



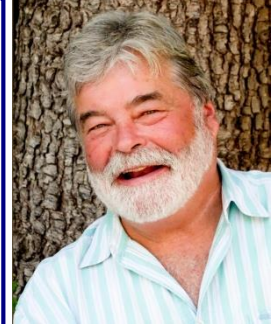
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"All the News that Fits We Print"



BEFORE THE BELL



The flash mob filed into the meeting room in great anticipation of the final act in the Presidency of **The Wilson**. But there was a pall cast over the crowd as the discussions turned to the Warriors loss in Cleveland and Presidential race... **Cindy Carter** and **Donna Pantzer** were down at the end of the line trying to wheedle more money from **The Masses** to support the Teacher Mini-Grant program – started many years ago by **Mark Sell**. AND THE WINNER IS....



Oh you have to wait until later in the meeting for that.
 [Comment from our new -Scribe via -Ed.]



AT THE BELL



We were all blasted out of our pre-meeting stupor by the rather loud call to order by **our hero, leader and soon to be departed president Rick Wilson**. Some of us suspect that he has a hearing loss from going to too many rock 'n roll concerts in his youth. Thankfully **Ron Puccinelli** turned him down to a level somewhat less than painful. **Rick** suggested that we all read the wonderful tribute to **Mel Davis** on the front page of that august publication Sonoma West Times and News (you're welcome **Rollie**). His memorial service will be at the Community Church on July 6th.

President Rick called on **Nao Noguchi** to lead the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

It's at the point in the program that we sing an inspirational song together. **President Rick** announced that, as part of his swan song, HE would lead the singing with the Paul McCartney song (that we all would know) "I've Seen a Face". Well the best laid plans were doomed to failure in that most of the **assembled mass** did not know, or remember the song, so it was **Rick** doing a solo with the crowd joining in occasionally with the LA DA DA!

🍎 Future Programs 🍎

June 24, 2016

Program: **DEBUNKING – of President Rick Wilson 5:00 PM**
Community Church Courtyard
(NO NOON MEETING)

July 1, 2016

DARK – (for 4th of July)

July 8, 2016

Speaker: **John Blount**
Program: **TBA**

July 15, 2016

Speaker: **Steve Zivolich**
Program: **Integrated Resources Institute**

🍎 Future Events 🍎

🍎 Handy Links 🍎

[Pinot for Polio Forum](#)
[Sebastopol Rotary Website](#)

🍎 Miscellany 🍎

Next Board Meeting

Date/Time: Tues, July 12th, 7:00 p.m.

Location: **David Schreibman's Home in Windsor**
(Check ClubRunner for Address)

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS – jcblasco@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 Dan Rasmus, Mark Stevens, Jack Dunlap)
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 !!!

Rick Williams was called on to give the Thought for the Day, but **President Rick** couldn't help but fine him for a mention in a Sonoma West Article... \$35 and the thought...

Three good reasons why it is OK to lose your mind:

1. You don't have to worry about it wandering off any more.
2. You don't have to feed it.
3. You don't have to change it.

The added kicker was from Mark Twain who is reported to have said that "Thunder is Good, Thunder is Impressive, but it is the lighting that does all the work!"



🍎 VISITORS AND GUESTS 🍎

Jack Dunlap introduced our lone visiting Rotarian, Doug McDonald, Non-profit Administration, from the Penn Valley club, a suburb of Grass Valley. Did you know there were burbs in Grass Valley?



Guests included **Jack Dunlap's wife Ruthie**, introduced by **Nao Noguchi** who also introduced his wife **Kathy**.



Bob Rogers introduced **Judy James**, from Kauai who is looking for a Rotary home. After a little prodding from **The Prez**, he also introduced his lovely wife, **Peggy**.



🍎 RECOGNITIONS 🍎

Except for the lone recognition of **Rick Williams**, there was no further eliciting of funds from any of the members. Beware though that if you haven't contributed your full penance... you will receive a bill in the mail from our departing leader.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Henry Alker was called to the podium to tell the crew about the scholarships that were just awarded to three SRJC students. The committee of **Bill Cole, Harry Simms, Donna Pantzer, Jackie Moreira, Russ Cunningham, Tom Lambert, Hal Kwalwasser, Scott Briggs, Steve Beck and Robin Maybury.** The committee received 47 applications, which they narrowed down to six. Then **Henry, Bill and Russ** interviewed those, narrowing it down further to three winners. This year the winners were all girls, last year they were all boys, go figure.



Jessica Burchell, a single mother studying Nursing got high marks for her 3.9 GPA and grasp of the basic concepts of patient care.

Shale Klunnis, a 2015 graduate of Analy received too many awards to list here – What an impressive student.

Jannelle Thode was **Henry's** favorite when, after only three minutes of the interview, he declared her a winner. This young lady came here speaking no English a year ago and became a very articulate and intelligent person. All three are real winners. The \$4,000 scholarships came from the club itself, the Sebastopol Rotary Education Foundation and an anonymous donor (any guesses?).



RYLA

Next up with good news was **Tony Given** who told us about the RYLA conference over the weekend at Westminster Woods. This year it was a gathering of 54 student leaders that receive Rotary training in leadership skills. The kickoff meal for the weekend, on Friday night, was cooked by local Rotarians **Chef Rickey, Tom Boag, and Tom Lambert** (Rumor had it that **Dave Still** also was there), from our club. Assisting also were Barbara Barney, Scott Hensley, Linda Sinkay and Michael McGlothlin from the Sunrise Club. The food for the meal was provided by the **ever-generous Ken Silveira**, of Pacific Market fame. It should be noted that five of the kids were sponsored by our club. **Tony and Tom** attended one of the sessions on "Overcoming Bullying". Both came away with a better understanding of the problems facing kids that are bullied.



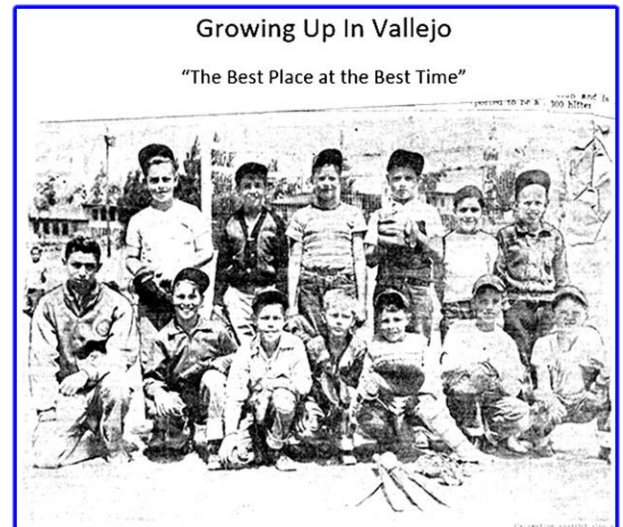


BUSINESS TAG TEAM TALK – JERRY WARREN



Jerry Warren approached the podium to tell us about his illustrious past life (before Rotary and a little during). **Jerry** was born and raised in Vallejo, back when it was a small town. He participated in several sports and still has friends from that time in his life.

To say that **Jerry** received a good higher education is probably a gross understatement.



With a bachelor and master's degree in education from San Jose State, he later attended three years at the University of Santa Clara and University of Guadalajara. His work record reads like the over-achiever that he is, finally ending up at the Kentfield School District where he developed an award-winning Adolescent Sexuality Program.

During his tenure at San Juan Batista school district, he took a bunch of students swimming and just happened to look around to see a small girl at the bottom of the pool.



He pulled her out and began CPR until the emergency crew arrived, saving her life. That is something to remember.

When **Jerry** retired, he moved to Sebastopol and joined our intimate little club in 1999, where he served in many club areas and was finally roped into being **President** for the 2009-2010 year.

Jerry met **Kay** down in Marin and their family grew to five kids and three grandkids with more on the way.



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What question did **Bob Boyd** answer? -Ed.]



ROOKIE SKETCH – ELLEN HARRINGTON



Next up at the podium was **Ellen Harrington**, who wanted to ripen up her green badge to a nice shade of red. This new member to our club has MANY, MANY talents that will benefit us all. **Ellen** majored in music after attending schools in Palo Alto and sings opera (with a huge four octave range) and plays piano.

Her work history includes a stint as a real estate banker and a long term with Hewlett Packard where she ended up supervising a chip production line.



When she retired from HP, she started a catering business, which morphed into teaching cooking, which then led to running fund raising events and floral design. She has served on several boards of non-profits and in 2005 moved to Sonoma County where she became involved with the Luther Burbank Gardens and other non-profits.

After retiring three times, her latest efforts are directed to her new company, Classical Home Presentations, which uses all her past experiences and then some.

Is this talented lady a BIG potential asset to our club??? Which **Committee Chair** will be the first to grab her???



MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS



It seems that 50 years ago was a very active time for members to marry. Celebrating their 50th anniversaries are: **Harry and Jean Polley** on June 17th; **Steve and Terry Beck** on June 18th; and **Dave and Carlene Madsen** on June 19th. WOW, that is some sort of record for us.



THE RAFFLE



While our regular raffle was put on hold because **Prez. Rickey** ran out of playing cards, the winners of the Dine Around Town raffle were announced. **Bob and Julie Cugini** won the big prize of 12 restaurants and 12 bottles of fine wine. **Bob** immediately called out with joy. The absent **Jack Blasco** won two bottles from Russian River Vineyards.



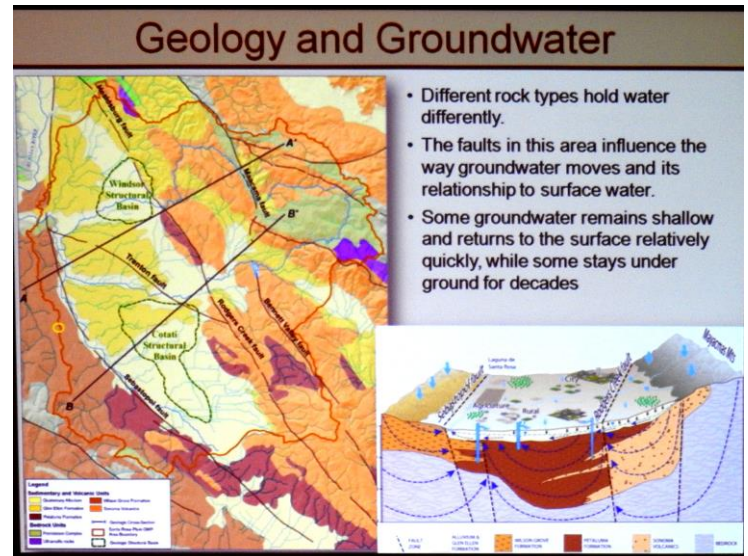
THE PROGRAM



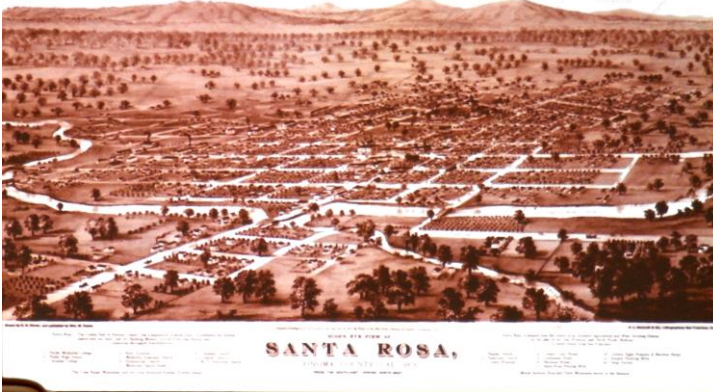
Our speaker for the day was **Wendy Trowbridge**, Director of Restoration for the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation. She thanked Rotary for supporting some of their restoration programs with volunteer support, which they can always use.

Wendy went on to talk about the extent and importance of the Laguna in absorbing runoff water from several creek systems and how the water flows are affected by the soil types in our area.

Sebastopol is blessed with a sandstone formation that is ideal for groundwater accumulation and is one of the few areas in Sonoma County with all its water sourced from groundwater wells.



Everyone needs clean drinking water, something to do with their waste, and protection from flooding.



The Laguna was home to several lakes that were eventually drained to increase farmland. Now the Laguna is home to many animals and flowers that are unique.



THE FINAL BELL -- THE END



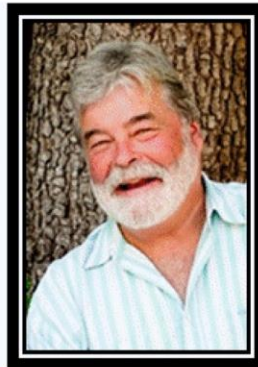
The meeting came to an end with **Rick** saying it was his last meeting and that it was good. The **audience** was in shock, there were mumblings of "say it isn't so" and "he is too young to retire from the position". We all will miss your style and panache,

Rick Wilson. Enjoy life without 50 emails a day!!!



PROGRAM FOR JUNE 24

**"The Debunking of our
Club President"**



**Rick Wilson
June 24, 2016**

***Come to an evening of delicious food, great friends and our club's
premier Debunking for our President Rick!***

Friday, June 24, 2016

5:00 P.M.

Community Church Courtyard

Tickets Cost \$35.00

