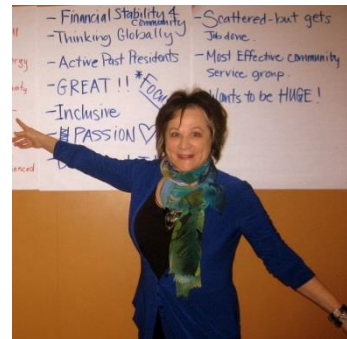
The breakout groups were then asked think about the club on January 1, 2019 and describe a vision for the future. Breakout groups were reconfigured and groups were assigned the concept of Rotary without limits - what goals would you set if there were no limits.

Table groups were assigned to think about what criteria should be used when selecting projects - since reality dictates that there are limits to everything. After the various criteria were voted on by the group, tables were assigned to describe real projects for the Rotary Club of Sebastopol for the next five years. These projects were also voted on by the group.

Maureen and her team worked tirelessly to capture all of the rapid fire ideas coming from the forty-five to fifty assembled club members. Even as the hour got late, the ideas kept on flowing and the enthusiasm did not ebb. Finally the promised end time of 9 pm drew near and the walls were nearly covered with flip charts full of ideas.

Yvette Williams van Aggelen, Jack Dunlap and Mia Del Prete volunteered to compile and collate the ideas for the club and assist the vision and planning team. The raw data will be assembled and distributed for the entire club.

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After The Closing Bell

Yvette Williams van Aggelen and Jack Dunlap volunteered to do something, but first all the flip charts had to be transcribed to readable text. Fortunately for **Yvette and Jack**, **Mia Del Prete** bailed both out by volunteering to convert the flip charts to Excel – a task she has already completed. [Whew! –Ed.]

The task of converting all the great ideas to projects that can be accomplished starts very soon.

More to come.

THE ABC's of Rotary
(Taken from "The ABCs of Rotary", a Rotary International publication
originally prepared by
Dr. Cliff Dochterman who was RI President in 1992-93)
#19: More Rotary Firsts

- Rotary established the "Endowment Fund" in 1917, which became the forerunner of the Rotary Foundation.
- Rotary first adopted the name "Rotary International" in 1922 when the name was changed from the International Association of Rotary Clubs.
- Rotary first established the Paul Harris Fellows recognition in 1957 for contributions of US\$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation.
- The Rotary emblem was printed on a commemorative stamp for the first time in 1931 at the time of the Vienna Convention.
- The first Rotary club banner (from the Houston Space Center) to orbit the moon was carried by astronaut Frank Borman, a member of that club.
- The first Rotary International Convention held outside the United States was in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1921.
- The first head of state to address a Rotary convention was U.S. President Warren G. Harding in 1923 at St. Louis.



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Weekly Update *A roundup of Rotary news*



[Huang encourages club members to 'Light Up Rotary'](#)

RI President-elect Gary C.K. Huang chose Light Up Rotary as his theme for 2014-15. Huang urged club members in the coming year to host a Rotary Day in their community and include local Rotaract and Interact members in their service projects.

- [Read more](#)
- [Download the 2014-15 theme logo and materials](#)
- [Watch a video of the theme speech](#)
- [Read comments from the incoming class of district governors on Rotary Voices](#)

In other news

[India celebrates three years without polio](#)

Throughout India and around the world, Rotary clubs are celebrating a major milestone: India has gone three years without a new case of polio.

[Couple's \\$1.1 million gift boosts push to eradicate polio](#)

Rotary member Terry Caster and his wife, Barbara, put their passion and generosity into action with a gift of \$1.1 million to Rotary to help eradicate polio.

[Landmarks illuminated to celebrate three years of India polio-free](#)

Rotary clubs illuminated iconic structures throughout the country with polio-free messages. See a gallery of photos on Rotary Voices.

Rotary in the news

[Newsweek: India's Polio Legacy](#)

[Wall Street Journal: India Manages to Free Itself of Polio](#)

[National Geographic: How India Beat Polio](#)

[Voice of America: India Reaches Polio-Free Milestone](#)

Resource guide



[ideas.rotary.org](#)

The Rotary Club of Bhavnagar Royal, India, is seeking funding to equip public places with solar flood lights to conserve energy and promote safety. Learn how you can help, or use Rotary's crowdsourcing platform to promote your own project.



[Rotary Showcase](#)

The Rotary Club of Bikaner, Rajasthan, India, organized a laser light display to celebrate India's milestone of three years without a case of polio. Read more about this project or browse projects on Rotary Showcase.



[RI President on Facebook](#)

Join RI President Ron Burton for a Q and A on Facebook on 27 January.

Sebastopol Rotary's 12th Annual

CRAB FEED

Saturday, February 8, 2014

First Seating: 5:00 p.m.

(Bar Opens & Music Starts at 4:00 p.m.)

Second Seating: 7:00 p.m.

Holy Ghost Hall, 7960 Mill Station Road, Sebastopol

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EARLY**



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