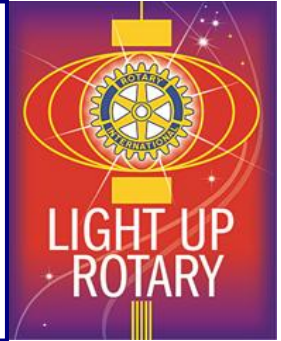


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Alan Soule – Electric Vehicles **CRAB FEED ISSUE**



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"All the News that Fits We Print"



Before The Bell



(Rotary-Crab-Cracken-Meeten-N-Crab-Dinner-Notes --- As seen through the mind of H.H.)



Your **Humble Scribe**, arriving tardy at the Crab-Cracken palace at almost 10 am, found a surprisingly non-crabby-crew, hard bent to their tasks of killing, cooking, and cleaning the crabs. My birthday buddy, **Greg Gill**, is once again running the timing chart for all of the eight gigantic cooken-pots.



The grand-crackers present at the morning festivities were **Greg Gill, Tony Given, Dan Rasmus, Steve Prandini, Rick Wilson, Jack Blasco, Jim Pacatte, Jerry Warren, Brad Benedetti, Nao Noguchi, Bob Cary, Dave Madsen, Greg Jacobs, Bob Rogers, & H.H.**

Nao has got this group organized like a fine tuned watch. There is a *synchronicity* here that is almost like a "Boiling-Cru-station-Symphony-of-cooken-cracken&cleanen."

..... in this stinky, messy process that is almost like a ballet. Everyone knows they are working together.



Greg Jacobs and **Dave Madsen** take the live crabs from the crab bin and transfer them to their demise by **Bob Cary**. The once whole, now ½ crabs are passed down to **Lucky Pierre, Nao, Tony, Dan Rasmus & Steve Prandini**. They get the wonderful job

of cleaning the crabs. The next stage of the operation is to pass the crabs on to the crab cookers **Bob Rogers** and **Capt. Mike**, with **Greg Gill** as the cooken-crab-pot-timer.



Future Programs

February 20, 2015

Speaker: Dave Mitchell, Former
Editor Pt. Reyes Light
Program: Small Town News & Big
Prizes

February 27, 2015

Speaker: PDG Michael Juric and
Team **POSTPONED -- TBD**
Program: New Concepts for Rotary
involvement

March 6, 2015

Speaker: Keller McDonald, Sally Ewald
Program: Teacher Awards

March 13, 2015

Speaker: Harry Simms
Program: Metabolic Diseases

March 20, 2015

Speaker: Larry Ford
Program: High School Speech Contest

March 27, 2015

Speaker: Ron Lindenbusch, Lagunitas
Brewery
Program: Community Involvement

Future Events

Fireside Chats – March TBA

Friendship Dinners

March 14, 21

District Conference

April 23rd – 26th

Sebastopol Golf Tournament

April 27, 2015

Handy Links

Pinot for Polio Form

Sebastopol Rotary Website

Community Grants Application

Miscellany

Next Board Meeting

Date/Time: **Wednesday, Mar. 12th, 5:15 p.m.**

Location: **New!! Vanguard Properties Office**
The Barlow in Sebastopol
6790 McKinley Street Suite 120

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS – jcbiasco@comcast.net

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

INTERACT MAKE-UPS – HAVE YOU TRIED IT?

Analay 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



When the ½ crabs are cooked to perfection..... & at the signal from master-timer, **Greg Gill**, the crabs are pulled from the huge boiling, steamy pots and transferred to their final cleaning table where **Brad Benedetti**, **Greg Jacobs**, & **Jerry Warren** do a final inspection & cleaning. The cleaned & cooked crabbys are then laid into a snowy bed of ice. As the processed crabs are laid in the ice an additional layer of shaved ice is lovingly sprinkled on our cooked-cru-stations by our own **Ricky Wilson** (not to be confused with **Rick Williams** of that

rumored, generous, erroneous offer of 75% off all purchases made by Rotarians at Harmony Supply.)
...But I digress....

At the conclusion of this afore-mentioned sequence, the freshly processed crabs are lovingly laid into a fluffy bed of snowy ice & there the little crabby's parts will rest until the afternoon shift beats them to death with their crab crackin' tools amd packs them in boxes for Pacific Market's portable refrigeration system (a.k.a. Reefer Truck), where they will stay nice and comfy until Sat night 2/14 Valentines night Crab-Feed at the Holey Ghost Hall, when they will be presented to romantic crab-lovers of Western Sonoma County. [Long Sentence Award...\$5... -Ed.]





It's 11:16 am and it's shirtsleeve weather at the Crab-Palace.

The 16 Crab-Crackers are still bent to their tasks. This process is a Symphony of Movement, Grace & Efficiency.

The Roto-Scuttlebutt today is that there was **NO CRABS AVAILABLE** for our crab-feed.

Da-ta-da-daaaa! Who appears upon the scene but our very own **Kenny Silveira** applying a little arm-twisting and bringing in the crab for our Rotary Club..... A big thanks to give you **Kenny & Pacific Market** for getting our crabs every year! It is 11:47am, and the last crabs have been cooked and are on the final cleaning table to be iced down. It's time to leave the

Crab-Palace for the Sacred-Roto-Palace.

I am now in the Roto-palace.....Looking around, I see our esteemed leader **Ron**. I ask him for the meeting outline so I can keep track of the comings & goings. **Pres. Ron** tells me "There's no out-line today." I ask Ron, "Does that mean we're winging it?" **Pres. Pooch** replies "Yep, we're wingen it today."

Wow, who would have thought it was going to be a wingen-it-day today! Your **Scribe** is always ready to wing-it!

OK, So..... Wingingtonthroughthemeeting this is what may or may not have happened.



At The Bell



FLAG SALUTE: **Paul Martinovich**

SONG:..."*Let me call you sweetheart*" lead by
"The Killer Keller
McDonald"



THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY:...**Tony Given**:

"Smile & Silence are powerful words. Smile is a way to solve many problems & silence a way to avoid many problems..... Anon

"Mistakes are painful when they happen, but years later a collection of mistakes called experiences leads us to success..... Anon



Visiting Rotarians & Guests



Pres. Ron introduced his sweetheart **Lynda**.



Announcements



127th annual Sebastopol Roto-Golf-Tournament:



Richard Petersen announced that this coveted tournament, with its deep history & tradition, will continue unabated on April 27, 2015 at the Santa Rosa Golf & Country Club.

CRAB-FEED !!!!!!!!!

It was announced that **THE CRAB-FEED IS SOLD OUT !!!!!**

Thank you **Nao & Dorothy & Aldean** and all of the **committee members** !

Thank you **Nao** for putting together all of the pieces of the puzzle.

Thank you **Dorothy & Aldean** for getting the tickets sold!

The second part of the good news about being sold out was that **"WE GOT CRAB!"** While it seems that crabs were in short supply this year our very own deal-maker extraordinary **Ken Silveira** was able to procure 1,000, that's right, 1,000 crawlen-crustigans to spa in our hot-pots prior to our annual fund raiser. Thank you **Kenny** for your years of service and your inside edge in the culinary-corner of our fund-raising. **Kenny** asked for some help in setting up the Holy Ghost hall and told us that former member **Dan Davis** was out at the hall setting up the bar which he fully funds for us and turns over the profits.....Thanks Dan!

Captn. Bob Rogers then asked for club volunteers to come to the Crab-Palace for some fun-crab-cracken-times & have some fun with your Roto-friends.

Our **Exalted Leader** then dismissed us to our delicious lunch.



Recognitions



It seems like **Captn. Bob Rogers** now owns two badges, as one seems to be perpetually lost. The lost one was presented to **Captn. Bob** by **Pres. Pooch** \$10

Pres. Pooch then passed on a recognition for Learn to Swim on to **Greg Jacobs**.

Our President then read off a list of past Sebastopol Citizens of the year and it was a Who's Who of our Rotary club.

Pres. Ron read a thank you to our club from the Ceres' program.

B-DAYS:

Mark Sell had his 64th B-Day on this meeting day. He got a Happy B-day song but wanted the Beatle's "When I'm 64" sung to him. Nice to see ya **Mark**, \$5 dalla please.

Kathy Mayhew Big B-Day on Feb. 11 with Family & Friends. \$5

TRIPS:

Dick Zimmer, Trip to Alaska. \$20

GRANDSON:

Cpn. Bob announced the birth of his new Surfin-Crocodile-Wrestling-Grandson.....Strangely named "Crocodile," a 9lb. 7 oz. Tasmanian devil. **Bob** started him on his Paul Harris with a Ben Franklin goin' to PolioPlus.





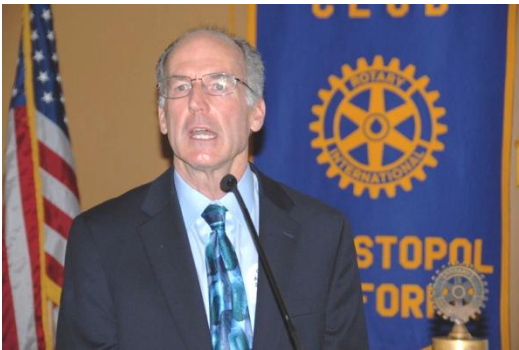
Sweet Spinner Raffel



The winning ticket #0687 was held by **Charlie Lippert** - Not to be confused with **Bill Lippert** - **Charlie** spun the Mysterious Wheel of Fortune & received a secret message that said "Three Musketeers." The joy of the moment was dashed when more Musketeers did not appear on the horizon to save this beautiful damsel. Alas, no Musketeers, no mula.



The Program – Alan Soule – Electric Vehicles



At this point our Valentines Speaker of Love Alan Soule was introduced by, was it, **Jim Passage**.

Alan's serious topic was: Ta-da!.....Electric Cars !

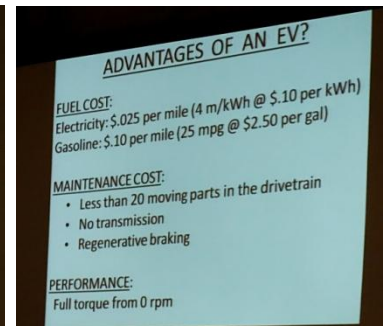
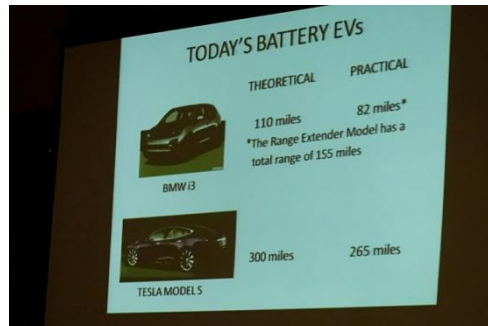
Boy I'll tell ya, it got my heart thumping.....Electric cars on Valentine's Day,.....



Reminds me of the time that **Past President Bruce Anderson** introduced the topic of Women's Minstrel cycles at a past Valentines program.

Actually, the program was an insight to the future of our personal transportation. Alan represents the North Bay Electric Automobile Association. He gave us a rundown of what's going on with elect cars today & in the future. He discussed medium-speed & high speed chargers and their planned distribution sites.

Electric car batteries are spent when they can no longer recharge & operate at 70% of their original efficiency. G.M. cars have made-in-the-U.S.A. batteries. Tesla buys the battery components in Japan and assembles them in the U.S.



The Final Bell



Alan finished his presentation, **Pres. Ron** rang the Roto-Meeting to a close and invited us to come out and look at Alan's Tesla Electric car.

🍎 After the Bell 🍎

Your **Scribe** was inthrawled [and probably enthralled as well -Ed.] with this Electric car and laid his notes & clipboard on the parking lot where they were perfectly safe until some inattentive departing Rotarian ran over the afore-mentioned scribe's notes and clipboard. (See photo of **Larry Ford** holding **Scribe's** notes & clipboard.) After a period of time, scotch taping his notes back together your **Scribe** returned to the Crab-Palace to finish the day cracken-crab-over-white-wine. The drinks were cheap, the company was fantastic.



🍎 The Crab Feed 🍎

Your **Scribe** worked the 2nd shift of the crab feed and it was another masterpiece of choreographed movement of Rotarians in action.

The Holy Ghost hall was filled to the brim with happy seekers of the perfect crab dinner. On this night their gastronomical goals of the perfect Crab-feed. Happy faces & full tummys told the tale of the evening.







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)**

ANNOUNCING A POP QUIZ ON THE ABC'S OF ROTARY

We have been editing the AppleKnocker for several years and, as a Club Service, we have been including the ABC's of Rotary. **You, regular readers**, have been treated to several cycles of the entire collection.

Members of the Rotary Club of Sebastopol are a conscientious group, so we know that you have the ABC's of Rotary memorized and – are now ready for your Pop Quiz.

We really haven't figured out how to administer this quiz but, of course there should be a certain financial penalty (small, in keeping with limited resources) for laggards.

We are a service organization, critically interested in your reading pleasure, so we would welcome your suggestions.

-Ed..

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GIVE

Be recharged

Join the celebration in São Paulo

Connect with other Rotary members over your favorite blend of coffee, experience the pulsing beat of samba as it sweeps you off your feet, and let world-renowned chefs dazzle your taste buds at the 2015 Rotary International Convention in São Paulo, 6-9 June. Like the city itself, the São Paulo convention will bring together people from around the world eager to celebrate and share their diverse backgrounds. Register by 31 March to get a discount on the registration fee.



- [Register now](#)
- [Learn more great reasons to attend, or plan your visit](#)
- [Get convention updates on Convention Insider](#)
- [Join a discussion on the convention](#)

Polio eradication

How will you celebrate 30 years of PolioPlus?

This year marks 30 years since Rotary began its campaign to rid the world of polio. Beginning on Rotary's anniversary, 23 February, Rotary.org and endpolio.org will report on our progress in eradicating polio and what Rotary clubs are doing to celebrate. Send photos of your club's celebration to blog@rotary.org to be included in a special gallery.



- [Learn about our fight to end polio](#)
- [Read about a golf marathon that raised money for polio eradication](#)
- [Browse polio awareness efforts on Rotary Showcase](#)
- [Join a discussion on ending polio](#)

MY ROTARY: YOUR CLUB RESOURCE HUB

Make a New Year's resolution to take advantage of Rotary's online tools! Go to [My Rotary](#) to find time-saving resources for all your club needs:

- [Rotary Club Central: Check your progress on club activities and plans and add accomplishments!](#)
- [Brand Center: Create promotional materials with our latest branding tools](#)
- [Rotary Ideas: Find donors, partners, and volunteers for your projects](#)



ROTARY PEACE SYMPOSIUM: 4-5 JUNE

Plan now to join Rotary Peace Fellows, alumni, and Rotary members in São Paulo for this special two-day event.

- [Follow us on Facebook for updates](#)
- [See our lineup of speakers](#)

Rotary in the news

Polio situation in Nigeria and other news

Nigeria, one of three countries where transmission of the wild poliovirus has never been halted, has not had a case of polio since 24 July. Time.com recently reported on the situation in Nigeria and the impact the upcoming elections might have on immunization efforts, quoting Nigeria PolioPlus Chair Abdulrahman "Tunji" Funsho. Stay informed with this and other examples of Rotary in the news.

- [Read the Time.com article](#)
- [Read Minda Dentler's plea to parents to vaccinate their children](#)
- [Watch RI President-elect K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran outline goals for 2015-16](#)
- [Enter The Rotarian's photo contest by 28 February](#)

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