



# The Appleknocker

## Sebastopol Rotary Club's Weekly Bulletin

**Dave Warrender: Climate Change**



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"All the News that Fits We Print"

🍎 **BEFORE THE BELL** 🍎

Our esteemed President and Ringmaster, **Jack Blasco**, wished each and every table a Happy New Year. Nice touch. Light rain was falling, a welcome relief to our continuing drought. Hopefully a portent for the future. After a two week hiatus, everyone seemed to be happy to be back.

🍎 **AT THE BELL** 🍎

Once again, at exactly 12:15, President **Jack** wished us all a HAPPY NEW YEAR! **Bud Daviero** lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance and **JT Martin** lead us in the song, "America the Beautiful". **Harry Polley** gave us the Thought for the Day from Maya Angelou along with a reminiscence of his friendship with the late Gary McFarland. Gary's wife, Tracy, was the first female president of Sebastopol Rotary. His second Thought for the Day was "Friendship just is."



## 🍎 Future Programs 🍎

January 12, 2018

**Speaker:** Iris Jamahl Dunkle  
**Program:** Teaching Kids Local History Through Creative Writing

January 19, 2018

**Speaker:** Katherine Rhinehart  
**Program:** Sonoma County Library

January 26, 2017

**Speaker:** Larry Florin  
**Program:** Affordable Housing

February 2, 2017

**Speaker:** TBA  
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February 9, 2017

**Speaker:** Dr. Judy Sakai  
**Program:** Sonoma State & The North Bay

## 🍎 Future Events 🍎

**CRAB FEED**

**Holy Ghost Hall, February 10, 2018**

## 🍎 Miscellany 🍎

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS—[JackEDunlap@gmail.com](mailto:JackEDunlap@gmail.com)

On-line Make-Ups:

[www.RotaryEClubOne.org](http://www.RotaryEClubOne.org)

Domestic Violence Hotline:

**707-546-1234**

## 🍎 VISITORS AND GUESTS 🍎

There were no visiting Rotarians!

**Sue Engle** introduced O'Neill Keathley, a former Rotarian from Oakland.



**David Schreiber** introduced Barbara Oldershaw from Solar Works who came to listen to our guest speaker, David Warrender.



Another guest who came to hear David was Barbara Moulton. Nick Gurney also attended.



## 🍎 ANNOUNCEMENTS 🍎

Jack reminded fellow Rotarians that it is:

1. Rotary Day at **Redwood Empire Food Bank** on January 18, 9:30-11:30 am.
2. **District 5130 Fire Relief Fund** (great bulletin board on view at the back tables) and the information about donating – [www.larca5130.org](http://www.larca5130.org), with a link on club web page.



Memorial services for Kathleen Noguchi, wife of **Nao**, at the Community Church of Sebastopol, January 20, 1 pm. Memorial donations are requested to be made to the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation where she was a long-time docent. She will be much missed by Rotary of Sebastopol.

**Keller McDonald** listed the Thank You letters from students benefiting from the **Mark Sell Rotary Teacher Grants**. The grants went to 30 public and tax exempt private schools across West Sonoma County with one time grants of \$50-\$500. These grants are funded by 100 % of net proceeds from the **Crab Feed!** Grants were for everything from Cooking equipment to robotics supplies. \$11,326.47 was granted in this Fall's selections. **Keller** held up a book of thank you letters from a kindergarten class that must have taken a month to write, along with numerous other letters. New grants go out in early April. President **Jack** thanked **Keller** with a 4-way coin and super star pin, and acknowledged the Grant committee members.



President **Jack** announced It is **Crab Feed** time – **Saturday, February 10**. There is no advertising for this event. Spread the word among your friends and acquaintances! **On sale now! Buy!** Hopefully your mouth remembers the crab! In other words, let's get those tickets sold!



**Jim Passage** gave a short talk on “What Programa de Becas means to me”. He mentioned that **Tom Lambert** mentioned the program a year ago. Jim made a donation and was matched with a sponsored child. This fund pays for schooling in Mexico since free public schools are practically nonexistent. Jim reported that his sponsored child is in western Mexico. His name is Sergio Mauricio Gonzalez and he is in high school, plays the piano and learning about social circles. Jim is very impressed with the program and his sponsored child who has been warm and welcoming to Jim.

**Steve Zivolich** passed out flyers and explained The Bowl Fundraiser. The Pre-Event ticket purchase, a tax-deductible donation of \$50, ensures first choice of a handmade bowl plus entertainment by Danza Azteca, a free glass of wine, and chips & salsa, plus all activities in the Main Event. The Main Event tickets at \$35 provides you with a handmade bowl PLUS pozole (donated by **Mario’s Mexico Lindo**), tortillas (from La Tortilla Factory), Mexican salad,( from Pacific Market), a surprise dessert, and Mariachi entertainment. One-of-a-kind ceramic bowls have been donated by many talented local potters. Silent Auction items will also be available. Tickets available at [brownpapertickets](http://brownpapertickets). According to Steve, these bowls will survive a nuclear attack. Steve was fined \$10 for the plug. OK, this is also a plug from Lu, an ex- potter and supporter of the Art Center and ceramics studio.

🍎 **THE RAFFLE** 🍎



Once again, **Pres Jack** barked out the words – It’s Raffle Time! Who would win it? Or would it roll over to next week? Pulling the first ticket, #5782, no one claimed it. Pulling another one and announcing the number, **Mark Stevens** calls out he has the first winning number. General laughter sounded throughout the room. Going to the balloon board, he received three darts. First throw – missed! Second throw – hit a white balloon. Yeah! Received an additional \$1!

🍎 **RECOGNITIONS** 🍎

President **Jack** recognized the hard work and tireless devotion of the **Community Volunteer Projects Committee, Ellen Harrington, Steve Beck and Jerry Warren. Ellen and Steve** were on hand to receive a 4-way test coin and a superstar pin.



**Numerous Birthdays!**

**Steve Prandini** (Nov 24) had friends over for Thanksgiving. **Tom Lambert** (Dec 5) walked at Ragle Park, had dinner at Namaste and saw Murder on the Orient Express (of which he said he could not remember who did it and that was a good thing). **Jack Dunlap** celebrated his birthday in India. He also introduced **Marie**, Jack's wife, since **Jack Blasco** failed to do so. **Mike Ferguson** (Dec 20) had family over and dinner at the Union Hotel. **Dick Zimmer** (Dec 20) had two granddaughters to lunch and went to the Exploratorium. **Guenter**

**Meiburg** (Dec 22) worked half a day and spent rest with family with his wife cooking one of his favorite dinners. **Mark McDonell** (Dec 26) hiked Tomales Point. **Hal Kwalwasser** (Jan 1) had friends over and drank scotch. **Tom Dille** (Jan 4) put new tires on his car and then had dinner and whisky at his neighbors.



**Robin Mayberry** on the road. Great picture of him in Barcelona next to a Gaudi statue in Park Güell. He went with his daughter, Charmian.



**Bob Rodgers** and **Rick Wilson** are pictured in a Press Democrat story serving Christmas dinners to 800-900 diners at the Community Church of Sebastopol. Bob has been serving dinner for four years now. Way to go Bob!

**Jack and Ruthie Dunlap** were double fined for their Rotary Friendship Exchange visit to India. They were invited to India by Rotarian friends for a wedding.



*The Best of Sonoma County:* **Meredith Bertacco** and **Dorothy Rodella** were recognized for receiving the Best of Sonoma County awards in their fields and sponsored by the Press Democrat.

A round of applause was given to congratulate them on their achievements.



## 🍎 THE PROGRAM 🍎



This week's speaker, David Warrender, a local Sebastopolian, is a volunteer with the Santa Rosa chapter of Citizens' Climate Lobby. The beginning of the speech was an explanation of how this group met with Rotarian principles. This Lobby is nationwide and accepts all points of view. David stated that there are five times more carbon emissions that 50 years ago.

The Citizens' Climate Lobby has developed a direct response to climate change, a "Carbon Fee and Dividend fee on fossil fuels. This involves placing fees on fossil fuel users, such as steel (coal) and oil amounting to \$100-\$150 a ton including foreign exporters to the US and returning it the households as a dividend.

A presentation slide titled "Rotary's Four Way Test" with the Rotary logo. The slide is divided into two columns. The left column lists four questions, and the right column lists four bullet points under the heading "Rotary Club CCL takes the Four-Way Test".

Rotary's Four Way Test	Rotary Club
1. Is it the <b>TRUTH</b> ?	CCL takes the Four-Way Test <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Climate change is real.</li><li>• The consequences of doing nothing would be very unfair.</li><li>• We can solve climate change by building goodwill and fostering cooperation.</li><li>• Solving climate change will benefit all of us.</li></ul>
2. Is it <b>FAIR</b> to <b>ALL</b> concerned?	
3. Will it build <b>GOODWILL</b> and better friendships?	
4. Will it be <b>BENEFICIAL</b> to <b>ALL</b> concerned?	

According to David, with higher carbon tax, users will move to renewable energy which will cut jobs, save lives (pollution) and provide income monthly of around \$288 to ordinary households to cover the increase in the price of gasoline and other products affected by the tax.

There are 300 chapters and 61 members of Congress who endorse this idea. They are promoting this idea with outreach, letters to editors and tabling and talking with members of Congress.



## FUTURE PROGRAMS

### **January 12, 2017: Iris Jamahl Dunkle- Teaching Kids Local History Through Creative Writing**



Iris Jamahl Dunkle is the 2016-2017 Poet Laureate of Sonoma County, CA. Her second poetry collection, *There's a Ghost in this Machine of Air*, is about the untold history of Sonoma County, CA, and was published in November 2015 by Word Tech Editions. Her third collection, *Interrupted Geographies*, will be published by Trio House Press in 2017. Her debut poetry collection, *Gold Passage*, was selected by Ross Gay to win the 2012 Trio Award and was published by Trio House Press in 2013. Her chapbooks *Inheritance* and *The Flying Trolley* were published by Finishing Line Press in 2010 and 2013. Her poetry, essays and creative non-fiction have been published widely in numerous publications including *Fence*, *Calyx*, *Catamaran*, *Poet's Market 2013*, *JMWW*. and *Chicago Quarterly Review*. Her essay, "Yellow Dahlias" was nominated for a pushcart prize. She is currently writing a new biography of Jack London's wife, Charmian Kittredge London. Dunkle teaches writing and literature at Napa Valley College and is on the staff of the Napa Valley Writers conference. She received her B.A. from the George Washington University, her M.F.A. in Poetry from New York University, and her Ph.D. in American Literature from Case Western Reserve University. She currently resides with her family in Northern California.

### **January 19, 2017: Katherine Rhinehart- Sonoma County Library**



Katherine J. Rhinehart received her master's degree in History from Sonoma State University in 1994. For the past 21 years, Ms. Rhinehart has worked in various positions within the fields of Cultural Resource Management and Historic Preservation and has been employed by the Sonoma County Library, where has worked in the Sonoma County History and Genealogy Department, since 2002.

Katherine is the author of *Petaluma: A History in Architecture*, a contributor to the *Celebrating Petaluma* published by the Petaluma Sesquicentennial Committee and the Petaluma Visitors Program. Ms. Rhinehart is a regular contributor to the *Argus Courier*, has her own business specializing in historic research, writing, and exhibit coordination and lecturing; was named Petaluma's Good Egg in 2007 and is past president of the Petaluma Museum Association.

### **January 26, 2017: Larry Florin- Affordable Housing**



Larry brings over thirty years' experience in real estate, community and economic development in both the public and private sector to Burbank Housing. Most recently Larry served as the Director of Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs for Napa County. He managed Napa County's affordable housing programs as well as the county's Housing Authority and community and economic development activities.