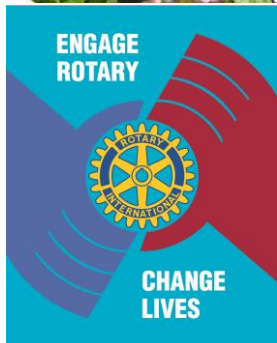


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"All the News that Fits We Print"



Breaking Bread Together – March 22 at the Campbell's



Our **Prez** and **Flying Ace Cap'n Rogers**, once again rang the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. He asked **Henry Alker** start us off with the *Pledge of Allegiance*. This was followed by **The Mistress of Song, Karen Daniels**, leading us in singing *America the Beautiful*.

Future Programs

Speaker: Larry Ford
Program: Speech Contest
April 4, 2014
Emcee: Rick Wilson
OOA Committee Chair: Tom Boag
Program: Overcoming Obstacles Award
April 11, 2014
Speaker: Collette Michaud
Program: Where Curiosity and Imagination Come to Play
April 18, 2014
Speaker: Susan Hill & Ted Rose
Program: Project Amigo
April 25, 2014
Speaker: Sally Ewald
Program: Vocational Awards
May 2, 2014
Speaker: Mary Radu
Program: Live Smart after 50!
May 9, 2014
Program: DISTRICT CONFERENCE
 ROHNERT PARK
May 16, 2014

Future Events

April 4-5th - Ukiah
Rotary District 5130 Training
April 12 & 13
Apple Blossom Parade Float & Booth
April 21
LEARN TO SWIM STARTS

Handy Links

More Information – District 5130 Training
Assembly
Pinot for Polio Form
Scribes and Photogs
Sebastopol Rotary Website

Miscellany

Next Board Meeting
Date/Time: Tuesday, Apr. 15th, 5:30 p.m.
Location: President Bob's Home (Address in C/R)

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS – jcblasco@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)
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 !!!



Our own very **Reverend Gene** gave us the thought for the day -- one appropriate for this Lenten season.

A Catholic Priest was walking down an alley on his way home when a young man came down the alley behind him, poked a knife against his back, and demanded his money.

The priest opened his jacket and reached into an inner pocket to remove his wallet, exposing his clerical collar. "Oh, I am sorry, Father", said the young man, "I did not see your collar. I don't want your money".

Trembling from the scare, the priest removed a cigar from his shirt pocket and offered it to the young man. "Here," said the priest, "have a cigar?" "Oh, no, I can't do that" the young man replied,

"I gave them up for Lent".

And with that we proceeded to enjoy our noon time meal.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Secretary **Jack Blasco** introduced David Mark Raymond, Real Estate Agent, from Sebastopol Sunrise.

President Bob introduced his wife **Peggy**, **Tom Dilley** introduced his wife **Pat**.



Frank Mayhew introduced Margie Carter from Los Angeles.

Bob Cugini introduced his wife **Julie** and assistant Willie.



🍎 Announcements 🍎

Prez Cap'n Rogers thanked **Aldean Noethig** for putting together the "Breaking Bread Together" meals. **Prez** also mentioned that incoming **President Pooch** needs the volunteer forms by March 31, along with the Foundation and Scholarship Addendum.

On March 24, **Elizabeth Fritzinger**, one of our newer members, gave birth to an 8 lbs., 9.5oz. bouncing baby boy whom she, and hubby **Matt**, chose to name Atticus. Being a trial attorney, do you suppose **Elizabeth** and **Matt** chose the name Atticus to recognize and honor the fictional Atticus Finch played by Gregory Peck, a trial attorney, in the 1962 movie *To Kill A Mockingbird*? Being a trial attorney herself could be that **Elizabeth** has great expectations for young Atticus. Congratulations to you both. The traditional passing of the hat will be conducted at a future meeting when **Elizabeth** is in attendance.



Elizabeth Craft- Anderson, West Coast Representative for The Rotary Foundation will be in Sebastopol on April 2, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the Media Room at the Community Church to fill us in on the Foundation and why we might want to invest.



Monica Kretschmer announced that there will be a Happy Hour at GTO's Friday April 4, 5:00 p.m.

The District is hosting a reception for the Vocational Training Team (formerly called Group Study Exchange) from Siberia, on April 11, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., at the Laguna Foundation Heron Hall, 900 Sanford Rd, Santa Rosa. The Russian attendees are three medical doctors and a translator. All members are invited. We need 3 volunteers for cleanup at 7:30pm.

The District Training Assembly to be held at Mendocino College in Ukiah on April 5. To car pool, be at the Community Church parking lot at 6:30 a.m., so as to leave by 6:45. All are encouraged to register and attend.

Cap'n Bob announced that we will not have a float in the Apple Blossom Parade, scheduled for April 12, but instead will be driving red, white and blue Mustangs with many Rotarians marching behind the cars playing *Mustang Sally* on Kazoos – volunteers needed training or talent not required.

Harry Simms still needs help manning our booth at the Apple Blossom Fair. Volunteers needed, we need help on Saturday and Sunday p.m. Also need help with setup on Friday and cleanup on Sunday.

We were reminded again that Learn to Swim starts on Monday April 21, and **Rick** and **Greg** can still use some help. Volunteers needed.

Cap'n Bob announced that our Rebuilding Together Project will be on April 26 at a house on Cooper Rd. **Jim Pacatte** and **Tom Dilley** are the house captains. Volunteers needed.

On April 12, there will be a project for planting at the Laguna Playscape from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., four volunteers needed. For more details see the program below.

The Foundation



Sally Ewald came forward and officially opened Foundation Month, and excitedly proclaimed that today's fund raising effort resulted in total receipts of \$4,050 and \$450 toward PolioPlus. The Foundation goal for the whole month is \$4,500 and the goal for PolioPlus is \$4,000.). [**Cap'n Bob** later said that although we've almost met our Foundation goal, he hopes that doesn't discourage us from continuing to give to the Foundation, especially if you didn't have a chance to donate this last week. Wouldn't it be great to actually EXCEED our goal? We are off to a good start with PolioPlus, reaching 11% of our goal, but we still have a ways to go...remember we are this close (visualize holding thumb and index finger up), and with the Bill Gates 2 for 1 match, there isn't a better time to donate to this worthy cause than now! --Ed.]

Sally mentioned that The Rotary Foundation is one of the world's most respected global humanitarian foundations. Eighty-nine percent of the monies donated to the Foundation go to implementing humanitarian programs around the world. Rotary International receives A+ and 4 star from the most prestigious "watch dog" organizations who evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of similar organizations. Our goal is that all Rotarians contribute to both local and global Rotary work, every Rotarian every year (EREY), whether its \$10, \$100 (sustaining member), or \$1000 (Paul Harris), the goal is to contribute.



Frank Mayhew then came forward to show how monies that we contribute to international projects on a club level is compounded by District and Foundation matching funds to really have an impact on Rotary Projects. **Frank** gave the example of the Global Grant he's working on now for textbooks for four schools, plus solar power for another school's library, in Tororo, Uganda.

Club Contributions	District 5130 Contribution	Foundation	Total
<u>Sebastopol</u> \$7,124	\$7,124	\$10,686	\$24,926
Other clubs \$4,500	\$4,500	\$6,750	\$15,750
<u>Total contributions to the Global Grant for text books</u>			\$40,684

From this example you can see that that the monies we designate to International projects are enhanced by a factor of 3.5 from District and Foundation matching funds, thus increasing the impact our donations have on our projects.

Rookie Sketch



Prez Cap'n Bob invited **Aldean Noethig** forward to give her Rookie Sketch. **Aldean** is a third generation San Franciscan, her father was a member of the San Francisco Police Department and her husband a member of the San Francisco Fire Department. She has two boys, one in Santa Rosa and one in Sebastopol.

After attending San Francisco City College for a couple of years, majoring in Art and Minorng in Business, **Aldean** took a part time job one summer and discovered she loved having a pay check.

She loved it so much that she soon went to work for The Hartford Insurance Company and then Western Air lines. Ultimately she ended up in management at Pacific Bell where she managed 150 people and 84 pieces of equipment that provide dial tone across much of the State. After retiring from Pac Bell she got bored and went back to work producing Jim Grady's Morning Talk Show at KRSO Radio for 8 years. **Aldean** lost her husband in 2005 and then later retired for good.



The Drawing



Tom Farrell, lucky guy that he is, had the winning ticket and was able to come up with the correct answer to the question...

"When was the Analy Interact club started in Sebastopol?" **Tom** answered correctly... 1969.



The Program – Christine Fontaine – Laguna Center Playscape Project



Tom Lambert stepped forward and mentioned that District Governor Helaine Campbell set a goal for all clubs in Rotary District 5130 to participate in a water project. To accomplish this, our club is partnering with the Santa Rosa and Sebastopol Sunrise clubs to help the Laguna Foundation create a Children's Discovery Garden and Playscape where children are able to safely explore and connect with nature. The Project will get kid's heads out of computers and into the outdoors and help reduce what has been called the "nature deficit disorder" in this and future generations of kids. **Tom** then gave thanks to **Greg Gill** and **Guy Smith** for filling in while he was gone. **Greg** used earth moving equipment to construct a stream bed for the Playscape.

Tom then introduced Christine Fontaine, Director of Education Programs for the Laguna Foundation. Christine has been connecting people with nature since 1995 and currently supervises 72 docents who lead field trips to the Laguna for about 1,500 school children each year. Christine will describe the PlayScape project and how we can help her create a nature discovery playground for children.



Christine told us that the Laguna is 22 miles long and its watershed is 254 square miles encompassing all of the Santa Rosa Plain. Eighty percent of the Sonoma County population lives in the watershed. It has an impact on most of our activities and provides a wide range of habitats. The Laguna is a stopover for thousands of birds migrating along the Pacific Flyway. It has over 200 species of birds ranging from Bald Eagles to humming birds, many other species including salmon, steelhead, salamanders, mountain lions, coyote, mink badger and many other rare species.

The PlayScape at the Laguna Environmental Center will be a designated space for children to explore on their own in a safe, natural environment; a place where they can connect with nature and natural elements. Where they climb on logs and rocks and berms, look under rocks, dig and have sensory experiences with plants and tiny animals. A place for "earth play" and hands on nature play.

The children's PlayScape will also have a teaching station where groups can gather for environmental education activities with Laguna Foundation trained education docents.

David Schreibman came forward to present to Christine a check for \$2,500, a Community Grant to the Playscape project which is the full amount of their request.



The Closing Bell

President Rogers thanked Christine for her interesting and informative talk and presented her with recognition that a donation will be made in her name to PolioPlus. Next week Larry Ford will emcee the Speech Contest. **Prez** then rang the bell, ending the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

After The Closing Bell

Just In – Palm Drive Hospital Meeting!

Your **Appleknocker Co-Editor Tom Boag** just returned from an “emergency” meeting about Palm Drive Hospital... discussing closing the hospital in some way or another. They've been on shaky financial ground for a long time and have had many meetings and discussions about the future of Palm Drive Hospital over the years. A vote by the board to close the place was averted tonight due to pressure from about 300 in audience but the issue will come back for discussion at the April 7 board meeting.

Just remember you heard it here first, unless you attended the meeting. This news will be all over the Press Democrat tomorrow and West County news on Thursday.

Volunteers Needed

[The first 2 weeks in April is busy, busy, busy so pasted below is the text of an email from **Prez Cap'n Bob** summarizing and adding detail. -Ed.]

To: Rotary Club of Sebastopol

Hi Folks:

As I mentioned at last Friday's meeting, this is a very busy two weeks, with volunteers needed for a number of events. If everyone signed up for at least one project, it would greatly help your fellow Rotarians who will have to shoulder the whole load if we have a weak turnout...Here's what we have on the schedule.

Monday, March 31st - Volunteer List for next year due this day. Please return to Ron Puccinelli at ronaldp@sonic.net

Wednesday, April 2nd - Rotary Foundation Informational Meeting with RI West Coast Rep Elizabeth Cruft-Anderson @ Media Room at UCC Church, 5:30 to 7:30pm. Refreshments will be served. This is a joint event with the Sebastopol Sunrise Club.

Friday, April 4th - TGIF - Happy Hour @ GTO's, 5:00 till ? . Monica and Meredith are our chairs. Come support their efforts, and maybe join the gang for dinner after.

Saturday, April 5th - District Training Assembly in Ukiah. We will be carpooling, leaving from the UCC Church Parking Lot at 6:45am. We should be back before dark that same day. You can register online by using the link that was sent to you by DGE Kevin or his Head AG Valerie Hulsey.

Friday, April 11th - Reception for Siberian Vocational Training Team at the Laguna Foundation's Heron Hall, 5:30 - 7:30pm. This is a medical team of 4 (3 Doctors and a translator) here to learn about Special Education (Medical Personnel are the social workers in Siberia). All are invited, and wine and refreshments will be served. We are looking for 3 volunteers to help with cleanup at 7:30. The parking slot has been filled by Torrey...thanks Torrey. Contact Bob Rogers to volunteer crobertrogers@comcast.net

Saturday, April 12th - Parade Float - We are looking for folks who would like to have fun walking in the Apple Blossom Parade and playing the Kazoo...actually, a Kazoobie, to the tune of "Mustang Sally"...We will be marching behind 3 Mustangs, with "Mustang Sally" dancing in the lead car (Convertible of course). This is a joint float with the Sunrise Club and should be a lot of fun. We may have one practice before the actual parade day, and probably one the morning of. Parade starts at 10, so we'll probably need you out there an hour before, at 9am. Contact Ron Puccinelli at ronaldp@sonic.net to volunteer.

Saturday and Sunday, April 12th & 13th - Apple Blossom Fair Booth. We will have a booth at the Apple Blossom Festival, promoting Bone Marrow Donor signups (technical staff will be on hand to take the samples, don't worry, you won't have to do that part), and Sebastopol Rotary. Help is especially needed for the afternoon shifts on both days (2-4pm and 4-6 on Saturday, 4-5pm on Sunday). Harry Simms they also need folks to help with setup on Friday afternoon. If interested in helping out, contact Harry at harrysimms@aol.com

Saturday, April 12th - 9am till all the plants are in the ground (about 3 to 4 hours) - Laguna Foundation Playscape project. This is a joint effort of our club, the Sebastopol Sunrise Club, and the Santa Rosa Club. We needed 4 volunteers, and fortunately, we have 4 who stepped up to the plate - Harry Polley, Jerry Warren, Greg Gill (and employee) and Tom Lambert. However, if you'd like to participate, please feel free to join them for this great cause. More hands, will mean finishing up sooner.

As always, thanks for all you do.

Bob

Charles Rogers
Rotary Club of Sebastopol



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30th Year!

LEARN TO SWIM

Like working with Kids?
Enjoy the Water?
We need you to volunteer!



APRIL 21 - MAY 15, 2014
IVES POOL, SEBASTOPOL
Help Sebastopol Area 2nd Graders
Learn To Swim!

Contact Greg Jacobs at (707) 823-7341 or [gjacob48@gmail.com](mailto:gjacobs48@gmail.com)
Rick Wilson at (707) 824-0846 or chefrickeywilson@yahoo.com



(Learn to Swim Photos by Greg Jacobs, Dorothy Rodella, May, 2012)

Overcoming Obstacles Award



April 11



This program is one of the most moving and popular projects Sebastopol Rotary does. The purpose is to encourage and reward graduating high school students who are not necessarily the best academic performers but who have overcome huge obstacles. These students have endured significant, often tear-jerking challenges, yet sought and received help, and have plans to further their education after high school.

We select six students – two each from Analy, El Molino, and Laguna High Schools. Each finalist receives a \$1000 scholarship along with \$200 given to them at the event.

The event begins with a morning leadership seminar. Three adult speakers describe how they have overcome significant obstacles themselves and become successful. Presenters include prominent business people and politicians. Questions are invited and leadership principles are discussed as a group. Students receive special attention from sponsors and mentors assigned to each and networking is repeatedly encouraged. Most of the students have agreed that this uniquely tailored seminar is more valuable than the money received.

Following the morning session everyone proceeds to our Rotary meeting where students are cheered as they enter. After lunch each student gives a brief talk on their challenges and how they were able to overcome them. One is chosen for an additional \$1000 scholarship by a panel of judges who observed them throughout the day and read their applications.

It is impossible to find words to adequately describe the emotion, the pride, and the inspiration that fills the room and your heart. Attending this event will leave you deeply touched for a long time.

Matching funds and sponsor opportunities are available, and we are always looking to enhance the scholarships for these deserving graduates. Checks can be made out to Sebastopol Rotary and mailed to PO Box 213, Sebastopol CA 95473. Email: TRBoag@aol.com Web: www.sebastopolrotary.org

Teacher Mini Grants

ROTARY CLUB OF SEBASTOPOL

P.O. Box 213
Sebastopol, CA 95473
www.SebastopolRotary.org
Tax ID 94-6084471

Bob Rogers, President 2013-2014



March 3, 2014

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE—

The ROTARY CLUB OF SEBASTOPOL is now accepting applications for
THE SEBASTOPOL ROTARY TEACHER MINI-GRANT PROGRAM.

Teachers from public and tax-exempt private schools within the boundaries of the West Sonoma County Union High School District are eligible to receive one-time grants in the amount of \$50 to \$400 to purchase classroom materials or to implement programs that might otherwise go unfunded.

A grant application and guidelines can be found at www.sebastopolrotary.org (click on the **Grants>Teacher Mini-Grants** link).

To be considered in the next funding cycle applications must be postmarked by April 14, 2014.

Since its inception in the Fall of 2002, the Rotary Club of Sebastopol has distributed over \$189,000 in Mini-Grants to local teachers.

Please contact Michael Hixson at 540-0319 or mikehixson@comcast.net for more information.

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)

#29: Rotary Anns

In many Rotary clubs throughout the world, wives of male members have been affectionately called "Rotary Anns." This designation was never one of disparagement, but rather grew out of an interesting historical occasion.

The year was 1914 when San Francisco Rotarians boarded a special train to attend the Rotary Convention being held in Houston. In those days, few wives attended Rotary events, and until the train stopped in Los Angeles, the only woman aboard was the wife of Rotarian Bru Brunnier. As the train picked up additional convention-bound delegates, Mrs. Ann Brunnier was introduced as the Rotarian's Ann. This title soon became "Rotary Ann." Since the clubs of the West were inviting the Rotarians to hold their next convention in San Francisco, a number of songs and stunts were organized that would be performed in Houston. One of the Rotarians wrote a "Rotary Ann" chant. On the train's arrival at the Houston depot, a delegation greeted the West Coast Rotarians. One of the greeters was Guy Gundaker of Philadelphia, whose wife was also named Ann. During the rousing demonstration, someone started the Rotary Ann chant. The two petite ladies, Ann Brunnier and Ann Gundaker, were hoisted to the men's shoulders and paraded about the hall. The group loved the title given to the two women named Ann. Immediately the same term of endearment was used for all of the wives in attendance, and the name "Rotary Ann" was here to stay.

Guy Gundaker became president of Rotary International in 1923 and Bru Brunnier was elected president in 1952. Thus, each of the two original Rotary Anns became the "first lady of Rotary International."

Event Name: District Training Assembly

Have you got game?

Let's make Rotary a **SLAM DUNK**
at the **2014** District Assembly!

Rotary
District 5130



April 5, 2014
Mendocino College, Ukiah

Description:

Celebration Dinner - April 4
Guaranteed Fun and entertainment throughout the night!

Social and Beverages at 6PM
Dinner at 7PM

Barra of Mendocino Winery
7051 N State Street, Redwood Valley

The District Assembly - April 5
Guaranteed Game Changer

Breakfast at 8AM
Sessions begin at 9AM

Mendocino College 1000 Hensley Creek Rd. Ukiah
Meet in the gym and be prepared for anything.



Location:

Friday, April 4
CELEBRATION DINNER
Barra of Mendocino Winery
7051 North State Street
Redwood Valley

Saturday, April 5
DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY
Mendocino College
1000 Hensley Creed Road
Ukiah

Click below to register.



[Register NOW](#) for District Training Dinner and/or Assembly - April 4-5, 2014

A list of assembly classes is attached.

Event Date: Friday Apr-04-2014 to Saturday Apr-05-2014

Event Start Time: 6:00 PM

South-East Asia region declared polio-free

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[South-East Asia region declared polio-free](#)

The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) on 27 March congratulated the countries in the South-East Asia Region of the World Health Organization (WHO) on being certified polio-free, a historic milestone in the worldwide effort to end polio. The 11 countries in the region are home to 1.8 billion people and represent the fourth of six WHO regions of the globe to become polio-free. [Read more.](#)

- [Read how South-East Asia became polio-free on Rotary Voices](#)
- [See what clubs have done and post your success stories on Rotary Showcase](#)
- [Join the discussion on the End Polio Now group](#)

GIVE

Rotary in the news

Rotary polio ambassador Archie Panjabi pens op-ed for The Guardian, other media note Rotary's role in a polio-free South-East Asia.

Rotary and the work of Rotary members worldwide received recognition this week as the Global Polio Eradication Initiative declared South-East Asia polio-free. See a list of media mentions of Rotary's contributions below.

- [Read Archie Panjabi's article](#)
- [Wall Street Journal online](#)
- [CNN Opinion](#)
- [BBC News](#)

How to recruit new members

Alaskan Rotarians see membership hike while uniting to build park

The Rotary Club of Eagle River Area in Alaska experienced a 50 percent increase in membership after building a playground designed for children with disabilities to play alongside their classmates. [Read more.](#)

- [Share your ideas on recruiting members](#)
- [Learn more about membership development](#)
- [Share your community projects](#)

TELL YOUR ROTARY STORY

Find materials to promote your club in Rotary's new Brand Center, including logos, customizable templates, and guidelines.

- [Visit the Brand Center \(sign-in required\)](#)
- [Read Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [See how others are telling Rotary's story](#)



CREATE POSITIVE CHANGE AT THE CONVENTION

Volunteer on a service project and help make a difference while in Sydney for the 2014 Rotary International Convention.

- [Register for the convention](#)
- [Get involved in a service opportunity](#)
- [Find more activities on the Host Organization Committee's website](#)

Announcements

Rotary announces New Member Sponsor Recognition program

Sponsor a new member and you'll not only strengthen your club, you'll also get recognized for your efforts. Read more about the [New Member Sponsor Recognition program](#), and stay up to date with the announcements below.

- [Register by 31 March to save on convention fees](#)
- [Problems running reports on Internet Explorer 11](#)
- [Choose the winning book title and win a trip to the convention](#)

Resources & reference

[Rotary Voices: Stories of service from around the world](#)

[Rotary Leader: Helping club and district officers achieve success](#)

[Rotary Images: Download photos to use in your club or district publications](#)

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