



BE THE INSPIRATION

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"All the News that Fits We Print"



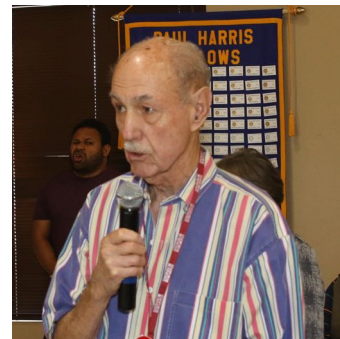
## **BEFORE THE BELL**



There is never a dull moment inside the lofty halls of the Roto-Palace. The flock was assembled, food served, speaker was ready, but wait, where's our president? Where in the world was **Larry Ford**? Rumors and tall tales started to circulate throughout the palace. Busted tire? Emergency root canal? Another Rotary Club???? This was going to be interesting.



## **AT THE BELL**



It was 12:15, and **Larry** was nowhere in sight. **Jack Blasco**, dusting off his old Roto President's hat, stepped to the lectern, and struck the vulnerable Roto-bell. **Dick Zimmer** grabbed the mic and led the group in the flag salute. **Robin Maybury** led the flock in a rousing, and surprisingly on-key, version of "God Bless America." **Russ Cunningham** offered the thought of the day:

"When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one that just opened for us."

Just before the program officially began, **Larry** quickly entered the Roto-palace. His excuse, a power point file run amok. The tea leaves showed a day of technical challenges ahead!



## **VISITORS & GUESTS**



**Bud Daviero** introduced us to regular guest star **Dan Bornstein** from the Santa Rosa Club. **Bob Rogers** introduced us to guest of the club, **Amie Sass**. **Patrick Dirden** introduced us to our guest speaker, **Matt Stevens** from Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART). **David Schreiber** introduced us to **Cathy Anderson** from Cultivate Home and **Linda Civitello** from the Sebastopol Senior Center.



**Sonoma County YWCA Domestic Violence Hotline 707-546-1234**

## 🍎 Future Programs 🍎

**September 28, 2018**

**M.E.N. Group  
Men Evolving Non-Violently**

**October 5, 2018**

**State Senator Mike McGuire**

**October 12, 2018**

**Wes Winter  
Family Justice Centre**

**October 19, 2018**

**Angie Escudero  
Canine Companions**

**September 28, 2018**

**District Governor  
Barb Spangler**

## 🍎 Future Events 🍎

**Fall Gala  
Saturday, October 27th  
Santa Rosa Golf & Country Club**

## 🍎 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**

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



## 🍎 ANNOUNCEMENTS 🍎

Toni Beal has been proposed for membership by **Mia Del Prete**, with the classification of Education: Secondary School Administration. If no objections are received within 7 days of this announcement, Toni will be inducted as a member of the Rotary Club of Sebastopol.

Flu season is around the corner, folks! If you are in need of a flu shot, Yvonne Thielen can help. Yvonne will be at the Roto Palace on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Shots are \$32 to \$35. Bring your insurance card!

Nominations for the District Governor during the 2021-2022 Rotary Year are well under way! If you are interested in following the path of our own former DG's **Bob Rogers** and **John Blount**, get in touch with PDG Erin Dunn.

October is District 5130 Learning Month. On October 27<sup>th</sup>, the District will offer two seminars, both on Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at the Finley Center. The morning seminar will discuss the Rotary Foundation, while the afternoon seminar will go over membership.

The deadline for the Sonoma County Fire Relief Fund Community Grants is coming up soon. The District is looking to award grants to community organizations impacted by the fire, or are providing a measurable service. If you have a worthy organization you would like to nominate, please visit: <https://f8s.co/1zvi>

On Saturday, our club gathered at the Sebastopol Memorial Cemetery help clean the grounds. See after the bell for pictures! Our day at the Redwood Empire Food Bank is back! It's coming up on Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, and is a great







opportunity to help this amazing organization. See **Jerry Warren** for more details! Pro tip: wear closed toe shoes! There's still time to sign up for Rotary Day at the Laguna Foundation on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. For more details, and to sign up, contact **Ellen Harrington**!

Let's dress for success! **Ruthie Dunlap** announced that Rotary branded t-shirts and hats are en-route. The back of the shirt proudly states: "Rotarian At Work Having Fun!" T-shirts are \$15, and hats \$20. Leave your money with **Ruthie**!

**Bob Rogers** is prepping hard for the up-coming Pedal 4 Polio ride next week, and he still needs your help! First, they are running short on pledges. It's not too late to pledge! Starting pledges begin at \$65, \$100 to be a member of the Pedal 4 Polio club. Second, welcome the tired riders on Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The riders will arrive at **Bob's** house at 3:30pm. Stay for drinks, food, and some road stories. The party will be a potluck, so make sure to sign up at Friday's meeting! Finally, give the riders a place to rest. You can still sign up to host a rider the night of October 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you are interested, let **Bob** know today!

You know there's an elegant gala coming up, right? You have Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> blocked off, right? You know you need to be at the Santa Rosa Golf & Country Club that evening, right? You know we have one of the best live auctions around, right? Time to treat yourself to an amazing trip! You know that, right? Up for bid will be a trip to Montana Big Sky country, courtesy of **Sally Ewald**. Fishing, Yellowstone, blue skies, fishing....I said fishing, right? If you're thirsty for more, perhaps **Hal Kwalasslar** could help. Join Hal and seven of your closest friends for a Scottish Whisky tasting. There's still more time to contribute to the Instant Wine Cellar. You can drop off your wine donation at our meeting or with Kelly Back at Exchange Bank.



## SHARING OUR STORIES



**David Schreibman** stepped to the lectern to introduce a new program called Sharing our Stories. We will be inviting members of the Sebastopol Chamber of Commerce to our meetings to come and share information about their business. The first two guests were the Executive Director of the Sebastopol Area Senior Center (and former Rotarian) Linda Civitello, and manager of Cultivate Home, Kathy Anderson.

Linda started by giving the club a top down overview of the activities at the Senior Center. Each week there are over 40 classes available. They offer made to order lunches Monday to Friday. They serve as a resource and educational outlet for the community. Linda encouraged people to stop by and see the newly renovated center, and experience some of their services. She also encouraged people to visit their Legacy Craft Store and the Holiday Store. Kathy Anderson spoke about Cultivate Home. In addition to providing a wide array of home décor and kitchenware, they offer a variety of culinary courses. One course recently featured renowned culinary expert Michelle Anna Jordan. She also has a special room within the store called the coop, featuring seasonal items. She offers a 20% discount to victims of the October wildfires, and has a Senior discount day on the first Tuesday of the month. When you visit, say hello to **Bud Daviero's** wife, **Sharon**. You might also see **Kathie Mayhew** in the store, as she is the owner!



## RAFFLE



Well, with a tight schedule, the ladder ball had to be postponed. But fear not! If you bought tickets at Friday's meeting, they will be honored at this Friday's meeting. Just turn those tickets in for fresh ones! You still have a chance to achieve fame and riches!!!

## 🍎 THE PROGRAM 🍎



**Patrick Dirden** stepped up to the lectern and introduced the club to our guest speaker, **Matt Stevens**, from Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (AKA: SMART Train). **Matt** started with an overview of the SMART system. Technical difficulties with the laptop threatened to derail **Matt's** presentation, but our tech wiz kid **Robin Maybury** saved the day! SMART recently celebrated their first year of revenue service. They offer weekday/weekend service (17 round trips on weekdays, 5 round trips Sat & Sun). The first phase of service covers 43 miles, and serves every city between Santa Rosa and San Rafael. Earlier this month, SMART received funding to extend service to Windsor, including \$20 million from the recently implemented gas tax increase. However, if Proposition 6 passes, the gas tax repeal, the major source of the funding for the Windsor extension would disappear. Work is progressing on the Larkspur extension, which should open in late 2019. SMART is working on extending service to Healdsburg and Cloverdale. Environmental and engineering studies have been completed. The biggest hurdle is the cost, including the cost for a new bridge over the Russian River in Healdsburg. SMART is also looking at extending service in the future east towards Suisun City in Solano County.

**Matt** told us that SMART currently operates 14 two-car trainsets, with two additional sets entering service next year. Trains travel at a maximum speed of 79 MPH. Each train can accommodate 300 people. There's capacity for 24 bikes on each train. All trains are ADA compliant. Becoming Independent works with SMART to operate the concession stand on each train, BI Buzz. They offer food, and an assortment of beverages, including beer and wine! The closest train station to Sebastopol is the Cotati station, on East Cotati Avenue.

Riders using the train must have a Clipper Card. Clipper is a transit payment card, which is used on every public transit system in the bay area. Customers load cash onto the card. Cards can be purchased via vending machines at each station. Customers can also download SMART's mobile Payment App, where customers can purchase individual or bulk tickets. Riders using the train, and parking at the stations, will need to download the Park Mobile app. Parking costs \$2 per day, and can be purchased via the app. **Matt** suggested that riders sign up for NIXLE to receive train updates. To sign up, text SMART to 888777.

**Matt** told us about the timed transit connections with SMART. Sonoma County Transit currently operates an express bus connecting Cloverdale, Healdsburg, and Windsor to the SMART train. Those who use the express bus to connect with SMART, and use their Clipper Card, gets the bus ride for free. The City of Santa Rosa operates a shuttle between the 7<sup>th</sup> Street Garage and the station in Railroad Square. Golden Gate Transit offers a multitude of connector buses between San Rafael and the Larkspur Ferry and San Francisco.

Finally, **Matt** reminded the club to be vigilant and safe around train tracks. Always expect a train at any time going any direction. Do not walk on the tracks. Do not park your car, or stop on train tracks. Cross the tracks only at road crossings or designated pedestrian crossings. Remember, it takes a SMART train 1,000' to stop in an emergency.

**Rick Wilson** asked how long it will take the train to travel from Santa Rosa to Larkspur, and what the distance is from the ferry to the new Larkspur Station. **Matt** said that the train will take 65 minutes to travel from Santa Rosa to Larkspur. The new station in Larkspur will be located north of Sir Francis Drake Blvd. The city of Larkspur passed a resolution banning SMART from crossing Sir Francis Drake Blvd. **Greg Jacobs** asked if the Petaluma station is close to the Airport Express stop. **Matt** said the station is a few blocks west of the Airport Express stop. **Nick Gurney** asked where the rail cars were manufactured. **Matt** told us Nippon Sharyo manufactured the trains. The shells were assembled in Japan, and the rest of the train cars were assembled in Rochelle, IL. **Jeff Boal** asked what the unexpected surprises have been. **Matt** told us that the popularity of bikes on the train has been surprising. He also told us that the amount of students using the train has been surprising. Finally, he also said the amount of disabled individuals using the train has been surprising. Again, SMART is 100% ADA compliant.





## THE FINAL BELL



**President Larry Ford** struck the hearty Roto-bell at 1:30PM sharp! Over the weekend, some from the Roto-flock gathered at the Sebastopol Memorial Cemetery to help clean up the grounds.



# 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**

**Available at**

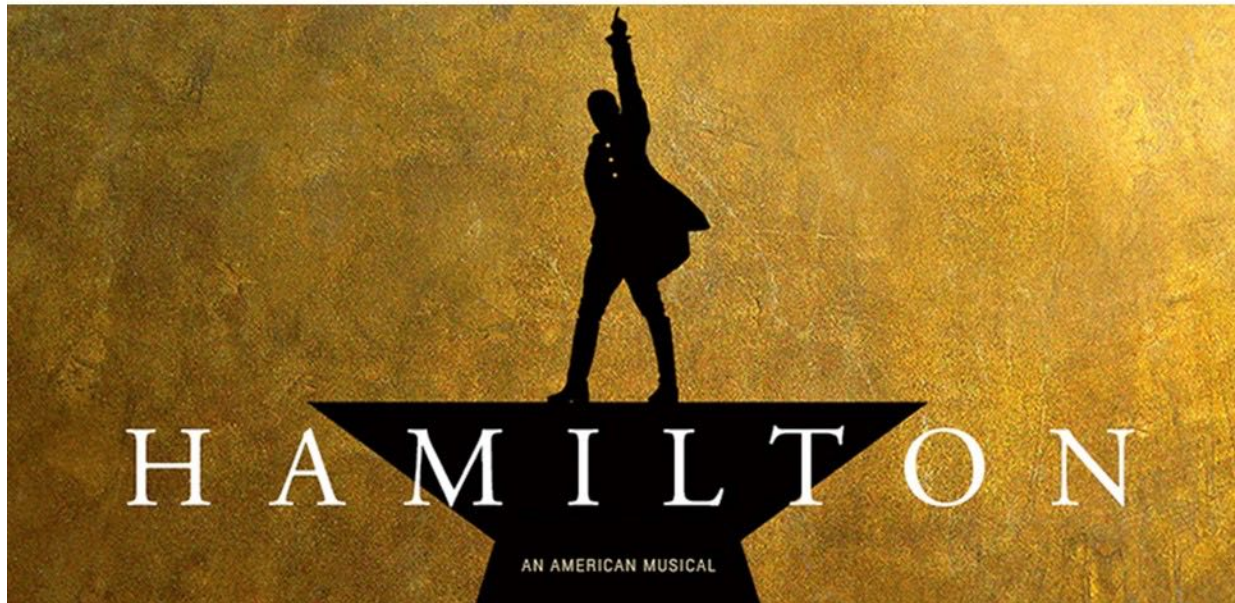
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**HAMILTON BROADWAY TICKETS**  
and  
**3-Night Stay in New York City for 2**  
at the Hilton, Hyatt or comparable  
hotel



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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 28: M.E.N. group Men Evolving Non-Violently

### October 6: State Senator Mike McGuire



Senator Mike McGuire is a third generation Northern Californian, whose family farmed prunes and grapes in the Alexander Valley for nearly a half century. Raised by his mom and grandma, Mike worked his way through high school and college and enjoyed a career in the radio and television industries.

Mike was first elected to the Healdsburg School Board when he was 19. As one of Northern California's youngest school board presidents, he led successful efforts to rebuild local decaying schools.

In 2004, Mike was elected to the Healdsburg City Council where he was the city's youngest mayor and was instrumental in creating one of the most successful local economies and stable municipal budgets in the region.

In 2010, Mike was elected to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. He has been a tireless advocate for our environment, and helped lead efforts that turned years of deficits into a multi-million dollar surplus and made Sonoma County one of top counties in job growth in California.

Mike has always been a tireless advocate for our environment. He has helped protect and preserve tens of thousands of acres of open space, watersheds and coast and he successfully fought to keep our regional and state parks open to the public.

Mike was sworn into office on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014, and represents the Second Senate District, which stretches from the Golden Gate Bridge to the Oregon Border. The district includes Del Norte, Trinity, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino, Sonoma and Marin counties.

Mike attended Santa Rosa Junior College and graduated from Sonoma State University. He is married to local high school teacher and middle school assistant-principal, Erika McGuire. Erika and Mike live in Healdsburg.

## Rotary Club of Sebastopol – Board Report Summary – September 20, 2018

What Have Our Committees Been Up To? Wouldn't you like to know!

**President Larry** has not written a paragraph for this space yet....

Suffice it to say that **Directors** have been diligently pursuing **Committee Chairs** to fill their membership. Jack Dunlap is entering them in ClubRunner.

Here is a compilation of **Directors'** monthly reports. The **AppleKnocker Team** edits these reports into the informative and easily digestible summaries that appear below – removing “Fake News” and obvious



[You can see the full Directors' reports at ClubRunner| Member Area| MyClubRunner| ViewClubDocuments| BoardMeetingMinutes| 2018-2019. –Ed.]

### COMMUNITY SERVICE AREA – DIRECTOR PEGGY ROGERS:



**FAMILY SAFETY / DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS COMMITTEE** (Chair: **Cory Maguire**) – Two programs are scheduled for October related to issues of violence and prevention, exploring a program of leadership training at Analy High School to help train students to learn respectful and non-sexist, inclusive attitudes and norms, and if substitute pay is a possibility. Also, reports are coming in that our Rotary members have taken the YWCA flyers to post – and they are being posted. We encourage more Rotarians to take the flyers to post at the businesses they visit.

**MARK SELL ROTARY TEACHER GRANT COMMITTEE** (Chair: **Jack Blasco**) – Application period for Fall round is set for Sept 15 - Oct. 15. An email announcement has been sent to all principals and superintendents of West County Schools and a hard copy announcement will be mailed this week.

**Jack** is working with **Hal K** to get a press release out and the application period promoted on the web site. Online application on the web site has been configured so that it will only be available during the application period. Also requesting the Board authorize expending up to \$17,180, the amount of the current teacher grant reserve, on the Fall round of grants.

**DICTIONARY COMMITTEE** (Chair: **Paul Yeomans**) – **Paul Yeomans** is getting schools to sign up this month and will need volunteers to help hand out the dictionaries

**LEARN WITH ME COMMITTEE** (Chair: **Linda Irving**) – Rotary's Learn With Me Program is gearing up for its 21st year of pairing volunteers with student learners! Interested in tutoring Kindergarten - 5th grade students? Contact Deborah Drehmel, Program Coordinator, 707-293-4147, dremichmel@gmail.com, and attend an orientation on Thursday, September 20th, 4-5:30pm OR Friday, September 21st, 10-11:30am.

**CRAB FEED** (Co-Chairs: **Scott Briggs** and **Patrick Dirden**) – Nothing to report.

**LEARN TO SWIM COMMITTEE** (Co-Chairs: **Greg Jacobs** and **Rick Wilson**) – Nothing to report.

**COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE** – No new report

**COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER PROJECTS COMMITTEE** (Chair: **Steve Beck**, until October): Several projects needing volunteers to help out are now being planned. The first is clean up at the cemetery scheduled for Sept. 22, 9-noon with snacks and lunch offered [Saturday work completed – very successful. A total of 17 people signed the participant list: 9 Club members, rest Burbank residents and Burbank Farm volunteers.]. The Laguna Project is looking for sign ups at the back table scheduled for October 6<sup>th</sup>. Clean up the post office landscaping (Our Rotary Plaque is hidden in the weeds.) needs volunteers to pull weeds and help with the sprucing up. Monthly Redwood Food Bank volunteer work needs volunteers. Also exploring other projects.

**PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION:** (Chairs: **Henry Alker**, **Steve Zivolich**) – World Peace Day event planned.

**GALA (FALL FUNDRAISER) 2018** (CHAIR: **Keller McDonald**) – All Hands on Deck are working diligently to make sure this is the best GALA for everyone who attends. The \$100 raffle tickets are now for sale with a chance to win a 3-day for 2 people, airfare included, 3-night stay in a luxury hotel and participate in 1 of 4 venues: See the Hamilton Play in New York, Bourbon tasting in Kentucky, enjoying the history of Charleston, or attending the Indy 500 race in Indiana. Everyone in the club can participate by buying tickets to the event, bringing their bidding friends and helping the club raise all the funds we need to serve our community.



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

INTERACT (Chair/Coordinator: **Barbara Bickford**): No new report.

OVERCOMING OBSTACLES AWARD (Co-Chairs: **Tom Boag, David Schreiber, and Hal Kwalwasser**) – The committee has been in preliminary discussions for the past month, and today, **Tom** sent out an email announcement to start the process of setting the date [Date set for April 26, 2019] for the club presentation. [On 9/13, an official announcement was sent to counselor-chairs and scholarship administrators at Analy, Laguna, and El Molino.] At present, the event is to look much as last year's.

YOUTH EXCHANGE (Co-Chairs: **Jackie Moreira, Katy Spyrka, Aleia Coate**) – Our inbound student, Laura from Austria, is doing great and has been to several meetings of our Rotary club. She is living with Jackie and Joe Moreira. We do need additional host families if anyone is willing or has leads.

Outbound Natasha in Switzerland is having some health difficulties which we are monitoring closely along with the district. She seems to be doing better. Her parents are fully informed.

We are currently recruiting at Analy for next year's outbound – **Keller's** year.

SRJC SCHOLARSHIPS (Chair: **Scott Briggs**) – No new report

PROGRAMMA DE BECAS [See International Service] (Chair: **Tom Lambert**) – No new report

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

COOL KIDS CAMP (Chair: **Robin Maybury**) – No new report.

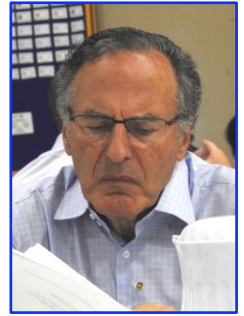
FINANCIAL LITERACY (Co-Chairs: **Tim Moore** and **David Schreiber**) – No new report.

HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH CONTEST (Chair: **Richard Power**) – No new report.

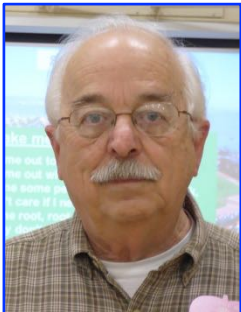
INTERACT ADOPT A FAMILY (Chair: **Pauline Pellini**) – No new report.

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA) (Chair: **Cindy Carter**) – No new report.

TRADE PATH (VOCATIONAL) AWARDS (Chair: **Rick Williams**) – No new report.



## CLUB SERVICE AREA – DIRECTOR JIM PASSAGE:



AUDIO VISUAL COMMITTEE [Chair: **Ron Puccinelli**] – The AV Committee is business as usual, while getting a microphone connector repaired (hopefully covered by warranty). One of **John Blount's** personal microphones is being used as a temporary replacement.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE [Chair: **Hal Kwalwasser**] – **Hal** has been traveling. Tune in next month. See website report below.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE [Chair: **David Schreiber**] – **David** sends his regrets – He has been on vacation – see Dave Madsen's report.

AFTER HOURS [Subcommittee Chair: **Meredeth Bertacco**] – No new report.

MENTORING [Subcommittee Chair: **Dave Madsen**] – There are five probable new members almost ready or ready for induction. They are Dana Moises, Steve Zollman, Aimee Sass, Kelly (Exchange Bank), and Toni Beale.

APPLEKNOCKER COMMITTEE [Chair: **David Still**] – No new report – they arrive every week without trouble.

CLUB HISTORY COMMITTEE [Chair: **Tom Boag**] – No new report. No news is good news.

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

GREETERS [Chair: **Rick Wilson, Robin Maybury**] – No new report. **Bob Cugini** is really active and good.

PHOTOGRAPHY ROTO-PHOTO COMMITTEE [Chair-Wrangler: **Harvey Henningsen**] – All months have been assigned to talented volunteer photographers.

SCRIBES COMMITTEE [Chair-Wrangler: **Patrick Dirden**] – No new report

PROGRAMS COMMITTEE [Chair: **Jørgen Holst**] – Speaker programs are set through January and into February. Work is on hold for the moment pending final dates for special meeting programs in the Spring.

SERGEANT AT ARMS [Chair: **Nao Noguchi**] – No new report.

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

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

WEBSITE COMMITTEE [Chair: **Robin Maybury**] – **Robin** reports that he has been very busy updating our website. **Hal Kwalwasser** says that there are issues that he is working on and that he expects to have the website up to snuff by October 1.

MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT 5130 COMMITTEE [Chair: Richard Ruge, Sunrise, Report by **Tom Boag**] – No new report

## CLUB ACTIVITIES AREA – DIRECTOR ALEIA COATE: -



CLUB PICNIC (Co-Chairs: **Bob Cugini** and **David Still**) – Picnic happened on 8/20/2017 at Bob Hirsch's property.

GOLF TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE (Chair: **Richard Petersen**) – No new report - Will take place in the springtime.

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

HAPPY HOURS (WAS ROTARY AFTER HOURS) (Chair: **Monica Kretschmer**) – No new report

APPLE BLOSSOM PARADE FLOAT (Chair: TBD) – No new report.

DEBUNKING (Chair: **Richard Power**) – No new report.

FRIENDSHIP DINNERS COMMITTEE (Co-Chairs: **Barbara Beedon** and **Ruthie Dunlap**) – No new report.

HOLIDAY PARTY (Chair: **Cindy Carter-Flamm**) – Date for Holiday Party has been set for December 15<sup>th</sup>. **JT and Theresa Martin** will be hosting at their home, along with a little bit of help from **Cindy** and other Rotarians.

SUPER BOWL BOARD (Co-Chairs: **Aleia Coate** and **Torrey Olson**) – No new report.

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

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

A few ideas for some new activities: an ocean fishing trip and a wine tasting tour. More to come...

## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE AREA – DIRECTOR LU FRAZIER:

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (Chair: **Dan Rasmus**) – Activity:

Pedal 4 Polio 10/2 – 10/6. Contributions have been strong so far.

12 Invitations went out for PHF recognitions on 9/28. **Keller** will be presenting.

A TRF Committee meeting will be late September or early October to plan for November Foundation Month.

I am beginning to train **Ruthie Dunlap** and involving her in different aspects of the Chair role.



WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE (WCS) (Chair: **Frank Mayhew**) – Synopsis by **Bob Rogers**:

Committee members: **Steve Beck, Jack Blasco, Jeff Boal, Sally Ewald, Steve Prandini, Dick Zimmer, and Bob Rogers**

Senegal Cervical Cancer Screening – Found out from the June Board Minutes that the expenditure of \$2,000 for this Rotary club of Chicago 1 Global Grant project was approved by the board, but we are still waiting to hear from Chicago 1 as to when the grant is approved by TRF and the funds are needed.

Keeping Girls in School Global Grant #1748653 – All funds have been sent in except for \$1,350.30 from the Rotary Club of Russian River, due to a mis-communication. The project is ready to start work on the borehole well but cannot start until all funds are in the hands of TRF. President Hans Bruener and **Frank Mayhew** are working together to resolve the issue in as timely a manner as possible.

Tanzania Water and Toilet Block for Schools – Jerry Meshulam of Rotary Club of Sebastopol Sunrise is initiating a global grant from a project he learned about at last Spring's Eastern Africa Project fair. It is \$69,000 project (\$20,000 needed from clubs) for the installation of a rain water harvest system, construction of a toilet bank, and menstrual health education for a 650 student girls' school in Bukoba, Tanzania. I told him that we would look at it but cannot commit to any support until after our fundraiser, when we will I know how much funds our board allocates for International Service, probably after club's November board meeting. I am planning on a first meeting after the gala event, and at that time I will present this project to the committee members.

PROGRAMMA DE BECAS [Also reported in Vocational / Youth Service area] (Chair: **Tom Lambert**) – No new report. The team has signed up all last year's donors to continue this year, and they would like to recruit some additional members.