

"All the News that Fits We Print"



**President Ron Puccinelli** called the meeting to order (depending on how one defines 'order') at precisely (was there any doubt?) 12:15, at the <u>Sebastopol Center for the Arts</u>. However, more than a few of our ilk rolled in shortly after, enticed earlier by the aroma of freshly-baked apple pies at our usual 'baunt' on the Gravenstein Highway. Many of us are truly creatures

'haunt' on the Gravenstein Highway. Many of us are truly creatures of habit, despite the **Prez'** (and this publication's) earlier reminders!

**Bob Rogers** led the flag salute flawlessly, **Karen Daniels** energized the group in leading the singing of *America the Beautiful* and **Jack Blasco** gave us food for thought from <u>Franklin D. Roosevelt</u>:



"True individual freedom cannot exist without economic security and independence. People who are hungry and out of a job are the stuff of which dictatorships are made."

"When you reach the end of your rope, tie a knot in it and hang on."



"I think we consider too much the good luck of the early bird and not enough the bad luck of the early worm."

Jack did not single out those 'late worms' mentioned above.





**Tom Campbell** introduced his wife of 50 years (and certainly up for sainthood), **Susan**. He took some (a lot of!) time talking about their anniversary celebration in Baja and, specifically, <u>Loretto</u>. In fact, many in the audience thought this was the day's program. However, someone did remind us that **Tom**, indeed, is an <u>attorney</u>. He also brought along visual evidence from the trip (a picture the size of a postage stamp and a Xeroxed family photo). Fortunately for **Tom**, he was not fined by the word, but it still cost him \$35.



## Future Programs

### August 15, 2014

Speaker:	Carol Hart
Program:	The Future or Parks in
	Sonoma County

#### August 22, 2014

Speaker: Gail Atkins Program: Redwood Empire Food Bank

#### <u>August 29, 2014</u>

Speaker: Cheryl Davy, Foreperson Sonoma County Grand Jury Program: Sonoma County Grand Jury 2013-2014

Future Events
November 15
The Great Gatsby Party!!!
(See Attachment)

Crab Feed Februrary 14, 2015

Handy Links <u>Pinot for Polio Form</u> <u>Great Gatsby Gala Poster</u> <u>Sebastopol Rotary Website</u> <u>Learn to Swim - Connecticut</u>





Bob Rogers introduced his wife, Peggy. David Still introduced his wife, Nan.

**Bill Cole** introduced the day's host and program presenter, **Linda Galletta.** 



**Bill Cole** introduced **Lynda Puccinelli** rescuing **Prez Ron** from a potential oversight.





The club's August 2 picnic was deemed a great success, reinforced by a number of fun-filled photos. Obviously, it was all made possible through the efforts and care of **Bob and Peggy Rogers**. But a few others were highlighted as well: **Mario Ramos** and **Karen Daniels** combining their margarita-making skills), **J.T. Martin** (serving as life guard, just in case the Mario-Karen team took their job too seriously), and the club's activities director **Guenter Meiburg**.

**Bob Reeves** introduced his guest, granddaughter <u>Katlin</u> who is a sophomore at New Technology High School in Napa.

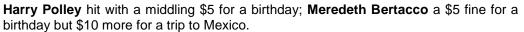
Bob Cugini (who deserved some credit as well) also pointed out the special efforts of David Still and Julie Cugini that led to the success of the GOPHER-ZUCCHINI FARM picnic.

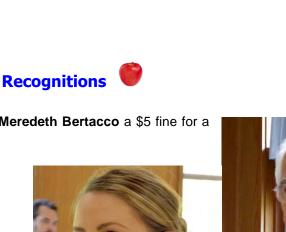
Prez Ron reminded all about the November GREAT GATSBY GALA and how its success will depend on full participation. The good news: There will be no chasing of loose lobsters. The reality news: It will take special efforts to turn the community center into a Roaring 20's road house.

Tom Lambert was cited for his efforts to make "Programma de Becas" an ongoing success -- by both our club and the Mexico program's administration.

Jerry Warren provided an update on former club member Emily Buller, who just finished her second year of law school at UCLA. Emily has already worked with The Hague International Center of Justice and has already fielded a few job offers that await her when she completes her final year. Besides her past efforts that benefited Sebastopol Rotary, Emily was one of the original Interactors at Brook Haven School.

Barbara Beedon noted that this month is "Rotary Membership Month" around the world. So we need to get on this in a big way. Barbara is taking over the leadership of this effort and needs our participation. She also thanked Harry Polley and Jerry Warren for their past work in this area.









Waldo Emily Buller Where are You?





Richard Petersen escaped major damage for an anniversary, in spite of a gift of a vacuum cleaner to celebrate the event.

**Michael Hixson** suffered the same fate, even though no vacuum cleaner was involved.

**Edwin Wilson** was cited for missing the club picnic but he (thought) he had an iron-clad alibi --assisting a scout working for the rank of "Eagle Scout" last Saturday. However, once **the Prez** discovered that this commendable action only covered part of that day, **Edwin** was tagged for \$10.

**Mike Carey** was fined \$20 for a 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary.







**Gene Nelson** was pilloried in the **President**'s uncovered photo evidence --even though **Gene** was actually *not* the man-ofthe-cloth in the pictures. The first shot showed a minister's car being pulled over by an officer presumably for driving erratically. In the second photo the minister explains he had only been drinking water. However in the final photo, when the officer noted the smell of alcohol [wine], the good Reverend exclaimed "Glory be, <u>He has done it again</u>." We are all guessing the officer did not share the reverend's excitement.



**Bob Rogers** hauled in a 22-pound Salmon, but still was outdone by **Ken Silveira's** 28-pounder. **J.T. Martin** was also on-board but craftily avoided the **Prez's** hook by leaving the denizens of the deep alone. A \$15 fee was levied on his ship mates.

**Jack Blasco** went deep as well, crawling down tungsten mines near Bishop, Ca. This forgotten part of Americana featured old machinery and tunnels going down half a mile. But at least he didn't catch a fish (but the experience still cost him \$20).





In a mild surprise, **Larry Ford** did not hold the winning ticket this week (must have been the change in venue that threw **Larry** off his game). The honor of turning the sweet spinner went to **Mel Davis**. Unfortunately, the Spinner didn't pay out; \$50 on the table next week.





"Art is anything you can get away with." Andy Warhol

Today's crowd had the opportunity to view current art works at the <u>Sebastopol Center for the Arts</u> as well as talk with SAC's Executive Director <u>Linda Galletta</u> and the Center's Film Program Director <u>Jason Purdue</u>.



an outdoor patio area.

**Barbara Beedon** introduced <u>Linda</u>, who gave a history of the facility, sharing that the former vets' building was closed by the county as a result of the 2007-08 financial recession. The county offered a 30-year lease that still required some serious local fundraising (approximately \$500,000) to make the center dream a reality.

The center includes studios for ceramics, music, yoga, dance, painting, as well as the main gallery. SAC also offers four weeks of children's camps, featuring art, music, dance and writing.

Future facility improvements include permanent fixtures in the <u>Little Red Hen</u> dining room (which at one time was Sebastopol Rotary's meeting place for many years) and



The Sebastopol Arts Center also oversees the county-wide "Art at the Source", which includes 160 different studios available for visits each October.

<u>Linda</u> introduced <u>Jason Purdue</u>, who is the Film Program Director for the SAC. The SAC, along with the Rialto Theater and the Main Street West Theater, hosts the "Sebastopol Documentary Film Festival" each spring. This event has received national recognition and continues to grow in participation and popularity. Over 5,500 people attended the event this past spring.



To meet the strong interest and demand, the Sebastopol Art Center added "The Best of the Fest", selecting and showing the most popular films/videos from the spring event. This year audiences will be able to see these works at the SAC on August 29, when they will be showing *Finding Hollywood* and *I am Sarah Maple* at 7:00 p.m. On September 12 they will be showing *Levitated Mass* and *Vultures of Tibet*, also at 7:00 p.m.

SAC will also be holding the first LGBT film festival on October 24-25.

One of the after presentation questions was "How can we help out or volunteer." Linda Galletta said the best way is to send her an email at Lindag@sebarts.org.

# 🌑 The Closing Bell 🤎

**President Ron** brought the meeting to an early end, giving members additional time to view an exhibit of art created from recycled materials in the main gallery.

## <u>THE ABC's of Rotary</u> (Taken from "The ABCs of Rotary", a Rotary International publication originally prepared by <u>Dr. Cliff Dochterman who was RI President in 1992-93</u>) #47: Functional Literacy Program

It has been estimated that a billion people — one-sixth of the world's population are unable to read. Illiteracy among adults and children is a global concern in highly industrialized nations and in developing countries.

The tragedy of illiteracy is that those who cannot read are denied personal independence and become victims of unscrupulous manipulation, poverty, and the loss of human dignity. Illiteracy is demeaning. It is a major obstacle for economic, political, social, and personal development and a barrier to international understanding, cooperation, and peace in the world.

Many Rotary clubs are thoughtfully surveying the needs of their community for literacy training. Some clubs provide basic books for teaching reading. Others establish and support reading and language clinics, provide volunteer tutorial assistance, and purchase reading materials. Rotarians can play a vitally important part in their community and in developing countries by promoting projects to open opportunities that come from the ability to read. For example, Australian Rotarians developed Lighthouses for Literacy projects in four schools in Thailand. This innovative teaching method proved so successful that the Thai government adopted it for all the nation's schools. Other Rotary clubs have used this model to develop literacy projects in Bangladesh, South Africa, Brazil, and other countries

# The Great Gatsby Gala – November 15, 2014



# RI Reading – Polio remains a public health emergency CLICK HERE TO GO DIRECTLY TO WEBSITE



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## Polio remains a public health emergency

On 31 July, the World Health Organization confirmed that polio remains a public health emergency of international concern. The decision means recommendations on travel from polio-impacted countries will remain in place, protecting the initiative's overall gains in the fight against polio. These recommendations are as important as ever with the WHO facing another public health emergency in the Ebola outbreak.

- Read a statement in support of the WHO declaration
- Learn how you can help advocate for a polio-free world
- Join a discussion about polio eradication

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## **Celebrating membership**

Taking Rotary into the next generation

After her Rotary scholarship, Erin Mills moved back to Uruguay to teach, but couldn't find a Rotary club that fit her needs. So she joined other young leaders to start their own. In her post for our blog Rotary Voices, Mills explains how the energetic club is taking Rotary into the next generation.

- <u>Read more</u>
- Join our global celebration of membership
- <u>Sign up for a free webinar on membership</u>
- <u>Share membership best practices</u>

## Tools you can use

### Secrets of a successful crowdsourcing campaign

The Internet is littered with humanitarians struggling to raise money and gather resources for projects that could make a positive impact in the world. The secret to a successful crowdsourcing campaign is simple: make it easy to give. Discover seven ways you can make it easy for supporters to back your project.

- <u>Read more</u>
- Find a project to support on Rotary Ideas
- <u>Share your tips in our discussion group</u>

## 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.

- <u>Learn more about this change</u>
- <u>Check riconvention.org for updates, registration &</u> <u>housing details</u>
- <u>Find information about HOC events</u>



## **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.

- <u>Learn more about the new process</u>
- <u>Find answers to frequently asked questions</u>
- Send questions & comments to clubinvoice@rotary.org

### John Germ choice of nominating committee for 2016-17 RI president

John F. Germ, a member of the Rotary Club of Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA, and chair of the International PolioPlus Committee, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of RI in 2016-17. He will become the president-nominee on 1 October if there are no challenging candidates. Catch up on this and other Rotary news below.

- Read about the nominating committee selection
- <u>Read a blog post for International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples</u>
- Learn how to host a Rotary Day

#### **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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