

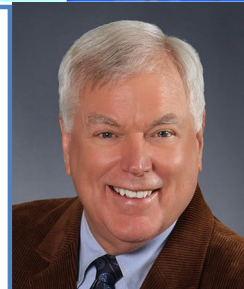


**Karissa Kruse Sonoma Winegrowers**



**BE THE INSPIRATION**

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"All the News that Fits We Print"

🍎 **BEFORE THE BELL** 🍎

Can it be true? Please tell me it isn't fake news. Has the day we thought would never come actually arrived? Yes it is true. Today is our beloved **President Larry Ford's** final Friday meeting! How time flies when you are having...fun? As I look around, half the club is in mourning and half the club is pouring champagne and blowing up party balloons. However, it is 12:15 so awaaaay we go!

🍎 **AT THE BELL** 🍎

But wait! Not so fast! Here we are at the final meeting, the culmination, the climax, and we can't hear a thing.



We have no audio. Not one of our expensive microphones is working. I believe we have stumbled into an unintentional mess-up meeting, and at the last meeting of the year no less! Or is it more of the same old, same old? Once again, **President Larry's** reality becomes stranger than fiction

What to do?  
 Beginning with  
 the pledge,  
 everyone please

*Speak up.*

Opening song: Soon-to-be President **Keller McDonald** led us in a rousing rendition of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow." Who do you suppose he was talking about?

**Pauline Pellini** shared this brief word of anonymous wisdom: "No one rises to low expectations." It took us 12 months to figure that out?



## 🍎 Future Programs 🍎

**June 28, 2019**

**DARK – for Debunking**

**July 5, 2019**

**DARK – Summer Vacation, 4th**

**July 12, 2019**

**TBA – 1<sup>st</sup> Program of 2019-20**

## 🍎 Events 🍎

**Tamales Construction Parties**  
**@ Mario's Mexico Lindos Mexico Lindo**  
**July, 06 9:00 AM - ???**

**DEBUNKING**  
**June 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Tamales Construction Parties**  
**@ Mario's Mexico Lindos Mexico Lindo**  
**July 13 and 20, 9:00 AM - ???**

**Fall Fundraiser**  
**October 26th**

## 🍎 Miscellany 🍎

**MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS–JackEDunlap@gmail.com**

**On-line Make-Ups:**

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

**Domestic Violence Hotline:**

**707-546-1234**

**[sebastopolrotary.com](http://sebastopolrotary.com)**

## 🍎 ROTARIANS & GUESTS 🍎

**President Larry** has obtained a bright orange safety cone to use as a megaphone. Wow! This just gets better and better!



. Visiting Rotarians: None. What do they know that we don't know?

Guests

**Steve Beck** introduced Joyce Oneko, who will soon be receiving Rotary information.



**Dana Moises** introduced Laura Van Gorder who also is in line for Rotary Information.

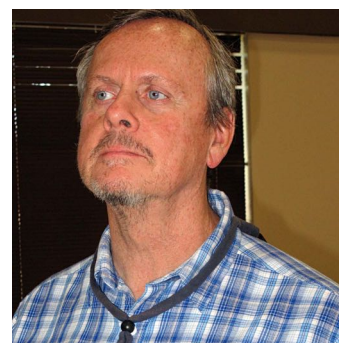






**Jim Passage** introduced a guest from Japan, Momoka Soejima. Wonder what she thought of the megaphone?

**Steve Prandini** had as his guest, Jim Blake.



**Jerry Warren** introduced Steve Dutton and our speaker for the day, Karissa Kruse. Considering the audio conditions, I hope she doesn't leave early.



## 🍎 ANNOUNCEMENTS 🍎

### Tamales, Tamales, Tamales!!

Tamale construction clinics are continuing at **Mario Ramos's** Mexico Lindo restaurant in Graton. We could use 12 people at each session. Next two gatherings are July 13 and 20. Meet at the restaurant at 9:00 A.M.

#### Selling Tamales:

Remember that our tamales are being sold every Sunday at the Sebastopol Farmers Market and now at the Wednesday Peacetown Concerts. Those sales will continue until Aug. 28. Sign up to sell at: <http://signup.com/go/Qewtcw>. And remember the proceeds from this sale are going for new park equipment at Libby Park.

Also, you can now order your own hand-crafted tamales at our weekly meeting - \$10 for chicken, pork or vegetarian in packs of three. .

**TAMALE UNIVERSITY:**  
**Tamale Making 101**  
 Professors Ramos and McGlothlin  
 Lab Sessions Saturday 9 AM- 12 PM  
 Mexico Lindo, Graton  
 June 15th and 22nd  
 July 13th and 20th  
 12 fabricators needed at each session  
<http://signup.com/go/Qewtcw>




The Two Amigos

Rotary  
Club of Sebastopol

#### Committee Sign Ups:

Incoming President **Keller** reports that over 60% of Sebastopol Rotarians have signed up for a committee. But you 40% need not despair. There is still time to sign up. Committee lists are available at the meeting. Of course this year, working on AV and Power Point has been particularly exciting!

#### Redwood Empire Food Bank:

The monthly work party will meet at the Food Bank on Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 – 11:30 A.M. **Jerry Warren** has more information. This will be our last work day at the Food Bank until the Fall, so join us



## RECOGNITIONS



**Richard Power** has returned from his trek on the Camino de Santiago in Spain. This ancient path has been walked by thousands of Pilgrims over the years and can be a life-changing experience...especially for your feet! The Camino is 500 miles and can take up to five weeks to traverse. Richard was not quite that ambitious, but he did say it was an experience not to be missed. Oh, and it cost him \$5.



Congratulations to **Peggy Rogers** who has been appointed to our county's Commission on the Status of Women. She has been a dynamic and passionate advocate on issues such as domestic violence and will no doubt be a great addition to the Commission.

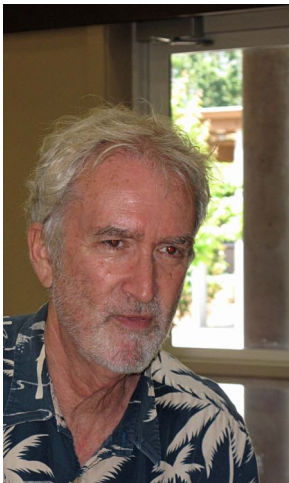


**Tom Boag** and Power Point: Truly **Tom** deserves hazardous duty pay for his willingness to work with **President Larry** on PowerPoint during this Rotary Year. With Bruce Springsteen, Tom can sing sincerely about “*One Step Up and Two Steps Back.*” **Larry** thanked him for his work and invited him to come forward and cut Larry’s tie in half. Apparently, this is similar to a ritual observed when a pilot successfully completes his first solo flight. We weren’t told what happens if a pilot fails to complete that flight. But somehow Tom did make it through the year, so he earned the right to cut the tie. Thanks, **Tom**, for stopping with the tie! And thanks for all your good work.



### Birthdays:

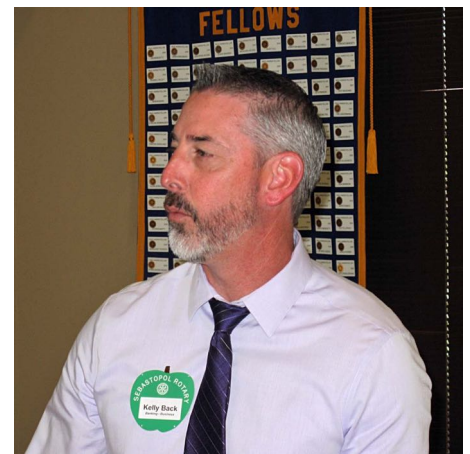
**Cindy Carter-Flamm** – June 10. She spent her birthday with **Rick** in Liverpool celebrating the beginnings of a little band known as the Beatles. More on that trip in a moment.



**Steve Zivolich** – June 12. He returned to Bolinas for a day of surfing at that same location where he suffered a heart attack. I guess you just can’t keep a good man down.

### Anniversaries:

**Kelly and Laura Thibodeau-Back** – May 31. In between graduations and other activities with children, they did go out for a nice celebration dinner.



**Steve and Terry Beck** – June 18 – 53 years. They spent the day exploring areas of Sonoma County where they had never been and finished with dinner at a favorite restaurant.

**Dave and Carleen Madsen** – June 19 – also 53 years. They were in St. Helena for a grandson's baseball game. Then later celebrated with a dinner in Sonoma. Congratulations all!



**Rick Wilson** shared some details of a recent excursion with **Cindy**. They were in Helsinki, Copenhagen and stopped in on the R.I. convention in Hamburg. They went on to England and visited London, and then made the pilgrimage to Liverpool, where they visited the early haunts of the Beatles. Perhaps not the Camino, but a spiritual experience nonetheless. Easily worth the \$5 fine.

## 🍎 RAFFLE 🍎

Raffle, Raffle. Raffle: Ladder Ball, Bolo Ball or whatever. It ends today!

It would seem that **Dan Rasmus** had the winning ticket...or was he the only person who bought a ticket. But he was the one who came forward. But was it **Dan**? Or was it **Larry Ford**? Or was it *Mister Rogers* dressed like **Larry Ford**? Come to Debunking on June 29<sup>th</sup> to learn the answer! Our mystery winner – boys and girls, can you say Bolo? – after a thorough explanation of the game from **President Larry**, managed one ball around a ring, one around our photographer and one into the audience. Boys and girls, can you say oops?





## THE PROGRAM

**Jim Passage** introduced our speaker, Karissa Kruse. She explained that the Winegrowers is a trade organization promoting Sonoma County as a world-class wine region with the mission of protecting and preserving Sonoma County agriculture and with an emphasis on quality and sustainability. Over one million acres of agriculture has been lost in California over the past five years.



We have 1800 grape growers in Sonoma County, 80% of whom farm on less than 100 acres. 60,000 acres of land, 6% of the land mass in the county, are planted in grapes. We are also a county of small wineries, with 71% bottling less than 6000 cases a year. 85% are family-owned businesses. The county has 19 AVA's, determined by soil, climate, elevation and historical significance. The first vineyards in the county were planted in 1812 on the coast by Russian fur traders and Spanish missionaries, hence the Fort Ross AVA. First winery – Buena Vista in 1857.

The great variety of climate and soil conditions in our county - think of the heat in Alexander Valley and the fog and coolness of Sebastopol – means that a wide variety of grapes can be grown. We have 44 red varieties planted and 22 whites. On top of that are the blends produced by creative winemakers. Steve's dad, Warren Dutton, was the visionary who first planted chardonnay in our area. Of course, the "experts" said it would never work.

Recent fires had minimal impact on our grape production. Only 4% of the vineyards were in fire areas, and less than 500 acres were damaged. In fact, the vineyards acted as firebreaks and helped to minimize destruction. But the impact on tourism is still being felt. The Sonoma County Winegrowers organization is spending a lot of time and money to convince people that we are still making wine and that we are not out of business. The issue is overcoming incorrect perceptions.



Karissa said that the California drought had little effect on wine production. While Sonoma County had less rain, it still received enough for grapes, which use water very efficiently. Steve Dutton added that more and more growers are also dry farming their grapes. In an effort to address the effects of climate change – don't share this with Donald Trump! – farmers, winemakers, scientists and concerned community members have formed a Sonoma county think tank - the Sonoma County Center for Agricultural Sustainability. This group is studying possible impacts of climate change and how agriculture can respond.

Karissa added a final word on social sustainability. 30% of our farmers provide housing for their workers. They do better on affordable housing than our more urban areas. 1150 units now exist and more are under construction. Grape growers have even now formed a foundation to support the families of agricultural workers in our county.

Unfortunately, with no audio, Karissa could not show a video she had prepared, but she persevered and did a great job. It would have been easy to continue past 1:30 – very entertaining and informative.



## THE FINAL BELL



**President Larry** had prepared a final slide, thanking Rotary for his year. But when he hit the PowerPoint button, all we saw was a blank screen. Were we surprised? Welcome to Larry Land. But then, in a moment of amazing grace, the thank you slide appeared! Meeting adjourned.



## AFTER THE BELL



DEBUNKING – JUNE 29

*Mister Rogers* in a white dental coat? Friends, that is only the beginning. Come to Debunking on June 29<sup>th</sup> at the Sebastopol Center for the Arts. Great food – from Mario, great company, and a fun time as we wish a mostly fond farewell to **President Larry**. Only \$45. And we promise that hardly anyone will be harmed during the production. Drill...did someone say drill?

**Trade Path Tools Presented**







## Friendship Dinners



Does this look like fun?  
YOU really  
been there.



Or What?  
should have

Still's, Jacob's, Wilson's, Blasco's, Frazier's 6/15 and 6/22





## Rotary Club of Sebastopol – Board Report Summary – June 20, 2019

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE JUNE 2019 – Our District Governor, Barb Spangler, charged the incoming presidents during our President Elects' Training Seminar to "Do what matters" and support RI President Barry Rassin's strategic priorities: 1) Support and Strengthen Clubs, 2) Focus and Increase Humanitarian Service, and 3) Enhance Public Image and Awareness. I recognized that it was a tall order and I initially struggled with imagining what activities we could institute to fulfill this mandate. Even more, who among the membership would shoulder these projects? Now I look back on this past year with a profound admiration for the diversity of talent and the enthusiasm of our members. The reality is we have been doing this for years and very often with the same people. The reward that perpetuates this magic is the satisfaction of seeing our effort improving our community and ultimately, ourselves. Yes, we as individuals can make a difference but collectively, we do even greater things! Go ahead, sign up for that committee and experience the LOVE and COMRADERY of our Rotary family!

My gratitude to the Directors and Officers who make things happen:

**Jim Passage**, Club Service

**Aleia Coate**, Club Activities

**Peggy Rogers**, Community Service

**Hal Kwalwasser**, Youth and Vocational Service

**Lu Frazier**, International Service

**Jack Blasco**, Past President

**Keller McDonald**, President Elect

**Jack Dunlap**, Secretary

**Ken Jacobs**, Treasurer

**Larry Ford, President 2018-2019**



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[You can see the full Directors' reports at

### COMMUNITY SERVICE AREA – DIRECTOR PEGGY ROGERS:



'Tis the end of a great year of accomplishments. All Rotary Club members have contributed mightily to a very appreciative community and world. Thank you for all your commitment to making our small space on this planet a more joyful place to live. Thank you to all who chaired, co-chaired, and volunteered on the many committees. **Peg Rogers**, Director Community Service

FAMILY SAFETY / DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS COMMITTEE (Co-Chairs: **Cory Maguire**, **Les Crawford**) – October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Two programs presented to the club during October, Toolbox Social Emotional Learning (SEL) program. District Grant approved for pre-school implementation teaching resiliency, compassion, and conflict resolution, trained Rotarians, attend overviews. Provided funds to support <https://community-matters.org/programs-and-services/safe-school-ambassadors> at Anly High School. Weekly handouts of posters educating public

about domestic violence and crisis number if you need help. 707-546-1234. **Cory Maguire** adds: "We supported the one-day Anly High School Coaches and Athletes diversity training. The District Grant for \$2,350 is in the final stages of filling out the report forms. [SEE UPDATE IN FAMILY SAFETY / DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS COMMITTEE – NEXT PAGE] The project, "The Toolbox" for pre-K students has been completed. Club presentations by **President Larry** and **Dana Moises** as well as a one-hour learning session by the creator, **Mark Clement** for 20 plus Rotarians and educators was held. Many meetings with pre-K teachers and administrators seeking their input on program modifications for the pre-K children has been completed by the Dovetail staff. **Peggy** attended a 4-hour training of all the teachers and counselors and administrators from the YWCASC therapeutic pre school for possible fall implementation."

MARK SELL ROTARY TEACHER GRANT COMMITTEE (Chair: **Jack Blasco**) – Awarded \$15,169 (38 grants at 21 schools) in the fall round and \$24,000 in the spring.

DICTIONARY COMMITTEE (Chair: **Paul Yeomans**) – Volunteer Rotarians delivered dictionaries to all the third-grade students in the Sebastopol area.

LEARN WITH ME COMMITTEE (Chair: **Linda Irving**) – Three Rotary volunteers among many community volunteers tutored a total of 1,000 hours to more than 60 students.

CRAB FEED FUNDRAISER (Co-Chairs: **Scott Briggs** and **Patrick Dirden**) – Sold out both seatings, funded many teachers' small projects. **Patrick Dirden** adds "We're proud to say that the Crab Feed raised over \$24,000 for the Mark Sell Rotary Teacher Grants Program. I will be meeting with **Scott Briggs** and **Nao Noguchi** before the end of the Summer to start planning the 2020 Crab Feed. We plan on selling tickets by November. We will be working with the sponsorship committee to get some off our overhead costs underwritten."

LEARN TO SWIM COMMITTEE (Co-Chairs: **Greg Jacobs** and **Rick Wilson**) – Served over 400 Sebastopol Area Second Graders, with over 100 volunteers; Received a \$6,000 donation plus \$150 towards swim fins.



COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE (CHAIR: **Linda Johnson**) – Community Grants totaling over \$34,000 – of funds raised at our Fall Gala – are finalized and checks sent. I would like to present to the club the grants that were approved and how they can assist by sharing dates of open grants.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER PROJECTS COMMITTEE (Co-Chairs: **Steve Beck, Diana Rich**) – Peace Garden at the Sebastopol Center for the Arts completed with Rotary signage; Took on massive cemetery clean up; painting and cleaning up of a trailer in Park Village Trailer Park; rebuilt library benches; yard work at the YWCA home; Laguna maintenance project completed – much needed work and included several Rotaract students and Rotarians; contributed to fire rebuild with plantings.

PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION: (Chairs: **Henry Alker, Steve Zivolich**) – Funded subscriptions to the Peace Studies Digest for libraries at Analy and El Molino high schools.

GALA (FALL FUNDRAISER) 2018 (CHAIR: **Keller McDonald**) – New in 2018, held at the Santa Rosa Golf and Country Club. Our major fund raiser that funded our projects this year. Many hands made light work. Net \$86,000 plus.

REDWOOD FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERS (Volunteer Coord.: **Jerry Warren**) – Many Rotarians worked once a month to repackage food for the Redwood Empire Food Bank. On one Thursday, in 2 hours, we packaged 2,400 lbs. of food – Equal to 2,000 meals for our neighbors in need. We did this every month from Sept through June.

TOOLBOX DISTRICT GRANT (**President Larry Ford and Keller McDonald**, Responsible Assignees) – [See also above under

**FAMILY SAFETY / DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS COMMITTEE – [UPDATE: Jennifer Strong, District 5130 Grants Chair just reported that she has received the District grant final report and it is in good order. She has authorized issuing a grant reimbursement check in the amount of \$2,250. The report was written by Keller McDonald and was driven by Community Service Director Peggy Rogers.]**

PEACE GARDEN (Chair: Julie Cugini) – [See above in COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER PROJECTS COMMITTEE]

MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT 5130 COMMITTEE (Contact: **Tom Boag**) – 30 Rotarians trained as neighborhood facilitators. Several have active Map Your Neighborhood programs going.

## **VOCATIONAL / YOUTH SERVICE AREA – DIRECTOR HAL KWALWASSER:**

INTERACT (Chair/Coordinator: **Barbara Bickford**):

Twin Hills Interact 2018-2019 Recap (Dan Rasmus): The club raised and spent nearly \$2,000 during the year. The money came from: Mary's Pizza Dine and Donate, solicitations from school families, and the Springtime Popsicle Sale. The money went to: \$300 to Carson Pforsich Rehabilitation Fund, \$950 to School Families in Need during the holidays, \$200 to Local Little League Snack Shack near Laguna to recover from floods, and \$500 to the Super Playground Rebuild fund. The main volunteer events were: Laguna Foundation Rotary Work Day, Coat Drive at Twin Hills for the homeless shelter in Santa Rosa, and Rotary Adopt-A-Family during Christmas.

Next year's officers have been elected for 2019-20. Also, **Pauline** will move over to Twin Hills and co-chair with **Dan** as her granddaughter moves to Twin Hills. We are excited to take advantage of **Pauline's** experience and amazing success she had with Brook Haven Interact! Nicole Elwood remains the Twin Hills Teacher Sponsor. Twin Hills Interact will begin its 8<sup>th</sup> year.

Brook Haven Interact 2018-2019 Recap (Pauline Pellini): "Brook Haven Interact had the best year ever!!! I had amazing kids. They helped the club with fundraisers, they learned *Robert's Rules of Order*, they had successful fundraisers. The club raised \$3,500 and – at the end of the year – they nominated charities and non-profits to receive the proceeds" \$1,000 to Earl Baum Center for the Blind, \$500 to the international project – Keeping Girls in School, and \$500 each to: The Humane Society, CERES, Sebastopol Christian Church Homeless Project, and the Super Playground Project.

They elected officers for 2019-20 and, at the last assembly of the school year the current officers introduced their replacements. We wrapped up the year with a pizza party. My fantastic teacher advisor, Jeff Stucker, is retiring. I have asked him to become a member of our club and become the Rotary Advisor! He does sound interested."

OVERCOMING OBSTACLES AWARD (Co-Chairs: **Tom Boag, David Schreibman, and Hal Kwalwasser**) – **Tom Boag** reports that we had a highly successful luncheon with our six honorees. Moreover, the morning session speakers were well received, and they generated considerable emotion from the students. The objective of healing, as well as recognizing, seemed quite evident this year. With five extra Sponsors and additional generous contributions, the scholarship amounts were raised to \$1,600 for all students and \$2,600 for one selected student. A Commentary: "*There are extraordinary children in our community who need our help*" was published in the Sonoma West Times and News edition for 5/9. Scholarship



checks have been distributed to the three high schools and several OOA Committee members will make presentations at the high school awards events. A recap meeting was held to review this year's program and propose changes for next year. The OOA 2020 process begins again in September.

**YOUTH EXCHANGE (Co-Chairs: Jackie Moreira, Katy Spyрка, Aleia Coate)** – Current outbound Natasha in Switzerland will be home soon. Current inbound Laura goes home to Austria July 9. Both have mixed emotions: wanting to extend their experience but anxious to reunite with friends and family at home.

Outbound for this coming Rotary year, Fay, is going to Denmark and inbound Anni is coming here from Finland, both in August.

All our committee members will continue to serve and our budget request is the same as last year. **Katy** and **Aleia** are co-chairs for next year and **Jackie** will be inbound counselor with **Yvette** as outbound counselor.

**SRJC SCHOLARSHIPS (Chair: Scott Briggs)** – **Scott Briggs** reports that the committee completed candidate selections in May and then conducted interviews to select three winners by end of May.

**CAREER FAIR ANALY HS (Chair: Tom Lambert)** – No new report.

**COOL KIDS CAMP (Chair: Robin Maybury)** – Cloverleaf Ranch has largely recovered from the fires this year. It is hosting the full compliment of campers that District 5130 agreed to support (30). That is up from 20 last year.

One challenge for the Ranch is the price they charge. The current \$500 per child they charge Rotary causes them to run at a loss. The committee is going to propose that the cubs supporting the project agree to \$600 per child for next year, or an \$1,800 commitment from us.

**Robin** does report that the committee continues to struggle to turn the committee into a District Committee. The logistical functions continue at Santa Rosa East Rotary, and he thinks that we would do better with a broader commitment to handling these functions. **Robin** is going to organize a visit to the ranch for new members.

**FINANCIAL LITERACY (Co-Chairs: Tim Moore and David Schreiber)** – **David Schreiber** conducted a Financial Literacy class at Analy High School.

**HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH CONTEST (Chair: Richard Power)** – Cancelled due to mis-communication with school.

**INTERACT ADOPT A FAMILY (Chair: Pauline Pellini)** – The event occurred in December 2018.

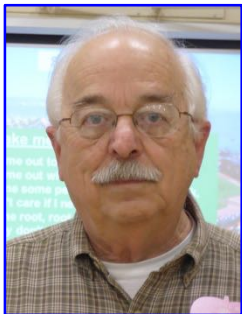
**ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA) (Chair: Cindy Carter)** – The camp has been cancelled for 2019 to allow for restructuring.

**TRADE PATH (VOCATIONAL) AWARDS (Chair: Rick Williams)** – In lieu of the traditional Trade Path Awards, the SREF working group on finding its significant project put together a luncheon to honor the five students from WSCUHSD who are currently enrolled in the North Bay Builders Construction Corps. The students were not only recognized; they received tools and tool belts they will need in their trades. The students were enthusiastic about the recognition and the tools and belts, and the club members in attendance seemed to appreciate the students' enthusiasm. SREF supported the cost of the three of the sets of belts and tools, the Trade Path money covered one, and **Rick Williams** gave the money necessary for the fifth set.

Going forward: If SREF winds up deciding to support bringing Construction Corps to West County, I think that we will convert our traditional recognitions into some form of annual recognition for those participating in the program.

Tool presentations were made at high school events and were very well received. The program received publicity in Sonoma West News.

## CLUB SERVICE AREA – DIRECTOR JIM PASSAGE:



**AUDIO VISUAL COMMITTEE [Chair: Ron Puccinelli]** – The A/V Committee is pleased to report very successful support of the 4-Way Fest District Conference in Reno and the currently festering development of a skit for **President Larry's** debunking. The current chair is also pleased to announce an upgrade to the leadership for the A/V committee as **Paul Thielen**, another **has-been Past President**, who will yank the reigns from the current committee chair, **has-been Past President Ron Puccinelli**, to lead the committee off into the sunset to greater glory to the tune of the victory March from *Monty Python's Flying Circus*. All in favor say "AYE".

**PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE [Chair: Hal Kwalwasser]** – We had a highly successful month. We got out press releases on SRJC Scholarships and Trade Paths, and both got picked up by Sonoma West and the Gazette. Also, I'm not sure whether I noted **Larry's** op-ed on Overcoming Obstacles, which ran early last month. Upcoming, I've got the annual revision of the website and a final summary press release. Also, I think I'm going to have some people join me on the committee this year, and I'll spend the summer breaking them in.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE [Chair: David Schreiber]** – **David** reports: We have two people ready for Rotary Information and those will be scheduled when **Rick Wilson** returns from Europe on June 17<sup>th</sup>. He is going to try to both at the same time. Both have attended many meetings and are likely new members. We are currently coordinating the people who have asked to join the committee and those who will remain.

**APPLEKNOCKER COMMITTEE [Chair: David Still]** – The AppleKnocker has been consistently published all year with great reviews.



CLUB HISTORY COMMITTEE [Chair: **Tom Boag**] – **Tom Boag** is requesting help in 2019-20 from additional members – including AppleKnocker and Webpage Editors.

BIRTHDAY CALLER [Chair: **Lu Frazier**] – No new report.

GREETERS [Chair: **Rick Wilson, Robin Maybury**] – **Rick Wilson** and **Bob Cugini** hold the fort at all meetings.

PHOTOGRAPHY ROTO-PHOTO COMMITTEE [Chair-Wrangler: **Harvey Henningsen**] – All months in the 2019-2020 year have been filled with **talented photographers** who will continue to produce incredible imagery for our weekly Award-Winning AppleKnocker newsletter.

SCRIBES COMMITTEE [Chair-Wrangler: **Patrick Dirden**] – “Very happy with the caliber of writers we have had this year. I’m working on securing writers for the 2019-2020 Rotary year. Starting with the same writers we had this year.”

PROGRAMS COMMITTEE [Chair: **Jørgen Holst**] – **Jørgen** reports: “Speakers are covered until new season.”

SERGEANT AT ARMS [Chair: **Nao Noguchi**]: “Nothing new to report ...In spite of the earlier predictions of imminent failure by some people, standing microphones during the Q & A session after the presentations seemed to be working as intended.”

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE [Chair: **Linda Johnson**] – No new report

Happy Hour Committee [Chair: **Meredeth Bertacco**] – No new report.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE [Chair: **Cory Maguire**] – No new report

WEBSITE COMMITTEE [Chair: **Robin Maybury**] – No new report

## CLUB ACTIVITIES AREA – DIRECTOR ALEIA COATE: -



CLUB PICNIC (Co-Chairs: **Bob Cugini** and **David Still**) – No new report. Picnic happened

GOLF TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE (Chair: **Richard Petersen**) – No new report.

TOUR D’ORGANICS REST STOP (Chair: **Torrey Olson**) – *Tour D’Organics* cancelled this year.

HAPPY HOURS (WAS ROTARY AFTER HOURS) (Chair: **Meredeth Bertacco**) – No new report.

APPLE BLOSSOM PARADE FLOAT (Chair: **Jack Blasco**) – No new report. Float happened.

DEBUNKING (Chair: **Richard Power**) – Debunking will be June 29<sup>th</sup> – Please get your ticket, it’s going to be a fun evening...celebrating **President Larry’s** great year as president and all the accomplishments of the club!!

FRIENDSHIP DINNERS COMMITTEE (Co-Chairs: **Julie Cugini, Cindy Carter-Flamm, David Still**) – Last night of Friendship Dinners are this Saturday, the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

HOLIDAY PARTY (Chair: **Cindy Carter-Flamm**) – No new report, event occurred in December.

SUPER BOWL BOARD (Co-Chairs: **Aleia Coate** and **Torrey Olson**) – Super Bowl Board happened.

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM (Chair: **Mike Ferguson**) – No new report.

CLUB PHOTO (Chair: **Harvey Henningsen**) – No new report. Club Photo is finished and posted on website.

PEDAL 4 POLIO (Chair: **Bob Rogers**) – No new report.

SANTA ROSA SYMPHONY GROUP (CHAIR: **Jim Passage**) – No new report.

## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE AREA – DIRECTOR LU FRAZIER:

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (Chair: **Dan Rasmus**) – \$13,580 donated to Polio Plus; \$107,280 donated to The Rotary Foundation; \$27,220 donated to an Area of Focus (not counted toward DDF). Total \$148,080 donated by club members to make the world a better place. 70 members donated this year.

WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE (WCS) (Chair: **Bob Rogers**) – See previous months’ reports – update:

2) Senegal Cervical Cancer Screening – The Senegal Cancer Screening Global Grant lead person, Andrew Dykens of the Chicago club, responded to Bob Rogers offer to provide an additional \$1,000 to fully fund their grant. He does not need funds from our club and is pursuing other solutions.

6) Puerta Vallarta Sur Water Filter Project – Water filters in Puerto Vallarta and Uganda projects still in play.

PROGRAMMA DE Becas (Chair: **Dorothy Rodella**) – Completed for t

