

"All the News that Fits We Print"



President Ron called the meeting to order (or a reasonable facsimile of such) at 12:15. It was an omen of things to come.

Mark Stevens did, in fact, begin the flag salute promptly, no doubt thanks to his new vehicle getting him there on time.

Keller McDonald, like Elvis, was not in the building. So **Karen Daniels** did her best (well, better actually) imitation of the aforementioned **Keller**, leading us in "America the Beautiful."

Somewhere on this continent, **Aleia Coate** had a thought for this day. However, she was not able to share that with her brethren. So that task fell to fill-in **Harry Simms**, with some neighborly advice:

"Be kind to your neighbor: He knows where you live."





Bud Daveiro welcomed visiting Rotarians; <u>Sarah Hutchins</u>, Evening Rotary Club, Santa Rosa; <u>Summer Morris</u>, Sebastopol Sunrise, CPA; and <u>Dan Bornstein</u>, Santa Rosa, Dentist.

Tom Dilley introduced his guest and better half, Pat.





Future Programs

October 17, 2014

Speaker: Shirley Zindler, Animal Control Officer & Author Program: "The secret Life of a Dog Catcher"

October 24, 2014

Speaker: Michael Browne of Kosta Browne Winery Program: "How I Got Into Making Wine"

October 31, 2014

Speaker: Chris Smith Program: Press Democrat Community Columist

November 7, 2014

Speaker: Chris Bingham, Veterans Service Officer Program: Local Programs for Veterans

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

Holiday Party Dec 05, 2014

Crab Feed Februrary 14, 2015

Handy Links

Great Gatsby Gala Poster Sebastopol Rotary Website

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<u>Next Board Meeting</u> Date/Time: <u>Thursday, Nov. 13th</u>, <u>5:15</u> p.m. Location: <u>Pauline Pellini's Office</u> Vanguard Prop. 130 S. Main @ Burnett S, Seb.

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On-line Make-Ups: www.F	RotaryEClubOne.org
INTERACT MAKE-UPS	- HAVE YOU TRIED IT?

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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 !!!	

Announcements—Or Todays News and Views

Sarah Hutchins announced the second annual Heidi Zimmer Memorial Rotary Foundation Chili Cook Off. A huge crowd is expected; possibly 12 chili chefs and 150 competitors/voters. Tickets are \$25 at the door; this covers the chili, bread, salad and drink. **Dick Zimmer** will be among the crowd -- although he is not in the running for the cooking competition (a relief to many).



Gene Nelson spoke easily (speakeasy?) about the November 15 Great Gatsby Gala, noting that twothirds of the tickets are sold (but he didn't seem to know about the other third). He then fired off an impressive streak of clichés; "your opportunity is shrinking...we need to pick up the pace...and get your dancing shoes on." [No surprise that **Gene** is from the Vince Lombardi Inspirational Academy – **Scribe.**]

Diana Rich covered up for **Gene** well. She noted that forma I (1920's) attire was not required to attend, hinting that one could come as they are (wait, that's more than one!). **Diana** emphasized that this gala is all about energy, fun, the Rotary family -- so come and enjoy!! Of course, she also mentioned that we should be sure to sign up for some time during the two days of preparation before November 15.





Diana also noted that this year's event will be a 'first'...for the first time in a while stalwarts such as **Mike Long, Ken Silveira, Pierre Lagourgue** would be able to sit down and especially enjoy the event from that position. Thus, the rest of us should gladly salute them and their kind for a well-deserved break.

As for the entertainment, there is much to enjoy: the Silver Moon Band and the Sonoma County Calendar Girls will highlight the entertainment. Dress is relaxed. Repeat: one does not have to dress to the nines. However, anyone wanting to show up in boas, skinny ties (skinny boas?), and gangster hats are welcome. [Extras will be available in case yours are at the cleaners and you want to look the part –Ed.] Diana noted the prospect of spotting Gangster Guenter Meiburg amongst these celebrities on November 15. **Rick Wilson** envisions the spotlight on an <u>over-the-top martini bar</u>. His spirits were high over this possibility, but pointed out that this would require some <u>over-the-top liquid refreshment donations</u>.



President Ron noted that there are certain practices such as using ClubRunner, including the directory information, for non-club business or solicitations that are not appropriate. **Richard Power** added that there are potential consequences to the club's status as a charity, now and/or in the future.



Rick Wilson delivered a touching tribute to **Frank** and **Kathy Mayhew** and their travels around the world to do "good work" -- addressing health, hunger and education. Their crusade began in 2000, inspired by the International Rotary gathering in Buenos Aires. According to **Rick**, **Frank's** beginnings involved his journalistic aspirations in college where unfortunately those dreams came to an end when his hard-hitting coverage of a 'panty raid' was deemed 'not newsworthy'.





None of that really relates to what happened next. The **Mayhews** delved into international crusades to end poverty (a statistic was shared - 30,000 children die every day), using

international Rotary connections to adopt villages in deep poverty.

The couple travel the world, involving other Rotarians, dealing with critical issues such as inadequate water quality, polio elimination, and, on a larger front, international poverty crises.

Rick Wilson summarized the Mayhew matters in two short statements:

- "These two Rotarians are international superstars."
- "That's what Rotarians do!"

At this point **Sally Ewald** noted that we are in the midst of the Rotary Foundation drive -- and welcomed donations to the cause.



Harvey Henningsen noted that 300 students were involved in the most recent sawmill/museum event; they benefited from the new sound system donated from Rotary. So did Harvey's vocal cords.

Vince DaLuiso shared that his band recently performed at the yacht club in Bodega Bay. He described it as a classy place, a classy group, and a classy gig. He received a classy fine of \$20.

Kathy Mayhew gave a follow-up report on the trip to Weed. **She** and **Frank** brought a full container [the back of a Honda Pilot **–Ed.**] of needed clothes to the locals (as well as the funds raised at our recent gathering two weeks earlier).



The local Rotarians were optimistic despite the devastating fire (half the town is down) and greatly appreciated our club's gestures. **Kathy** was encouraged to continue the **Mayhew** efforts, beginning with a \$10 fine from our **Prez.** Wait --was that *for* or *from*?

Heidi's Gift

As a follow-up to the 2nd annual <u>Heidi Zimmer Memorial Rotary Chili Cook-off</u>, it was noted that the loss of this wonderful educator did have a positive outcome in one respect. <u>Heidi's</u> gift of sight to a needy patient will be celebrated at the upcoming year's Rose Parade.



The sparse crowd on this day prompted **Gene Nelson** to predict that even the people who bought the raffle tickets earlier in the meeting would be absent. He (for once) was right: the first three raffle winners were no-shows! Finally, **Henry Alker** was given the opportunity to go for the gold. His luck was no better than if he left earlier.





Barbara Beedon introduced today's presenter, <u>Buzzy Martin.</u> The Grand Rapids, Michigan native came to California several years ago, bringing his passion for music and connections with at-risk youth. A few years ago he wrote a book, DON'T SHOOT! I'M THE GUITAR MAN!



The title refers to his volunteering as a music teacher at San Quentin Prison for threeand-a-half years. And there is the possibility that this could become a Hollywood movie.

<u>Buzzy</u> shared from his San Quentin work that 100% of the inmates were abused as children/teens. He noted that when 'outsiders' visit San Quentin, in an effort to be pleasant/friendly, they will often ask, "How's it going? Nice day, huh?" And the inmates' pat response is simply, "Just another ground-hog day" (a reference to the Bill Murray movie, GROUND HOG DAY --where nothing ever changes.)

<u>Buzzy</u> compared his childhood (the 'Beaver Cleaver' days) to what many students do for entertainment today. A popular video game, Grand Theft Auto, Part III, a huge hit with kids grossed \$3 Billion in three days. It contains many negative messages including theft, prostitutes, gang-bangers, etc.

It is up to us in the community to take care of our kids – all of our kids. Essential messages include; you can be and do anything you want, and prison is not what it looks like in popular shows and movies.

The speaker also played a song for the group, "Mama, It's Christmas Eve from Prison" -- a sad ballad of lost hopes.



President Ron thanked <u>Buzzy</u> for his interesting talk and presented with with a donation in his name to The Pathway Home. He then rang the bell at exactly 1:30 p.m., ending the meeting.



The date that works for the Overcoming Obstacles Award Event day is April 17, 2015, please put it on your calendar.

September 13, 2014

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE—

The ROTARY CLUB OF SEBASTOPOL is now accepting applications for **THE SEBASTOPOL ROTARY TEACHER MINI-GRANT PROGRAM**.

Teachers from public and tax-exempt private schools within the boundaries of the West Sonoma County Union High School District are eligible to receive one-time grants in the amount of \$50 to \$500 to purchase classroom materials or to implement programs that might otherwise go unfunded.

A grant application and guidelines can be found at <u>www.sebastopolrotary.org</u> (click on the **Grants>Teacher Mini-Grants** link).

To be considered in the next funding cycle applications must be submitted by October 27, 2014.

Since its inception in the Fall of 2002, the Rotary Club of Sebastopol has distributed nearly \$200,000 in Mini-Grants to local teachers.

Please contact Michael Hixson at 228-0302 or <u>mikehixson@comcast.net</u> for more information.

THE ABC's of Rotary

<u>(Taken from "The ABCs of Rotary", a Rotary International publication</u> <u>originally prepared by</u> Dr. Cliff Dochterman who was RI President in 1992-93)

#56: Rotary Community Corps

One of the programs in Rotary's panoply of worldwide service activities and projects is the Rotary Community Corps. Formerly known as Rotary Village Corps (or Rotary Community Service Corps in urban areas), this form of grassroots self-help service was initiated by RI President M.A.T. Caparas in 1986 as a means of improving the quality of life in villages, neighborhoods, and communities. The program is built on the premise that there is frequently an abundance of available labor in an area but no process for mobilizing men and women to conduct useful projects of community improvement.

A Rotary Community Corps is a Rotary club-sponsored group of non-Rotarians who want to help their own community by conducting service projects. Rotarians provide professional expertise, guidance, encouragement, organizational structure, and some of the material assistance for the Rotary Community Corps, whose members contribute the manpower and knowledge of community needs to help their own community. Thus, the Rotary Community Corps is another way for Rotarians to serve in places of great need.

The Great Gatsby Gala – November 15, 2014





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White House honors Rotary Women of Action

Senior Rotary leaders gathered Tuesday at the White House to honor 10 women for their service projects, at an event attended by members of U.S. President Barack Obama's senior staff. The Rotary members presented their projects in the hopes of creating new inroads for government partnerships and support.

- <u>Read more about Rotary's Women of Action</u>
- Read "A Day at the White House With Rotary"
- <u>RI Director Julia D. Phelps blogs about the event</u>

GIVE

End Polio Now

Business partnerships pay big dividends in the fight against polio

Whether you're targeting a local, regional, or national business for support for Rotary's drive to end polio, the best way to begin is to identify a key contact and ask. Creating a corporate partnership is all about building relationships, as several Rotary members relate in our story on Rotary.org.

- <u>Read more</u>
- <u>Read about our live-streamed World Polio Day event</u>
- Join a discussion group on ending polio
- <u>Support the Miles to End Polio team</u>

Membership

What young professionals are looking for in Rotary

On 26-27 September, 30 Rotary members under the age of 40 gathered in an innovative meeting space in downtown Chicago to discuss how Rotary can better attract and engage young professionals. Read what they had to say in Chris Davidson's post for Rotary Voices.

- Read Davidson's post
- Learn more about Rotary's programs for young leaders
- Join the Young Professionals Network discussion group

WORLD POLIO DAY CELEBRATION

Be a part of Rotary's live-streamed event celebrating World Polio Day on 24 October! Hear inspiring stories, musical performances, and more.

- <u>Register to watch Rotary's live-streamed event on</u> <u>World Polio Day (English only)</u>
- **Download event resources on www.endpolio.org**
- Learn more about how you can Make History Today



ORGANIZE A ROTARY DAY

Hold a fun, informal event in your community and introduce the public to your club and Rotary. It just might inspire someone to join!

- <u>Learn more about Rotary Days</u>
- <u>See a calendar of Rotary Days events worldwide</u>
- Enter the Rotary Days video contest

Rotary in the News

Polio becomes a public health emergency in Pakistan

The Washington Post on Tuesday published a piece by Pakistan Bureau Chief Tim Craig on the rising number of polio cases in the country, quoting Rotary's Pakistan PolioPlus Committee Chair Aziz Memon. The article acknowledges positive gains, stating that "the global fight against polio has made enormous strides." Read the article and see these other articles about recent news in the fight to end polio.

- <u>Read the Washington Post article</u>
- Read "Karachi's polio vaccinators in the crosshairs" in Al Jazeera
- <u>Read "What it will take to end polio" in Time</u>
- <u>Read General Secretary John Hewko's commentary in the San Diego Union-</u> <u>Tribune</u>

Resources & reference

Rotary Voices: Stories of service from around the world

Rotary Leader: Helping club and district officers achieve success

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