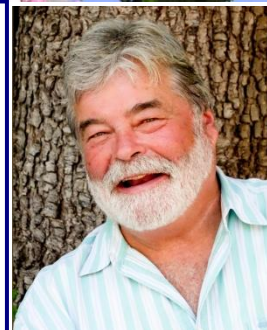


# *The Appleknocker* *Sebastopol Rotary Club's Weekly Bulletin* Scott Holder – Into Thinner Air, Everest, Nepal



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"All the News that Fits We Print"



"Welcome to the Rotary Club of Sebastopol, where the nicest, most caring folks in town meet weekly to foster fellowship, while thinking and acting both locally and globally in an attempt to make our community and our world better places to live."  
- **President Rick Wilson**

The flag salute was led by **Bill Cole** and **Karen Daniels** led a sweet rendition of "sweet land of liberty", aka "Let Freedom Ring!"



This was followed by **Kathy Mayhew's** musings:



"I'm convinced of this: Good done anywhere is good done everywhere. For a change, start by speaking to people rather than walking by them like they are stones that don't matter. As long as you're breathing, it's never too late to do some good." - Maya Angelou.....

Followed by a Nancy Rogers quote: "You never know when your smile, or simple hello, might be all a person needs to feel better about themselves. When the person at the checkout is grumpy and abrupt, I figure they have had a pretty bad day, putting up with lots of unkind and indifferent people. I'm nice to that person - they need someone to be kind. That transfers to all people. Be the person who makes a difference for good."



Visiting Rotarians among us included **Sunny Singer** from the Burbank Noon Rotary Club; missed Sunny's classification, but could it be one of **Pres Rick's** past Fillmore performers gearing up for FANTASMAGORIA: REMEMBER THE 60's?



## 🍎 Future Programs 🍎

**September 11, 2015**

**Speaker:** Oak Dowling  
**Program:** The Story of Charles Lindbergh, American Aviator

**September 18, 2015**

**Speaker:** Tennis Wick  
**Program:** Trends and Change in Sonoma County

**September 25, 2015 - DOG DAY**

**Speaker:** Melissa Dobar  
**Program:** Dog Day and Sonoma Humane Society

**October 2 – FUNDRAISER KICK OFF**

**Speaker:** Rick Wilson, Pres.  
**Chair:** Aldean Noethig  
**Location:** Tent at O'Reilly's

## 🍎 Future Events 🍎

# **Fantasmagoria !!** **October 3, 2015**

**Fireside Chat**  
**September 17 (Thursday)**  
**Location: TBA**

## 🍎 Handy Links 🍎

[Pinot for Polio Form](#)  
[Sebastopol Rotary Website](#)  
[Fantasmagoria - Resources](#)

## 🍎 Miscellany 🍎

**Next Board Meeting**

**Date/Time:** **Tues, Sep. 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Location:** **The Cugini Home**

**MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS –** [jcbiasco@comcast.net](mailto:jcbiasco@comcast.net)  
**On-line Make-Ups:** [www.RotaryEClubOne.org](http://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 !!!**



**Judy McClenaghan** (educator) crossed the Pacific-magoria (aka Kona, the Big Island) to be with us.

Jeff Boal (joined by spouse Jean), Weaverville; this seems to indicate that the Boals will be back in Sebastopol once again! Yes!



**Michael Hixson** introduced our exchange student from South America, Bruna Pelaquim. Bruna was also celebrating her 17<sup>th</sup> birthday!

**Debbie Brooks** introduced her husband, Mike (thus enhancing the Brooks Family's chances to win the day's lottery; unfortunately, Mike would later drop the ball when given the chance to pick the winning card).

**Richard Power** introduced guest Mike Poley.







**Mia Del Prete** brought the youngest guest of the club, her grandchild Emma (4 ½ months). **Mike Long** made sure that the club carried on its tradition of collecting dollars in Emma's name (\$150+).

## 🍎 Announcements 🍎

### ANOTHER FINE DAY IN FANTASMAGORIA

This fast-approaching BIG EVENT (October 3) now has an incredible feast ready. **Aldean Noethig** listed some of the highlights, including steak, Ahi, chicken (plus maple pancakes?), shrimp, a trio of *hors d'oeuvres* --special eats on a special night.

FANTASMAGORIA is a celebration of that generation that some of us remember better than others (the 60's). This is a chef's table, fine dining experience, offering gourmet surf and turf with all the trimmings and a hosted bar. Captain Paisley's Band will serve up the kind of tunes that make one want to move his/her feet, accompanied by a psychedelic light show. Participants get a 'Fillmore Auditorium style' event poster as a remembrance. Spectacular auction items will also always be a big draw for participants.



This is the club's biggest fundraiser of the year --in the big tent behind O'Reilly Media. The event helps us support programs such as Learn to Swim, the dictionary gifts to local 3<sup>rd</sup> graders, Read to Me, Community Rebuilding Together, Overcoming Obstacles awards/scholarships, the Ives Park Peacetown Music series --and much more.

**Michele Kimble** rallied the forces with a FANTASMAGORIC shout, "Let's get social!" Donations for the auction are still needed.

Refer friends and neighbors to [www.sebastopolrotary.com](http://www.sebastopolrotary.com) for valuable information.

## 🍎 The Russ Cunningham Rookie Redoux Sketch 🍎



Is there a statute of limitations on the number of rookie sketches one can address (or the length of that address)? Can a former club president get a re-do? Apparently, **Russ** has a better memory than most. He zeroed in on former (and still?) 'boy wonder' **Brian Langermann**, regarding free lunches, and he challenged **Frank Mayhew** to keep up with his lengthy monologues. In between, **Russ** shared his treks from Minnesota and back to the west coast, his stint at Stanford U., his Board of Directors meeting theories (if there's a third bottle of wine, things go to H-E-Double Hockey Sticks -- Minnesotan for 'Hell'). **Russ** also pointed out that his "Great Getaway" record for raising Rotary \$\$\$ lasted only one year 'til **Bob Cary** and his team passed it by, two decades ago. Sounds like some payback is in line.



## More Announcements



**President Rick** thanked **Mike Long** and his crew for a memorable golf tournament in Guerneville. The **Prez** dared not --in **Russ'** presence --state that this was the best tournament ever. But **the participants** would say it's so.



Speaking of **Frank Mayhew**, the latter would not be denied his Tororo, Uganda report. **Frank** noted that for a few years there appeared to be little learning improvement in the local, rural, four school systems. However, recent efforts by our club and the Tororo Rotary club have resulted in teacher training (a significant improvement), solar energy resources, books, and technology. He also pointed out that our \$12,000 investment led to other Rotary resources that - in fact - have provided the school system with \$48,000 for improvements and growth.

In addition to the Tororo photos, two other illustrations later appeared on the big screen:



**Dave and Carleen Madsen** showed up in Florence, Oregon. Florence, Italy may have been Carleen's dreams, but then the fine might have been a little greater than the \$10 meted out by the **Prez**.

**Mike Long** appeared in a family photo, taken at the wedding of daughter Kyle and her husband Luke. Our **Prez** toyed with the idea of also fining **Mike** since his older daughter Tara's marriage, a 'short' time before. That proposal would double the amount to \$20. However, for the time being, it seems to stand at \$10. [**Mike Long** said he is putting \$100 towards his new son-in-law's Paul Harris. **-(Former AK -Ed., B.R.)**]



## Upcoming Meetings [See Page 2, Left Hand Side. -Ed.]



**Monthly Board Meeting - September 8 - The Cugini Home**  
8845 Grey Street Graton

**September 17 (Thursday) - Fireside Chat (time/place tba)**



## The Raffle



**Mike Brooks** had the lucky ticket – but didn't win...



## **The Program – Scott Holder**



**Tim Moore** introduced Scott Holder, a financial advisor with Edward Jones and Company and someone with a set of modest goals: Climb the seven continents' highest peaks --Kilimanjaro, Denali, Elbrus, Aconcagua, Vinson, Kosciuszko --and Everest. (Note: there's not total agreement on the seven, some believe that there could be a total of eight or even nine in the 'club' --but Everest appears on all lists).

Last April Scott Holder took on Everest, considered the most 'magical' of the magical mountains, whether they be 7, 8 or 9 in number. Such a venture takes years of planning and training. Then once one reaches the base camp, there is a two-month 'stay', in order to build up red blood cells, part of the preparation for the climb. Scott was ready for the challenge -- but no one was prepared for the April 25 earthquake.

That disaster, and a subsequent quake, took 10,000 lives in the Nepal area. Seventeen climbers were among the victims.

Scott shared photos of the Lukla airport that serves Nepal --as well as the climbing enthusiasts hoping to conquer Everest. Those pictures showed a short, shabby airstrip and a dramatic drop from that stretch should a plane over-shoot the runway. He also had photos of Kathmandu, Nepal; the poverty was noticeable. Scott noted that the town is overrun with monkeys. While these primates are photogenic, they also present health and safety problems.

Our speaker talked about the difficulties facing this region -now and for some time to come. Don't be surprised if he is invited back to the club again to speak as his pursuits continue. (As for **Russ Cunningham**, does he get a third chance? Since **President Rick** is a rafting enthusiast, we will have to wait and see.)



## **The Closing Bell – Told at 1:30**



**Photog Robin Maybury**

[See Next weeks' programs below/](#)



## PROGRAM FOR September 11, 2015



September 11, 2015

Oak Dowling, Attorney-At-Law

“The Story of Charles Lindbergh, American Aviator”

Oak Dowling, an attorney, has spent the past five years as an instructor at Dominican University in the subject of Courtroom Drama in the Movies and Theater. In his law classes he has also used courtroom drama to demonstrate legal principles making his classrooms alive!

We will be enjoying his presentation at our September 11 meeting when he shares the inside details of his research of the Lindbergh Kidnapping Case. He has prepared an audio visual display of the maps, the mysterious ladder, timelines and copies of the ransom notes!

Come and join us to share in this exciting historical presentation!!!



## **PROGRAM FOR September 18, 2015**

### **"Trends and Change in Sonoma County"**



**September 18, 2015**

**Tennis Wick, Sonoma County Planning Director**

### **"Trends and Change in Sonoma County"**

**If anything is going to be built in Sonoma County, it's gotta' go through this Department! And the Director of the Sonoma County Permit & Resource Management Department is Tennis Wick, our speaker today. He is a great communicator of the requirements of the PRMD and has helped many people through the circuitous and at times confusing paths of government bureaucracy.**

**Come bring your questions to this meeting and find out how Tennis is dealing with the drought, housing, county buildings and anything else your heart might desire to know. Tennis is a welcomed presence in working towards building positive and lasting developments for Sonoma County.**

**He has been very involved in the community and is also a part owner of the Active Sports Club in Petaluma and the Hen House Brewing Company. He and his wife love endurance sports, cooking and gardening. Take a look at his picture and you know we are in for a vibrant presentation today!!!**

# READING: Rotary Weekly

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



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### [Rotary Youth Exchange is changing lives](#)

Rotary Youth Exchange has been providing intercultural exchange opportunities for high school students since the 1920s. Students become cultural ambassadors for as long as a full academic year, while host families also build peace and international understanding. During a bus trip through the United States in July, Youth Exchange students told us how the program has changed their lives.

- [Read the students' stories](#)
- [Learn about starting an exchange](#)
- [Read blog posts by Rotary Youth Exchange students](#)

JOIN

### End Polio Now

#### Encouraging news from Nepal

Thirty years ago, Rotary sparked the international movement to end polio. With the help of our partners and the efforts of many dedicated volunteers, we've made the world 99.9 percent polio-free. While inspecting polio immunization booths along the India-Nepal border in June, Rotary members visited some of the volunteers who've made this possible. They were encouraged by what they saw.



- [Read a blog post by a member of the inspection team](#)
- [Support the fight to end polio](#)
- [Join a discussion on ending polio](#)

### Member Spotlight

#### Peak performer scales Kilimanjaro

Carole Kimutai grew up seeing her parents help relatives. As a member of the Rotary Club of Nairobi-East, she now enjoys seeing her fellow club members help others in the community. That led her and a team of 38 others from Kenya, Ethiopia, Eritrea, and South Sudan to the top of Mount Kilimanjaro in January. Their five-day climb raised \$40,000 for polio eradication and local projects.



- [Read more about Kimutai](#)
- [Read more stories from the September issue of The Rotarian](#)

### ROTARY GLOBAL REWARDS NOW LIVE

Rotary Global Rewards is a new member benefit program designed to make membership even more rewarding for Rotarians. This exciting program includes discounts on products and services such as travel, car rentals, hotels, dining and entertainment. It's our way of giving back to those who give so much.



- [See the discounts](#)
- [Learn more about the program](#)
- [Visit the Member Center](#)

Rotary Global Rewards: the good you do comes back to you.

### TRACK PROGRESS TOWARD THE 2015-16 PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs can earn the Presidential Citation from Rotary President K.R. Ravindran for achieving goals that strengthen Rotary and clubs. Activities include growing your membership, developing sustainable service projects, giving to The Rotary Foundation, and building awareness of Rotary in your community.

- [Learn more about the Presidential Citation](#)
- [See this year's goals for Rotary clubs, Rotaract clubs, and Interact clubs](#)
- [Track progress using reports in My Rotary](#)

### Exchange ideas

#### Register for Rotary Day at the United Nations

Rotary Day at the UN, 7 November, offers Rotary members and others an opportunity to learn how we work with the United Nations to advance peace and improve the lives of those most in need. Learn more about the annual event and other ways to discuss your ideas with Rotary members around the world.

- [Read about Rotary Day at the United Nations](#)
- [Submit a proposal for a convention breakout session](#)
- [Apply to serve on an RI committee](#)

### 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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