



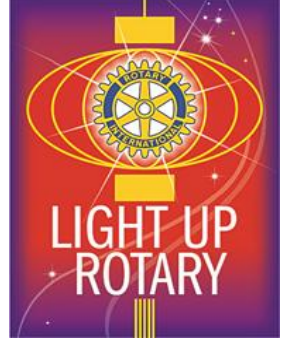
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Sebastopol Rotary Club's Weekly Bulletin

Hari Meyers -- Mythological Stories



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"All the News that Fits We Print"



Before The Bell



I arrived at noon, which is unusual for me, and was greeted by **Rick Wilson** who reminded me that I said I would help greet this summer. I told him I was here to be **Scribe** and asked him if he had any advice for this job. He laughed and said to listen.

This got me on a roll so I asked a few others for advice on how to be a good scribe including **JT Martin**, **Barbara Beedon**, **Robin Maybury**, and **Frank Mayhew**. Some of their astute advice was: write fast; it takes longer than you think; it helps if you know shorthand; get all the dirt; and be sure to get the list of visiting Rotarians from the **Secretary**. It was all very helpful, but of course, I forgot to get the list and had to ask others for help, but that was After the Bell.



At The Bell



President Ron rang the bell at exactly 12:15, calling the meeting to order. **Frank Mayhew** led us in a spirited salute to the flag, and asked us to say it like we mean it, which we did.

Karen Daniels led us in a beautiful rendition of *Oh Beautiful* while the flag waved on the big screen.



Two thoughts for the day were shared by **Barbara Beedon**, one serious and one humorous.

"Almighty God, who are mother and father to us all,
Look upon your planet earth divided:
Help us to know that we are all your children,
That all nations belong to one great family,
And all of our religions lead to you.

Multiply our prayers in every land
Until the whole Earth becomes your congregation,
United in your love.

Sustain our vision of a peaceful future
And give us the strength to work unceasingly
To make that vision real."

-- Helen Weaver

"Who was the first person to look at a cow and say, 'I think I'll squeeze these dangly things here, and drink whatever comes out?'"

Future Programs

August 8, 2014

Speaker: **Tom Montan & Staff**
[See in After the Bell]
Program: **Sebastopol Center for the Arts (Come early to see the gallery exhibits.)**
Location: **Sebastopol Center for the Arts** ←**NOTE**
(Veterans Building, 282 S. High St., Seb.)

August 15, 2014

Speaker: **Carol Hart**
Program: **The Future of Parks in Sonoma County**

August 22, 2014

Speaker: **Gail Atkins**
Program: **Redwood Empire Food Bank**

Future Events

November 15

The Great Gatsby Party!!!
(See Attachment)

Handy Links

[Pinot for Polio Form](#)
[Great Gatsby Gala Poster](#)
[Sebastopol Rotary Website](#)
[Learn to Swim - Connecticut](#)

Miscellany

Next Board Meeting (Ron's)

Date/Time: **Thursday, August 13th, 5:15 p.m.**

Location: **Pauline Pellini's Office**
(Wherever that is – Maybe at new Barlow office???)

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)
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

VISITING ROTARIANS

Dan Bornstein, Santa Rosa

Jeff and Pearl Watts,
Gualala Rotary

Michael McGloughlin,
Sebastopol Sunrise



AND GUESTS

Larry Ford introduced his lovely wife Gerry Riley-Ford.

At the same table, Bob Rogers introduced his wife Peggy.



President Ron, then said he would introduce his wife Lynda, who was sitting at the table with Gerry and Peggy.

Bob Cugini introduced Willie.



Monica Kretschmer introduced her daughters Reanna and Ashlyn.



Tom Lambert welcomed back Troy McAdams and his wife Nichole who were warmly greeted.





Tom Lambert welcomed back Julianna McBurney (McAdams) and Alexis Trinei, our club's short-term exchange students who spent several weeks in France this summer. **Tom** also welcomed Julianna and Lexie's exchange partners to our community, who will be hosted by Julianna and Lexie's families until they return to France in a few weeks.

Julianna McBurney (McAdams) will be a junior at Analy this fall, where she is involved in activities such as basketball, cheerleading and playing the flute and clarinet at Analy band concerts. Julianna

thanked the Club for her trip to France and introduced her exchange partner Romane Lebrech-Foulatier who is from Tournlaville, a town in Normandy, France. She also thanked the Club.

Alexis ("Lexie") Trinei will be going into her sophomore year this fall. She is also very active running cross-country races and other track events. She also volunteers for the Ceres project that provides food for cancer patients. Lexie thanked the Club for her trip to Normandy and introduced her exchange partner Jeanne Civeyrac who is from Bois-Guillaume, which is also a town in Normandy. She also thanks the Club for her opportunity.



Announcements--Today's Views & News



The picnic on Saturday, Aug. 2, will be held [... was held – See photos. –Ed.] at **Bob Rogers** Gopher Hole and Zucchini Farm. Contact **David Still** to sign up for the picnic. It looks to be loads of fun with games and raffles, plus catering by **Mario Ramos** and a margarita bar. There is a swimming pool and kids are welcome and free.

The Great Gatsby plans are coming together nicely. **Mia Del Prete** said the table decorations are ready but volunteers are needed for committees. Please let **Mia** or **Meredith Bertacco** know if you can help.

The August 8 meeting of the Rotary Club of Sebastopol will be at the Sebastopol Center for the Arts in the Little Red Hen Room.

A very special Thank You Letter was received by **Tom Lambert**, from **John Powell**, for his work with the Programma De Becas in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Our Club has been involved since 1996 and many members have supported a student every year since. John thanked the Rotary Club of Sebastopol for improving the lives of students and entire families. The deadline for supporting a student this year is extended until the Aug. 8 meeting. This is very gratifying work as so many of these students attend college and work to change lives in their communities.



Recognitions



President Ron recognized club members who had recent birthdays and only gave them a \$5 fine.



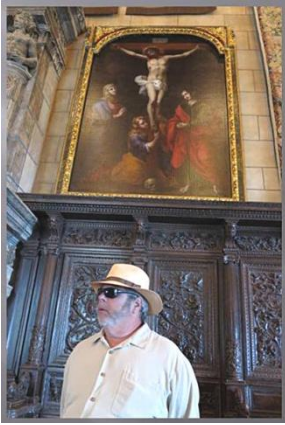
Dorothy Rodella responded with a brief and beautiful song phrase.

Mia Del Prete missed the July 18 meeting to celebrate her birthday with friends.

Ken Silveira went Zip Lining and said it was lots of fun. He encouraged us to give it a try.

President Ron is so helpful – he reminded **Richard Petersen** of his wife's **Debra's** upcoming birthday and **Mike Carey** of his upcoming anniversary.

Other anniversaries celebrated recently were **Tom Campbell**, **Torrey Olson**, and **Dave Peterson**.

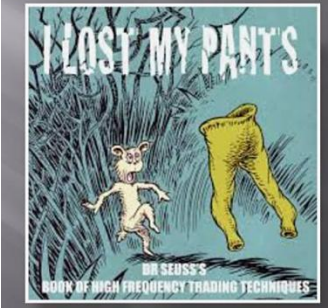


Travel:

Dorothy Rodella went to Hearst Castle. She recommends it for great art, and ostentatious art and buildings too. She recommends a visit. Her sunset photo was spectacular.



The Story of the "Lost Pants"????



Tom Dilley went to Alaska for 19 days. Somewhere along the way his pants went missing, but then showed up in his suitcase. He went to the Yukon, the Arctic Circle and caught some fish.



Another Announcement



President Ron showed a heartwarming moving Rotary video that reminded us why we are members and contribute. The video showed all the important life supporting activities Rotary participates in around the world. The current focus is on sustainability – to make our contributions last.



The Raffle



Wow, **Larry Ford** had the winning raffle ticket two weeks in a row. Last week he got the candy, but this week he added \$100 to his handful of candy. The Three Musketeers Bar was the winning draw.



Still Another Announcement



JT Martin made a pitch for the Ives Park Concert Series every Wed. at 5pm during the summer. Rotary Club of Sebastopol provided \$2,000 in seed money and now other local business folks are sponsoring as well. Last week over 1,000 people attended this great community event. **JT** encouraged us all to check it out.



🍎 The Program 🍎

Vince DaLuiso introduced, Hari Meyers, a local storyteller of mythological stories. **Vince** noted that early this year, we learned how to craft a good story. Today we will hear a real storyteller telling a real story.



Hari Meyers gives a series at the Sebastopol Center for the Arts if you want to hear more. He has been telling stories for 25 years. He finds the timeless myths to be fascinating and help us understand where we come from and why we are. He also noted that live storytelling is more compelling than TV or media.

Hari transformed himself into the story teller before our eyes. He donned the Robe of Rhythm and the Staff of Story and began. He held our rapt attention with myths from India and then from Greece. Both stories contained the ups and downs of life, struggle, potential destruction, and ultimately survival.

The messages from the stories, however, were very different. Hari asked us to consider the two messages from two cultures with very different points of view about the nature of life.

The story from India demonstrates how we can be agitated by conflict, go back and forth, push and pull, but eventually this struggle will produce good that can benefit all of us.

The story from Greece indicates that we are doomed to wander a labyrinth of pain and suffering for all of time.

Hari asked us what we thought, what is our point of view. **Frank Mayhew** answered with YES. Then **Robin Maybury** said this is a question he struggles with. To seek answers he talks with older friends. He thinks, perhaps, we are doomed to struggle. People with strong religious faith and generous people don't have much hope at this time.



Mike Ferguson talked about devastating world wars and current events. He noted that humans are learning lessons. Everything is a cycle...We are in better times today with more understanding of the world wars.

Hari noted this was the Hindu view of life, that everything is cyclical. The Western point of view is a linear progression, we wander the labyrinth but in a linear way.

Finally, our storyteller said he doubts the despair point of view. Currently things look bad, but there is possibility. He talked about how his sons have a positive attitude and say the world is moving so much faster, information is shared and people are waking up. The next generation has vision and positive attitude.

Linda Johnson agreed. She is a grandmother and young people are very positive about their world. She has faith that the young people are the answer.

Well there were two good stories and then so much to think about!

🍎 The Closing Bell 🍎



President Ron reminded us the next meeting on Aug. 8 is at the Center for the Arts and suggested that you come early to see the gallery exhibits. [Tom Montan, Marketing-Operations Director for SCA, will give us a brief talk about the work of the Center, and will invite us to enjoy the current exhibit, "Play it Again, Sam", which has some amazing recycled art pieces. He will also tell us about the Sebastopol Documentary Film Festival, presented by the Center (see at <http://www.sebastopolfilmfestival.org/index.php> -Ed.]



He thanked our guests and gave another welcome to our exchange students. He then rang the bell, closing the meeting.

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)

#46: Women's Groups Associated with Rotary

Some very significant programs of Rotary service are not conducted by Rotarians. This is true because of the many projects sponsored by organizations of Rotarians' wives and other women relatives associated with Rotary clubs around the world. Generally organized before Rotary clubs admitted women to membership, these groups served, and continue to serve, as a way for spouses of Rotarians to support the Rotary ideal of service and make valuable contributions to their community.

Women's groups — often called Women of Rotary, Rotary Ann Clubs, Las Damas de Rotary, or the more formalized organization, The Inner Wheel — annually conduct hundreds of notable projects of humanitarian service. They establish schools, baby clinics, food and clothing distribution centers, hospital facilities, orphanages, homes for the elderly, and other service activities, and they frequently provide volunteer service on a day-to-day basis to operate child-care centers for working mothers and provide necessary resources for Youth Exchange students. In many instances, the women's groups complement and supplement the programs of service performed by the local Rotary clubs. Many of the women's groups actively conduct international service projects as well as local projects.

The RI Board of Directors in 1984 recognized the excellent service and fellowship of the clubs and organizations of women relatives of Rotarians and encouraged all Rotary clubs to sponsor such informal organizations.

The Great Gatsby Gala – November 15, 2014



RI Reading – President Gary C. K. Huang's Membership Goal

[CLICK HERE TO GO DIRECTLY TO WEBSITE](#)



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[President Gary C.K. Huang's ambitious membership goal](#)

Gary C.K. Huang never imagined he would become Rotary International's president when he joined in 1976, but now that he is in office, he hopes to increase membership to 1.3 million by the end of his term. Huang has a track record of improving membership development in Asia, adding 19 clubs when he was district governor for Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Macau.

- [Read more](#)
- [Read a profile in *The Rotarian*](#)
- [Follow the president on Facebook](#)

GIVE

We Are Rotary

Help us celebrate membership in August

Join our global celebration of membership during the month of August. If you are a member of Rotary, Interact, Rotaract, or a RYLA participant, share photos on Facebook, Twitter, Vine, and Instagram using the hashtag #WeAreRotary to be included in our gallery and help us show how Rotary is making a difference.

- [Change your profile picture](#)
- [View our hashtag gallery](#)
- [Signup for the webinar Membership: It's Now or Never](#)
- [Join a discussion about membership best practices](#)



Rotary Youth Exchange

Interactor says Youth Exchange is unforgettable

Augusto La Colla learned about Rotary Youth Exchange through his Interact Club and seized the opportunity to study in Germany for a year. In his blog post for Rotary Voices, he described how Youth Exchange changed his life.

- [Read more](#)
- [Learn about Youth Exchange](#)
- [Check out a Model United Nations program on Rotary Showcase](#)



SÃO PAULO CONVENTION DATES CHANGED

The 2015 Rotary Convention will run Saturday, 6 June, through Tuesday, 9 June – starting and ending one day earlier than originally scheduled.



- [Learn more about this change](#)
- [Check \[riconvention.org\]\(http://riconvention.org\) for updates, registration & housing details](#)
- [Find information about HOC events](#)

NEW DUES PROCESS EASIER FOR CLUBS

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.

- [Learn more about the new process](#)
- [Find answers to frequently asked questions](#)
- [Send questions & comments to \[clubinvoice@rotary.org\]\(mailto:clubinvoice@rotary.org\)](#)

Rotary Days

Attract new members, and have fun doing it

President Gary C.K. Huang is encouraging clubs and districts to sponsor or participate in a Rotary Day event in 2014-15 to introduce new members to Rotary. You can upload a video of your event to YouTube, and send a description to rotary.service@rotary.org to have your club considered for special recognition by the president.

- [Find out ways you can hold a Rotary Day](#)
- [Check out a calendar of Rotary Day events](#)
- [Learn about a Rotary Day celebration in the Philippines](#)

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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Send questions to website@rotary.org. Share comments on [Rotarians Worldwide discussion group](#).

Club Picnic at Rogers' Gopher Hole and Zucchini Farm, August 2, 2014



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