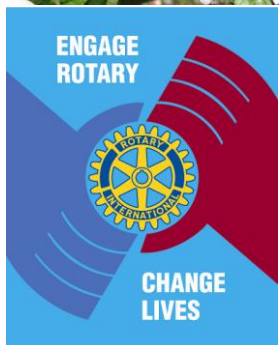


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"All the News that Fits We Print"



Before The Bell



President Bob Rogers' Debunking is on June 28. That's a SATURDAY, not a Friday.



At The Bell



President Bob – I've almost made it to the end – Rogers called the meeting to order. **Guy Smith** led the pledge and that last minute substitute, **Keller McDonald**, led us in "God Bless America." Then, in an astounding display of diverse talents and multi-tasking, **Keller** also provided a thought for the day from that well-known high school principal, **Aristotle** "Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all." Hmmm, sounds almost biblical!



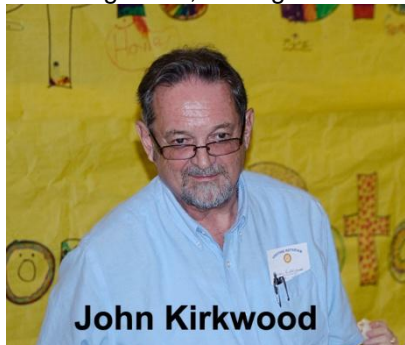
Keller also celebrated the graduation of 426 high school senior's district wide! Blessings and best wishes to every one of them.



Visiting Rotarians and Guests



Following lunch, visiting Rotarians were introduced.



John Kirkwood from the Rotary Club of Jinja, Uganda, where he is a Past-President, joined us for a



second week. And a familiar face, Kent Seegmiller, was visiting us from the newest club in the district – Kenwood. Do you suppose he will be a president again? Good to see you, Kent! Keith Garlock was with us from Rohnert Park-Cotati,

David Mark-Raymond from Sebastopol Sunrise managed to sneak in without being introduced. Is that a finable offense?



Future Programs

June 6, 2014

Speaker: **Jay Bell**
Program: **HEALTHACTION - A 2020
Vision for Sonoma County**

June 13, June 20 -- TBD

Future Events

June 28 (THAT'S A SATURDAY)
Debunking – Holy Ghost Hall
Begins at 5:00, Dinner 6:00, Fun 7:00
\$45 a ticket

Handy Links

[Pinot for Polio Form](#)
[Scribes and Photogs](#)
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Miscellany

Next Board Meeting

Date/Time: **Tuesday, June 17th, 5:30 p.m.**

Location: **Mexico Lindo Restaurant, Graton**
Double-Check with Bob for location, time.)

(Yes, This is the "Joint" meeting.)

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS – jclasco@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 !!!



And there were guests! **Greg Jacobs** introduced Ricardo Freitas, **Ann Hill**, Keith Miller, and Candice Smith. All were an important part of the Learn-To-Swim program. More on that later. **Richard Power** introduced Aaron Baker and **Bob Hirsch** introduced his guest, George Bursick. **Frank Mayhew** introduced our speaker, Chris Ategeka and his co-workers, Jessica, Cameron, and Robert, all from CA Bikes.

Announcements



Guest Rotarian, Keith Garlock, announced the Rohnert Park-Cotati's fundraiser – Craft Beer Fest. It will be Saturday, June 14, from 1:00 – 5:00 P.M. \$30.00 for ten tickets which can be used for food or beer – now there's an easy choice! Location is 475 City Center Drive in Rohnert Park, which is practically next to the police station. Can't think of a better

place to taste beer. You can drink beer and have your breath sampled all in one

Meredeth Bertacco announced the Happy Hour Friday, May 30 at Corks Restaurant. Hope you were able to attend. A good time was had by all.



And don't forget....**DEBUNKING!!!** The **Debunking of Bob Rogers** will be **SATURDAY, JUNE 28**, at Holy Ghost Hall on Mill Station Road. We gather at 5:00, dinner is served at 6:00 and the film, *Airplane: Rogers Over and Out*, will be shown at 7:00. Cost is only \$45 a ticket and the fun will be unlimited. Just don't call me Shirley! Get your tickets now!!!

Rotarian(s) of the Month:

President Bob honored our entire **Sergeant-At-Arms Committee** as Rotarians of the Month: Tom Dilley, Jim Pacatte, Nao Noguchi, Jack Dunlap, and Brenden Houston. Great job every week, guys! Thanks!



Linda Johnson was recognized for earning her Red Badge. Way to go!



Learn-To-Swim:

The 30th year of our Learn-To-Swim program has successfully wrapped up.

Some 9,000 second graders have participated in the program since its inception. Many thanks to **Greg Jacobs** and **Rick Wilson**, (or ~~Williams, Williamson~~ or ~~Smith~~)...whatever his name is these days.

Greg first thanked and presented certificates to key volunteers:

Ricardo Freitas - Ives Pool manager who coordinates

scheduling and been a big supporter of Learn-To-Swim

Candice Smith - volunteer extraordinaire, who worked every day with every class - 1 1/2 hours a day, four days a week.

Keith Miller - owner of Gone Tropo who for years has provided free t-shirts and free printing. This year sweatshirts were added.



Iris Loveless - administrative assistant who gets all the parental permission slips signed and provides valuable planning and support

Leila Irwin - Analy swim coach who teaches the teachers.

Tim Murphy - Sonoma coast state parks lifeguard who teaches water safety to the kids.



Rick Wilson then thanked all the volunteers who made the program possible and then invited **Ann Hill** to come forward for a special presentation. The **Rotary Club of Sebastopol** has made a grant of \$15,680 to Ives Pool for new starter blocks in memory of Pete Hill. Most of these funds were originally set aside for an upgrade to Analay Field during Pete's year as President, but for various reasons, never happened. So another project was sought that fit the spirit of Pete's intentions...and the starter blocks fill that slot. A plaque will be placed at the pool honoring **Pete Hill**, himself a wonderful high school athlete who took great delight in hitting baseballs into the pool from Ives Field, and a great supporter of local athletes. **Greg** pointed out that **Ann** herself was a successful competitive swimmer in Sonoma County. Wonderful to see **Ann** at Rotary again.



And **President Bob** was presented with a Learn-To-Swim sweatshirt (and t-shirt). Thanks again to all who made this wonderful program a success.



Recognition



Actually, just one recognition. (A day of reckoning must be approaching.) **Tom Lambert** was fined, yes, \$70 for a December birthday and for a summer, 2013, hike in the high country of Yosemite. It was a grueling experience. The hikers stayed in tent cabins with beds and had meals prepared for them. Oh, the rigors of the wilderness. You know it is a bad day when you can't find an olive for your martini! He was also congratulated for his work on the water project, but the fine stood. And, by the way, the daily bag limit for Albacore is 25. Amazing what shows up on our **President's** computer.



The Drawing



Bob Reeves had the winning number, and correctly guessed that in 1975, the Rotary Club of Sebastopol had 68 members. That was worth \$50, but he refused to commit to buying his table wine at the club happy hour.



The Program -- Chris Ategeka – CA Bikes



Frank Mayhew introduced Chris Ategeka, CEO and founder of CA Bikes. His is an incredible and inspiring story. He was born into crippling poverty in Uganda – no water or electricity in the family's small one room hut. Both his parents died from HIV/AIDS, leaving him to care for his siblings. He did not own a pair of shoes until he was 17. He was saved by the intervention of some caring people. Don't let anyone tell you one caring person can't make a difference! A woman named Carol Adams started an orphanage in Uganda for 35 kids, a place that would pay for a child's education. Chris was one of the fortunate 35. It changed his life. An American couple, Michael and Martha Helms, who along with Carol were funding Chris' education, decided to bring

Chris to Berkeley to attend Cal. He shared some of his experiences of culture shock, such as seeing more cars than he had ever seen before and wondering how they drove themselves. He could not see the drivers inside. And why there were no people, cows, or chickens on the road (The Freeway), like in Uganda?

Chris prospered at Cal, finishing at the top of his graduating class and was the student speaker at his graduation. He now has a Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering and is close to finishing his PhD.



Along the way, he also picked up a pilot's license.



Chris' brother died because his village had no access to a hospital. Chris, with his degree from Cal, wanted to do something about health care access in his home country. And so he founded CA Bikes. His company builds bicycle/motorcycle ambulances designed to get people from rural villages to hospitals ASAP. The ambulances are manufactured locally, helping rural economies and, since 2013, 150 ambulances in eastern Africa have reached 300,000 people. Each ambulance costs \$1,500 to manufacture. And the company is expanding. Chris has been contacted by people interested in providing ambulance aircraft and SUV's. He foresees an outreach to all of Africa. In fact, the name of his company is changing to Rides for Lives.

And the "CA"? Could be the initials of his name or also could be a recognition of Carol Adams. He can be reached at **chris@cabikes.org**. Check out CABikes' Website at www.cabikes.org. And thanks to **Jill Lowry and Mike Long** who pledged money to pay for one ambulance.



The Closing Bell



President Bob Rogers gave our speaker, Chris Ategeka, a donation in his name to Polio Plus. With that, he rang the bell, adjourning the meeting.



After The Bell



Tom Farrell: Norm Stupfel writes: "Tom Farrell sure enjoys your visits and phone calls. I just saw him Friday, and he's doing fine and quite able to communicate with anyone. He keeps up on Sebastopol Rotary and gets the AppleKnocker regularly. Please call before a visit (Spring Lake Village 579-6982) or drop by at other than meal times."

ERRATA: You noticed in last week's AppleKnocker that President Bob Rogers Debunking is on June 28. That's a SATURDAY, not a Friday.

cont. More After The Bell -->>>

Late Update from “**Incoming President 14/15**”. **Ron Puccinelli** who, with **Jack Dunlap** and **John Blount**, are supposedly hard at work at the Rotary International Convention in Sydney, Australia. **Jack** writes: “Many discussions about the need for Rotary to change and adapt because the world is changing. Embrace technology to connect to the outside world and members. Be online almost all the time. Once a week is far too seldom. Folks join causes – not clubs. Club runner has a cool App. Brief sighting of John blount running between meetings. He really is here, but is gathering no moss.” **Ron** Writes, “Not sure what this is, but it does fly.”



[Somebody's got to do it ! –Ed.]

AIRPLANE



Rogers, Over and Out!

THE DEBUNKING OF CAPTAIN BOB
JUNE 28, 2014 HOLY GHOST HALL

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Sally Ewald

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)

#38: International Assembly

An International Assembly is held each year prior to 15 February to prepare district governors-elect from around the world for the office they will assume on 1 July. Accompanied by their spouses, some 530 incoming governors join a host of experienced Rotarian leaders for a week of training and motivational sessions. At the assembly, they meet the special Rotarian who will serve as RI president during their year as governors, and they learn the RI theme for the coming year around which they will build their district's activities.

The first International Assembly was held in Chicago, Illinois, USA, in 1919. Later assemblies were held in Lake Placid, New York, USA; Kansas City, Missouri, USA; Boca Raton, Florida, USA; and Nashville, Tennessee, USA. In recent years the assembly has been held in Anaheim, California, USA. But regardless of the venue, the message on the sign above the plenary hall has remained unchanged for years: “Enter to learn. . . go forth to serve?”

RI READING: Bridge Climb Breaks Record

(Please note that our own Ron Puccinelli, John Blount, and Jack Dunlap are in Sydney now.)

[CLICK HERE TO GO TO WEBSITE](#)



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Bridge climb breaks record

During Friday's world record-breaking Sydney Harbour bridge climb at the 2014 Rotary International Convention, Rotary members raised enough money to protect 240,000 kids from polio. The massive turnout eclipsed Oprah Winfrey's world-record climb in 2011 when she summited the bridge alongside 315 of her most ardent fans.

- [Read about the bridge climb](#)
- [Get daily updates on the Convention Insider blog](#)
- [Follow the action on social media](#)
- [Connect with other delegates through discussion groups](#)

GIVE

Saving lives

Training nurses to save mothers and babies in East Africa

In February, 24 Rotary scholars graduated from Aga Khan University with either a Registered Nurse or Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. The scholars were the first class to pursue advance nursing education at one of AKU's three East Africa campuses: Nairobi, Kenya; Dar es Salaam, Tanzania; and Kampala, Uganda.



- [Read more](#)
- [Hear from a vocational training team in Tanzania](#)
- [Support an outreach camp for mothers in Nepal](#)

Polio fundraisers

Lighting up Easter Island with an End Polio Now message

Rotary members in Chile chose a dramatic way to raise awareness for polio eradication and publicize how close we are to ending the disease. They set out to illuminate the iconic statues on Easter Island.



- [Read more](#)
- [See an illumination in India](#)
- [Learn how you can help us End Polio Now](#)

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](#)
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Beginning 1 January 2015, club officers can say goodbye to the semiannual report and hello to a simple one-page invoice that clearly states the amount owed.

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Rotary's work commemorated in stamps

In 1931, Austria created a stamp in honor of Rotary's convention in Vienna. Since then, Rotary has inspired stamps in countries around the world.

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