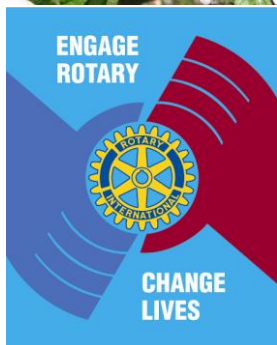




The Appleknocker

Sebastopol Rotary Club's Weekly Bulletin

Halloween – A “FINE” Day – Jack O’Lantern



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“All the News that Fits We Print”

🍎 At the Bell 🍎



The meeting opened with a **CACOPHONY** (honest, **Prez Bob**, this is not entirely in reference to you, but to the rattle of a voodoo shaker, a whistle, and a cowbell ringing). **President Bob**'s presence was enhanced even more so with his great pumpkin outfit, one that was a real shape-changer

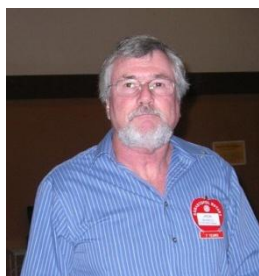


Aldean Noethig led the flag salute and **Keller McDonald** added to the patriotic fever by leading the group in “God Bless America”. **David Schreiber** followed with two inspirational quotes:

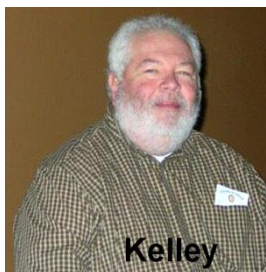
“You will find, as you look back upon your life, that the moments that stand out are the moments when you have done things for others.” (Henry Drummond, clergyman and writer, 1851-1897)

“Not everybody could be famous but everybody can be great because greatness is determined by service.” (Martin Luther King, Jr., 1929-1968)

🍎 Visiting Rotarians and Guests 🍎



Jack Blasco introduced **Steve Amend** (Santa Rosa Sunrise), **Michael McLaughlin** (Sebastopol Sunrise), and **Terry Kelley** (Sebastopol Sunrise), **Mark Burchill** (Santa Rosa), **Knoel Owen** (Santa Rosa), and **Tomoko** (Moji Rotary, Japan).



🍅 Future Programs 🍅

November 1
Speaker: Mary Szecsey
Program: **West County Health Centers / Affordable Healthcare Act**

November 8
Speaker: Mary St. Clair
Program: **Veterans Day Program**

November 15
Speaker: Nick Tipon
Program: **Sacred Sites**

November 22
Speaker: Tom Harlan
Program: **Palm Drive Hospital Update**

November 29
Dark – No Meeting

DECEMBER 6, 13, 20 -- TBA

December 29
Dark – No Meeting

🍅 Future Events 🍅

Rotary Foundation Dinner

Saturday, November 2

Sally Tomatoes, Rohnert Park

Rotary Christmas Party

Friday, December 6

🍅 Handy Links 🍅

Pinot for Polio Form
Scribes and Photogs
Sebastopol Rotary Website

🍅 Miscellany 🍅

Next Board Meeting

Date/Time: **Tuesday, Nov. 19th, 5:30 p.m.**

Location: **President Bob's Home** (Address in C/R)
 (Normally 3rd Tuesday of month, except October 8th and November 19th.)

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS – Send to Jack BLASCO
jbblasco@comcast.net

On-line Make-Ups: www.RotaryEClubOne.org

INTERACT MAKE-UPS – HAVE YOU TRIED IT?
 (Committee Member to call to confirm)

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 beginning 10/1/13
 (except for Holidays)
 12:45pm - 1:20pm
 (Check with Dan Rasmus)

For all Interact Mtgs.: **CALL AHEAD TO CONFIRM MEETINGS**

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

Tomoko spoke briefly about her many years as “mama” to exchange students to and from Japan. While she would be heading back to Japan in 24 hours, she shared that it would be wonderful if **Sebastopol Rotary** and **Moji Rotary** could collaborate on future projects. Note: She has overseen the ‘exchange’ of over 2,000 students between Japan and the U.S. and has strong Sebastopol roots.



Guests included **Co-Pilot Peggy Rogers**, **Pat Dilley** (introduced by husband **Tom**), and last week's speaker **Linda Irving** (introduced by Keller McDonald).

Peggy came as a multi-armed scarecrow and **Linda**, according to her badge anyway, came in costume as former Sebastopol Rotarian Liz Schott.



Mike Ferguson introduced both a guest and a member of the South Petaluma Rotaract Club, **Bryan**. The fact that **Mike** impressed the club by inviting such a prestigious guest was quickly erased when **Bryan** went on to mention that he at one time worked for the *premiere county security company*, First Alarm.

🍅 Announcements 🍅



Chris Dawson shared updates on the **Cugini** house-remodeling project taken on by Rotarians, to help **Bob Cugini** in his upcoming rehabs. Please let **Chris** know if you can help -- Call him for work schedule.

The Rotary Foundation Dinner is coming up this Saturday, November 2, at **SALLY TOMATOES**. This is a celebration of Rotary accomplishments during the past year.



Diana Rich reminded everyone about the October 26 “HAUNTED HALLOWEEN PARTY AT THE BODEGA SCHOOL HOUSE”, a fund-raiser for the Sebastopol Community Cultural Center. The *Press Democrat* Saturday edition dedicated a large spread to the event. Yes, that apparition (the scary one, not the flying skeleton ghost on the right side of the photo) is (or was) our own **Rick Williams**.

There are only a few days left to deliver veteran photos to **Mike Ferguson**. Any military service personal/personnel photos – of you, family members, or friends – are sought for a special salute at the November 8 meeting! **Mike** also dares anyone to come in uniform (the original outfit) – even parts of uniforms! [Send photos by email – or deliver original photos – to **Tom Boag** by Monday, November 4 to be included. –Ed.]

Keller McDonald noted that there were post-auction opportunities to participate in both the Guys’ Day-Off and the Girls’ Day-Off fun, fund-raisers. See **Keller, Diana Rich, or President Bob**...if you need a day off.



The **Prez** shared the incoming cast of board officers for **Ron Puccinelli’s rule** (slogan: “There will be a bell!”). Here’s a stab at getting this correct: Board members:

Guenter Meiburg, Nao Noguchi, Pauline Pellini, Diana Rich; and, continuing in their current roles, **Jack Blasco (Secretary)** and **Mark Fink (Treasurer)**; serving as Past-President, **Paul Thielen**, and as President-Elect, **Rick Wilson**.



The club members unanimously approved the slate.



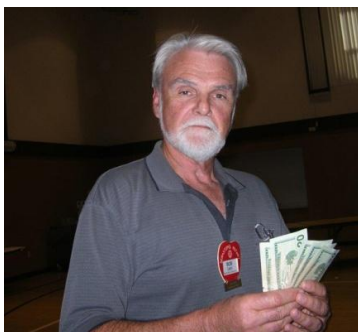
President Bob thanked several Rotarians for their work at the Lobster Feed...hopefully, a photo will tell the picture because there were many Lobster Feed fanatics toasted by **The Prez**. But here’s a (partial) list: **Peggy Rogers, Mike Long, Diana Rich, Elizabeth Fritzinger**,

J.T. Martin, Meredith Bertacco, Pauline Pellini, Paul Martinovich, Karen Daniels (setting a new record for sponsorships), **Dan Rasmus, Richard Power, Jack Blasco, Henry Alker, Keller McDonald, Mia Del Prete, Monica Kretschmer, David Schreiber, Aldean Noethig, Chris Dawson, Troy McAdams, Ron Puccinelli, Brendon Houston, Ted Baggett, Pierre Lagourgue, Rick Wilson, Ken Silveira, Ken Jacobs, Maurine Doerken, Tom Boag, Brian Langermann, Mike Carey** (and apologies to those left out, of which there unfortunately had to be a few), and, of course, **President Bob**.

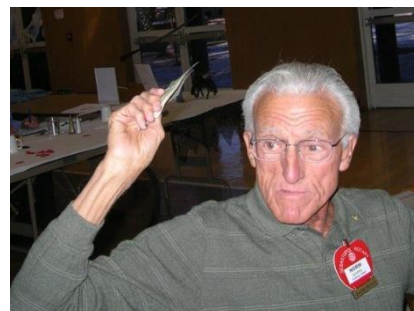
Bob and Peggy are hosting a special “Lobster Feed” Thank-You Party at their home on October 30, from 5 to 7:30 pm. The address is 1230 Garden Lane. Come as you are, unless you are **Greg Jacobs** (see below) in costume.

Kathie Mayhew noted that the day before the meeting, October 24, was WORLD POLIO DAY. She pointed out that the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has pledged \$3 for every \$1 raised to help end polio world-wide. A short video was shared about how close we are to ending polio world-wide, “THIS CLOSE -- ALL WE NEED IS YOU !”.





Bob Cary stirred up the crowd, leading the cheers for \$100 donations. There was no way this scribe could keep up with the response, but some of the first shout-outs were from **Norm Stupfel, Brad Benedetti, Harry Polley, President Bob, Greg Gill, Bill Cole, Dave Madsen, Tom Dilley, Ron Puccinelli, Harvey Henningsen, Mel Davis, Tim Moore, Tom Lambert, Aleia Coate, Mark Stevens, Steve Prandini, Frank Mayhew, John Blount,**

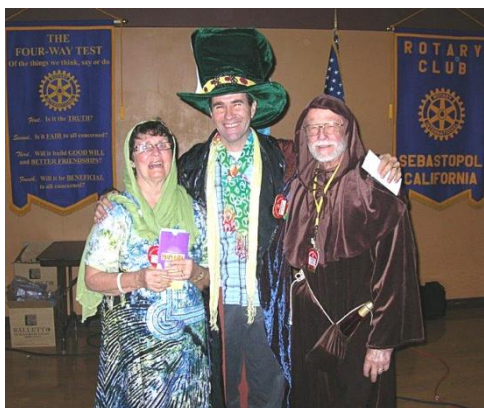


Jack Dunlap...multiply each of those names by \$200 for an idea of how much was raised. [Sally's later email said a total of \$3,600 (\$2,500 for Polio Plus). -Ed.]

For more information on this project, go to **EndPolioNow.org** (and possibly be one of those in the video showing 'We're This Close' by holding the index finger and the thumb an inch apart).



Videos showing a younger **Bob Cary** and, later, a **Bobs (Cary & Rogers)** interview were shared as well. Both had vivid memories of their youth, being in huge auditorium-sized buildings filled with patients in iron lungs and the mirrors that allowed them to see, just marginally, their surroundings.



The annual Halloween Costume Contest took place, with some outstanding outfits.

3rd Place - **Steve Beck**, dressed as a 'mad' monk or Obi-Wan Kenobe?

2nd Place - **Kathy Mayhew**, in authentic African garb

1st Place - **Brendon Houston**, a dead ringer for "The Mad Hatter".

President Bob awarded **Brendon** with two tickets (value, \$200) to the October 26 Haunted House Halloween Party at the Bodega School House.



Greg Jacobs, in a Sebastopol Sea Serpents outfit, was an also-ran; however, someone suggested that he would have won if he had shown up as a Sea Serpent in a Speed-o suit.

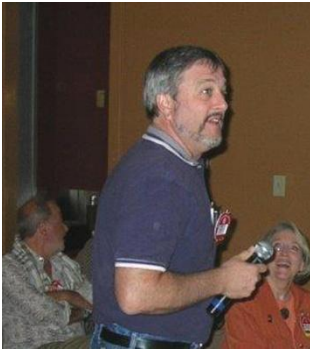




Recognitions -- It Was a FINE Day



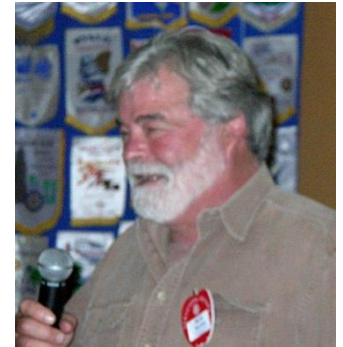
What, with **President Bob** back from a Mexican vacation, it was time to pay the piper:



Edwin Wilson, accused of being 16 years of age at the time of his wedding, was fined...or was he? Only the *Club Runner* (or **Jack Blasco**) knows the answer. But the **Prez** didn't let it go there, tracking down a Wilson Maui trip and a family saying, "Dibs on a bone saw" to flesh out \$35 from our **former Prez**.

Because **Prez Bob** had to flush out a Lake Tahoe vacation attributed to **Rick Wilson**, even if it didn't happen, **Rick** had to cough up \$20.

The same fate fell upon **David Schreibman** -- never mind that he provided proof of his trip to Toronto -- he was still hit for \$25 because the **Prez** had to go on Facebook to capture the airplane photo (part of **The Prez**' new policy on having to do so much detective work on his own).



Torrey Olson was dinged for a Seattle trip, \$25; he asked if he could pay the fine in persimmons. Despite the future persimmon possibilities for Bob's raffle, there was no bartering.

Greg Gill was fined \$40 for a series of misadventures in Gray Eagle, including a confession that he held a conversation with a dummy...this time not referring to the **Prez** but a real mannequin, with a photo as proof.



Tom Boag celebrated anniversary #45 with **Ralph** and anniversary #50 as a Stanford graduate...throw in two vacation trips to Ferndale and Sandpoint, Idaho and it cost Tom just \$40.



The Raffle [AKA Rotarian Powered Slot Machine]



Did **Prez Bob** finally pull it off? The slot machine worked perfectly on the big screen. Spaghetti spewed from all three reels. We have a winner! Wait! No one was pre-selected (no drawing) to participate. So who pockets the winnings? Stay tuned.



The Program -- No Program... In the Spirit of Giving



The Closing Cow Bell



NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: Mary Szecsey on Affordable health Care Act and West County Health Services.

SO MANY CHOICES: Prez Bob went with the traditional, if unpopular, cow bell to close out another eventful gathering.



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)

#9: 100% Attendance

Regular attendance is essential to a strong and active Rotary club. The emphasis on attendance can be traced back to 1922 when Rotary International announced a worldwide attendance contest that motivated thousands of Rotarians to achieve 100 percent attendance year after year. Many Rotarians take great pride in maintaining their 100 percent record in their own club or by making-up at other Rotary club meetings.

Although the bylaws of Rotary require members to attend only 60 percent of all meetings, the custom has emerged that 100 percent is the desirable level. Rotary stresses regular attendance because each member represents his own business or profession and thus the absence of any member deprives the club of the values of its diversified membership and the personal fellowship of each member. From time to time, proposals have been made to give attendance credit for various reasons or to lower the minimum requirement. Such attempts generally have been rebuffed by the clubs acting through the Council on Legislation.

RI Reading: World Polio Day, Making History on

[LINK TO RI WEB PAGE](#)



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Weekly Update *A roundup of Rotary news*



[Making History on World Polio Day](#)

Rotary helped put polio eradication on center stage on the day best known for rallying support to finish the job. On 24 October, a special Livestream presentation – World Polio Day: Making History – showcased the progress of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

- [Read more](#)
- [Watch the event](#)
- [Read an interview with actress Archie Panjabi](#)
- [Read Panjabi's blog post for Rotary Voices](#)

In other news

[Miles to End Polio](#)

Rotary staff join General Secretary John Hewko in an effort to raise support for polio eradication.

[We can't afford to lose the fight against polio](#)

Paralympian Dennis Ogbe overcame polio as a child. He blogs about why we must finish the job of eradicating the crippling disease.

[Traveling Rotary members link up on My Rotary](#)

The International Travel and Hosting Fellowship has started a discussion group on My Rotary, where members can gather online to share their passion for traveling and hosting. Join the conversation, or start your own.

Announcements

[Learn how you can partner with Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to help make history](#)

[Hewko to be honored at this year's El Tour de Tucson](#)

[Make plans today to attend the 2014 Rotary International Convention in Sydney, Australia](#)

[Register for 2013 Rotary-UN Day](#)

Resource guide



[ideas.rotary.org](#)

Seven projects are using Rotary's new crowdsourcing platform to find partners. Enter the keyword "partner" to [browse these projects](#), or use the platform to promote your own project.



[Rotary Showcase](#)

Visit our showcase, read about projects in your own community and across the globe, and be inspired by the positive change we're creating.



[Rotary Video Magazine Collection 6](#)

Includes six inspiring videos on one DVD.

Weekly Update brings you the latest Rotary news, features, and links to resources that will equip you for all your Rotary activities. Use this content free of charge in any of your Rotary communications, including club or district newsletters and websites. Download free photos at [Rotary Images](#).

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