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"All the News that Fits We Print"



BEFORE THE BELL



How can this be? Is this Jaws XXI – Rotary version? Just when you thought it was safe to go back into the Rotary waters who should appear prepared to devour every dollar in sight but **Jack Blasco**! "Something's happening here; what it is ain't exactly clear." Did the debunking somehow not work? Have we all fallen into a diabolical time warp? Oh well...here we go.



AT THE BELL



: While the rest of us were speechless, Ann Hill had the presence of mind to remember the words to, and lead us in, The Pledge of Allegiance.

Steve Beck then led "America the Beautiful"





Future Programs



September 21, 2018

Matt Stevens

Sonoma - Marin Area Rail Transit

September 28, 2018

M.E.N. Group

Men Evolving Non-Violently



Future Events



Fall Gala

Saturday, October 27th

Santa Rosa Golf & Country Club



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Bob Cugini shared these words from Winston Churchill:

“Character may be manifest in the great

moments, but made in the small moments.”



VISITORS AND GUESTS



. Anyone...anyone? No guests. What do they know that we don't know?

Visiting Rotarians: Not exactly a Rotarian, but Michael was introduced as a stand-in for **Michael – Ferguson** that is.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Where in the world is **President Larry**? **Acting President Jack** informed us that **Larry** and spouse, Gerry, flew up to Pendleton, Oregon, for the annual Pendleton Bar Crawl. No, it is actually the Pendleton Round-Up which is a rodeo. And in best rodeo tradition, it would seem our President knows how to tie one on. Thus the renewed *Reign of Terror* will thankfully last only one week.

Henry Alker shared that this year's recognitions at the Sebastopol Peace Wall will be on Saturday, Sept. 15.

OCTOBER GALA FUND-RAISER AND AUCTION!!!

October 27th will soon be here and wonderful new auction items are appearing every day. Such as: Cooking Lessons with **Pierre** at the **Ewalds** country home...translator provided; A week in Nuevo Vallarta – luxury on the beach. And don't forget the Gala raffle – only 100 tickets sold at \$100 each. The winner gets to choose from four wonderful vacation packages.

Also, more wine is needed for the Silent Auction. If you have wine connections or can help provide wine, contact **Ellen Harrington** or **Gene Nelson**

Redwood Food Bank work day – September 27th, 9:30 – 11:30 A.M. This is a great ongoing project of our club. Contact **Jerry Warren** for more details.

Rotary Day at the Laguna Environmental Center. This is another ongoing project. Join us for a clean-up day at this vital community resource.

Mark Sell Teacher Mini-Grants: Applications for grants will be received from September 15th – October 15th. If you know of a worthy teacher, let her or him know



Cemetery Clean-Up – September 22nd, 9 A.M. to noon. Did you know that there is an “accumulation of dead material” at our local cemetery? If you don't believe me, ask **Steve Beck**. This is not fake news. Seriously, folks, accumulated dead “plant” material at the cemetery has become

a dangerous fire hazard and needs to be cleared out. **Peg Rogers** showed the way. Snacks and lunch will be provided at the workday, but watch out for that punch. Fortunately **Steve** did not ask for a “body count



RECOGNITIONS

Gay McFarren – September 11: Her birthday celebration featured a trip to Capitola, then a visit to the local casino. Next she is off to Modesto...perhaps punishment for the casino trip?





Karen Daniels – This very day, September 14! She celebrated number 75 with a family dinner and a song from the Rotary chorus

Bud and Sharon Daveiro – September 9: Had he already been fined for this? No one seemed to know for sure. Anyway, congratulations!



Greg and Kathi Jacobs – September 11: Their celebration featured an out-of-town reunion with some of **Greg's** college buddies. Kathi is a good sport.

Gene and Betty Nelson – September 11: Look at those feet! Celebration featured pedicures and lunch. Now that's romance!



Linda and Greg Johnson – September 11: An anniversary dinner celebration with some fine wine

Tim Moore fined for a trip to Norway. Why the trip included Mary Ann doing pushups is a mystery to me. \$5.00.



Trivial Pursuit and Dental Hygiene



This should be filed under the heading, “You had to be there.” **Jeff Boal** correctly answered a trivial pursuit question – with help from a dozen Rotarians – and received a pile of “dental floss” thick enough to handle a Great White Shark. He also had the opportunity to contribute \$5. **Robin Maybury** also came up with a correct answer, paid his \$5, and received a “toothbrush” suitable for removing baked on food from a grill.



Fortunately no one was subjected to a **Blasco/Ford** version of a drill!



🍎 RAFFLE 🍎



Raffle...and not just any raffle, but a Roman Ladder Ball raffle. Nobody likes a good raffle like **Jack! Ruthie Dunlap** had the winning ticket.



She did not wrap the ball and rope around the ladder, but, instead of throwing her to the lions, the club gave her a “thumbs up” and she took home the money. Probably because she looked so good in that Roman helmet! **Larry**, please come back!



THE PROGRAM



Our guest speaker was the director for the *Sebastopol Center for the Arts*, Anjana Utarid. Anjana was raised and attended school in Sebastopol. As a young adult, she moved away, looking for a more exciting place to live. But then was married, had children and decided to return here to raise her family – a good move for her and us. Before coming to the *Center for the Arts*, she was the director of The Children’s Village in Santa Rosa. Along the way, she has also authored two children’s books.

She began by reminding us that Art Trails will soon be upon us, beginning the weekend of Oct.13-14, and sharing with us the sad news of the large number of artists who lost everything in the fires of October, 2017. In fact, this year a part of the Art Trails experience will be these artists sharing their own stories of loss and recovery.

The Arts Center has nine different programs and a wonderful gallery onsite. Something new this year is “Reverberations.” Opening Oct. 26, it will be an exhibit of rarely seen fine art from the private collections of Sonoma County residents, including a Picasso. It will also feature original poetry specifically written as accompaniment to the art.

Other programs include the yearly Documentary Film Festival which last March featured 66 films, including two that were nominated for Oscars. The Summer Youth Camp program continues to grow with offerings in theater, painting, poetry and more for young people. Two thirds of this year’s participants received scholarships as the Center



seeks to reach out to kids of all economic levels. Anjana said that she hopes this program and outreach can continue to grow. She also mentioned the summer concert series that provided a variety of musical programs for five summer Sundays. As Arts Center programs continue to grow and expand, six new staff members have been hired. We are indeed fortunate to have such a dynamic and creative arts program quite literally at our fingertips. Thanks Anjana



THE FINAL BELL



. **Jack** then adjourned our meeting a bit early, took his Roman helmet, and returned home.

Rotary Club of Sebastopol



Saturday, October 27, 2018

5:00 PM – 10:00 PM

**Santa Rosa Golf and Country Club
333 Country Club Drive
Santa Rosa, CA 95401**

An Elegant Evening of Dining, Drinks and Donating!

Live and Silent Auctions!

cocktail / black tie

Menu

- Pepper Crusted Striploin, dried cherry Zinfandel reduction, roasted potatoes
- Atlantic Salmon, pesto crust, tomato, basil, balsamic reduction, jasmine rice
- Chef's Seasonal Vegetarian Selection

Marinated beet salad, artisan fresh bread, sweet butter, apple galette dessert, coffee, tea
Wines to accompany dinner

Tickets \$125

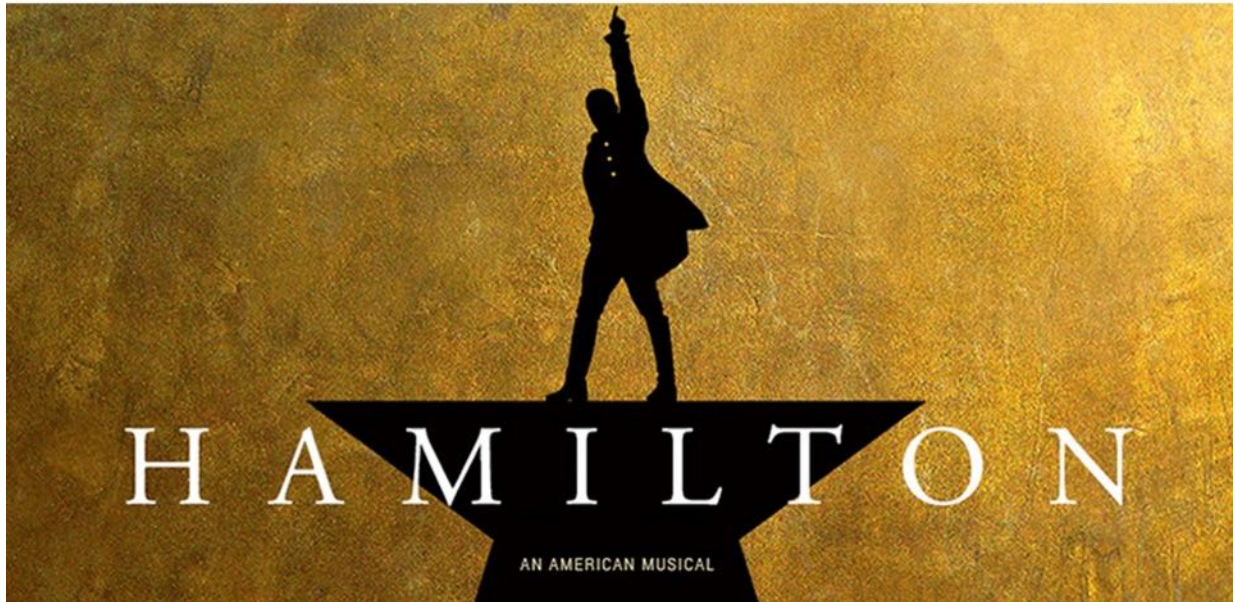
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and
3-Night Stay in New York City for 2
at the Hilton, Hyatt or comparable
hotel



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CHARLESTON LUXURY GETAWAY

- Deluxe room at the Belmond Charleston Place Hotel for 3 nights (includes breakfast)
- 2.5 hour private history/walking tour
- 6 course dinner (with wine pairings) at the Charleston Grill



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2019 INDIANAPOLIS 500 for 2

- Tickets to the Indy 500 (5/26), Driver's Meeting (5/25) & Indy Motor Speedway Hall of Fame Museum
- 3 nights at the Omni, Hilton, or comparable hotel.



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KENTUCKY BOURBON TRAIL for 2

- Distillery Tours & Tastings at Jim Beam, Maker's Mark & Stitzel-Weller
- 3-night stay in the Bluegrass State at the Hyatt, Hilton, Marriot or comparable hotel
- Private tour guide & luxury SUV driver
- Lunch at Bardstown



Future Programs:

September 21, 2018 – Matt Stevens – Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit (Smart Train)

Matt Stevens works in community outreach for the Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) District. Matt has been facilitating SMART community outreach programs since 2001, first as an outreach consultant, then as staff when he was hired full time in 2012 by SMART. In his spare time, Matt plays bass in two rock bands, loves to backpack in remote backcountry mountains, and is a partner in a relic fishing resort in Northern Idaho. Matt is a father of two grown children and has lived in the Sebastopol area for over 37 years.