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Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation – Vernal Pools



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"All the News that Fits We Print"



BEFORE THE BELL



Looking for the Off-Site meeting. It has got to be here somewhere. Then, through the clouds of dust and dirt – a vision – **Nao Noguchi, Tony Given, Tom Dilley and Richard Power** in safety vests getting everyone properly parked. Thank You. That's Service Above Self!



AT THE BELL



At 12:15, **President Keller Mc Donald** called on the person in the front row to come up and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Your **Scribe, David Still** managed the job, proving the old adage – *If you want good grades, you have to sit up front.*

President Keller joined **Karen Daniels** in a sing along rendition of "My Country Tis of Thee" – but only the fourth verse.

Ron Puccinelli supplied the Thought for the Day – *"A positive attitude may not solve all your problems but it annoys enough people to make it worthwhile."*

🍎 Future Programs 🍎

August 23, 2019

**Craig Anderson
Landpaths**

🍎 Events 🍎

**Summer Picnic
Georgetown
August 24, 2019**

**Fall Fundraiser
October 26th**

🍎 Miscellany 🍎

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🍎 ROTARIANS & GUESTS 🍎

There were no visiting Rotarians leading **President Keller** to speculate that they might be over at the Community Church and had been dragooned into making pies. Guests were plentiful however

Tom Boag introduced his partner Ralph

Jeff Boal introduced his wife, Jean

Aleia Coate introduced our new exchange student Anni from Finland. Hmm- Two days of classes at Analay and already taking off for a fancy lunch out.

Mike Ferguson introduced his guest Melissa.

Guy Smith introduced his wife Michelle.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Keller showed a slide of the wonderfully successful “Rotary Day at the Laguna” Work Party. It was 101 degrees out that day so many Rotarians stuck to important tasks like strategic planning and networking. Others, however, jumped in and did the work. Thanks to **Ellen Harrington** for leading the pack on this one.

Tamales for the Super Playground continues. The combined Rotary Clubs of Sebastopol made over 1000 tamales this week alone to get ready for big sales at the Apple Fair this weekend. Still need help with selling so sign up soon.

Calling all Super Athletes! The Bocce Tournament is coming soon so get your Team signed up ASAP. The actual contest is on September 7 so still plenty of time to train and get in your roadwork before the actual battle.

THE PICNIC Still coming – soon to be here. –August 24, 2019 at Georgetown. Committee Co-Chair **David Still** reminded everyone to show up on time, leave your Pets at home, Dress Western, and BRING LAWNCHAIRS WITH YOU.

The Rotary Club of Sebastopol Sunrise is having a fundraiser on August 29 at the Paradise Ridge Winery. It will benefit the Telemedicine Project they have sponsored for many years.

The Great Yogi Berra once said (we think) “*If you don’t know where you are going, you might end up somewhere e/se.*” Apropos of this, **President Keller McDonald** unveiled a Strategic Planning Survey designed to gather information about our club. From our club members. All members will receive a simple email survey to be completed as soon as possible. Answer all the questions and provide comments too. This information will be analyzed by a crack team of strategic planners from the club and, with luck, result in a long term plan for the future. All who respond will be entered into a raffle (the survey is anonymous, so just say you did it). Those who are unable to figure out how to use a computer can get a hardcopy of the survey but you are probably not reading this anyway. You know who you are!

RECOGNITIONS



Jeff and Jean Boal honored us with their presence on this, their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Yes, Today. Somehow they worked it out fifty years ago that they would celebrate at a Rotary meeting. Actually, according to **President Keller**, they already had the party but Keller showed some great photos anyway.

Diana Rich was questioned about her recent trip to Costa Rica (and the correct spelling of her name). **Diana** said she had a wonderful time in CR except for some unwanted excitement on the small plane ride over the mountains. **David Schriebman** noted that there will be a Costa Rica vacation available during the live auction at the Tropical Escape fundraiser in October! **Frank Mayhew** chimed in that the place is amazing and we almost started the auction right there on the spot.





Most men are content to play with model trains, Lionel, and all that. Not **Bob Hirsch**. **Bob** has a friend who owned a railroad. Yes, a railroad with cars and tracks and engines and everything. **Bob** got invited to join his friend and drive the train. Watch out Casey Jones.

President Keller showed a picture of **Nao Noguchi** with all seven of his grandchildren including the newest.



Meredith Bertacco was recognized for her recent birthday celebrated at the Peacetown concert. She also took a trip to Lake Tahoe and went "Glamping" (that's glamour camping) in Yosemite.



Paul Thielen won the caption contest award in an unnamed local publication (not the AppleKnocker- we don't have cartoons). Pretty funny **Paul**.



We will be checking the *New Yorker* every week from now on. Be in the house back at the Community Church next week and see **Frank and Kathie Mayhew** receive induction into the Arch Klumph Society for their contributions to Rotary. You don't want to miss this honor.



Everyone got a raffle ticket this week, except **HH**, so **HH** got to pull the winner from the jar. **Ken Silveira** held the lucky ticket and was faced with a choice. For \$20 – he could name the state from which our current Rotary International President hales – For \$5 he could take a lifeline from the audience. **Ken** chose to go it alone, hoping against hope for that magical \$20 payout. He guessed....He was wrong. No – not Pennsylvania. With some prodding **Ken** finally said



the correct answer Alabama. He was given a measly \$5 prize which he immediately donated to the Laguna Foundation.

🍎 THE PROGRAM 🍎



Our program was brought to us by Dr Wendy Trowbridge Director of Restoration and Conservation Programs at the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation. The mission of the Laguna Foundation is to not only conserve and protect but to instruct. Dr Trowbridge presented an in depth look at research presently be conducted by the Foundation on Vernal Pools. Vernal Pools are found in many place in California but each has unique characteristics. Vernal Pools are endangered by development as they cease to exist when the developers move in.

Vernal Pools in the Laguna area are naturally occurring pools that fill in the winter rains and dry up in the summer heat. Due to the hardpan nature of the ground below, the water does not drain. This wetland nature gives rise to various unique strains of flora including meadowfoam, goldfields and Sonoma sunshine. If the Vernal Pools go away, these also go away. Also many strains of fauna flourish only in Vernal Pools as they have adapted to the wet dry nature of the pools.

When it was first realized that the pools were in danger, the State of California took action to protect the pools. It turned out to be too much love. The pools started to shrink and it was determined that the ban on grazing near the pools was causing their demise. Now through careful management, the pools are being brought back as they are more fully understood. Careful conservation and management are being employed to save the pools and their unique characteristics. Developers are often required to pay into a fund for mitigation which helps pay for this work.

🍎 THE FINAL BELL 🍎



President **Keller McDonald** gave a final shout out thank you to **Mario Ramos and Rick Wilson** for pulling together a great tamale lunch (They really are delicious)! Watch for that Survey in a mailbox near you. Fill it out. It will really help the Club.

🍎 AFTER THE BELL 🍎



While most of the Roto-flock fled for the local golf courses or their offices, a couple of Rotarians, including your humble editor, stayed for a tour of the native garden. The garden is home to hundreds of local plant species, and is shared with the Sonoma County Native Plant Society. Most of the plants are used for wetlands projects within the Laguna watershed, or for restoration of areas hit by the 2017 wildfires.

Upcoming Programs

August 23 – Landpaths CEO Craig Anderson

Craig has been the Executive Director of LandPaths since 1997. Craig is LandPaths lead on new nature preserve acquisitions and helped develop Bayer Farm as a place for renewing community and seeking social equity via access to open space and clean food. He speaks annually to international audiences at the Land Trust Alliance and was chosen by Bay Nature Magazine as its 2014 Local Conservation Hero. A fifth generation Californian, Craig received his MS degree in Range Management from University of California Berkeley after stints at the Nature Conservancy and Yosemite Institute. He directed the Outdoor Classroom Program, including wilderness trips, at the Ojai Valley School from 1989 to 1992. In his spare time he enjoys offshore kayak fishing, wild foraging, farming his front-yard, and playing music in the “Sonomacana” band Cahoots. Craig lives in Santa Rosa with his wife Lee Hackeling and their two children.



ROTARY CLUB OF SEBASTOPOL

ANNUAL PICNIC

AUGUST 24 2019 12-4 pm

**AT THE WORLD FAMOUS
GEORGETOWN**



4015 FREI ROAD, SEBASTOPOL

BBQ LUNCH WITH ALL THE FIXINS & DRINKS

****\$15 PER PERSON**

*****\$25 PER FAMILY**

Rotary Club of Sebastopol – Board Report Summary – August 13, 2019

President's Report to the Club for August 2019

Fellow Club Members and Friends,

Welcome to our two newest members recently inducted, **Joyce Oneko** and **Laura Victor-van Gorder**! **Joyce** and **Laura** have already jumping in on several club projects!

I'm pleased to share the Club goals for 2019-20 recently approved by the Board:

- Complete Rotary Club of Sebastopol Strategic Plan 2020-2024
- Earn a Rotary International Citation with Distinction
- Help Interact Clubs that wish to, achieve 2019-20 Rotary Citations
- Earn a District 5130 "Close-Knit Community Challenge" award
- Complete Libby Park Super Playground Project with Sunrise and City of Sebastopol (with \$2,400 matching District 5130 Grant)
- Build "Rotary in Sebastopol" with the Sebastopol Sunrise club, for Rotary name recognition, community support and membership growth
- Help SREF establish signature project

This is certainly not a list of all our club activities and programs for the year. Just a beacon to help guide the Board forward in 2019-20.

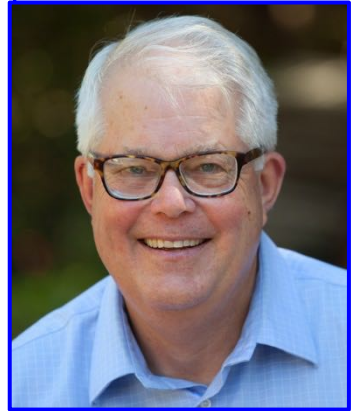
Thanks to the cadre of leaders who stepped forward to form the new Membership Retention Subcommittee. This group will be reaching out to encourage members to stay active and engaged in Rotary.

We'll be conducting a survey of all members to collect your input and ideas and assist the Strategic Plan Team to set the course for our Club moving forward. Please take time to complete the online survey or submit a hardcopy survey which will be available at meetings on Friday, August 23 and Friday, August 30.

Thanks for making a difference in the community and in the world. Rotarians are People of Action!

Keller McDonald

Rotary Club of Sebastopol President, 2019-20



[You can see the full Directors' reports at ClubRunner| Member Area| MyClubRunner| ViewClubDocuments| BoardMeetingMinutes| 2019-2020. –Ed.]

CLUB ACTIVITIES – ELLEN HARRINGTON, DIRECTOR:



APPLE BLOSSOM PARADE FLOAT (**Dan Rasmus**, Chair) – The Committee is established & plans will be forthcoming later. **Dan** & **Aleia Coate** have agreed to work on the float project together. No updates at this time.

DEBUNKING (**Ellen Harrington**, Chair) – The Committee has already been brainstorming on the program & venue. It's never too early to start your roast! No updates at this time.

FRIENDSHIP DINNERS COMMITTEE (**Cindy Carter-Flamm**, Chair) – **Cindy** is planning friendship dinners for March 2020. No updates at this time.

GOLF TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE (**Jackie Moreira**, **Katy Spyрка**, **Aleia Coate**, Co-Chairs) – The great Golf team will plan a fun event where all club members will be able to attend. The event will take place in April & will be held at Northwood Golf Club in Monte Rio. No updates at this time.

HAPPY HOUR / FIRST FRIDAY (**Aldean Noethig**, Chair) – The first Happy Hour with Seb Sunrise at Woodfour Brewing was very successful & well attended by both clubs. The next quarterly Happy Hour events will be in October & January. **Aldean** will be planning an event for just our club in September.

HOLIDAY PARTY (CLUB) (**Cindy Carter-Flamm**, Chair) – **Cindy** & **Ellen** have a potential venue for this event. We should hear soon on possible confirmation. No updates at this time.

PAST PRESIDENT DAY (CLUB) (**Harry Polley**, Chair) – **Harry** has some ideas, & we will be discussing them soon. The Friday date for this is yet to be established. No updates at this time.

PICNIC (CLUB) (**David Still**, **Bob Cugini**, Co-Chairs) – **Guy & Michelle Smith** are hosting this year's club picnic at their Georgetown location on August 24th. **David & Nan Still** & I met at the **Smith's** on 8-4-19 to review details. About 90 guests are signed up to attend. **Ken Silveira** will be providing all food & beverages...plus utensils *et.al.* not in our club's inventory. Instructions will be sent to the club in the next few days.

SUPER BOWL BOARD (**Aleia Coate**, **Torrey Olson**, Co-Chairs) – **Aleia** & **Torrey** have discussed this coming year's SB Board & are looking forward to running it again. No updates at this time.

VETERAN'S DAY (**Mike Ferguson**, Chair) – **Mike** is once more on top of this fine celebration. He has a team this year to brainstorm new ideas & support his great program. No updates at this time.

CLUB SERVICE – PATRICK DIRDEN, DIRECTOR:

ANNIVERSARY CARDS (**SUE ENGLE**, Chair) – Nothing new to report.

APPLEKNOCKER EDITORS (**David Still**, Chair) – Editors are lined up through October.

AUDIO/VISUAL TEAM (**Paul Thielen**, Chair) – **Paul** reports: “We have been tasked to produce an opening program and a four-hour workshop on “Producing a Conference” for the upcoming Zone Conference group meeting in Denver, CO, first week of September. We’ll be running their sound, lights and video throughout the weekend in support of their speakers and programs, as well as an instructional session on the Thursday prior, highlighting the various technical components of a conference as well as marketing, promotion and such.



We are still in search of a permanent lodging for the two equipment trailers. They are currently temporarily parked at the **Mayhews**. Any suggestions for a weather-protected location would be most welcomed.

We are currently fielding proposals and offering suggestions to the Sebastopol Community Center regarding possible funding for sound equipment for them. We’re in discussion with Cordelia Holst from the Center regarding the best ways to accommodate their very different needs as regards to providing sound for anything from yoga classes, high school bands to musicians on tour. The single biggest problem is controlling the system, as it is so easy for a band coming in to crank it up to “11” and blow the speakers.

We are again prepared to provide needed support for the fall fundraiser.

We are currently acquiring a new amp and necessary connections for the club system. The amp failed at the end of **Larry’s** year. We substituted the one we use for outside events and are in the process of improving the delivery system at the club.

All in all, we stay busy.”

BIRTHDAY CALLER (**Pam Graber**, Chair) – As of August 1, the **Rotary Birthday Wisher** has called 6 members. I spoke directly with 2, and left messages for the other 4. It’s kinda fun!

GREETERS (**Rick Wilson**, Chair) – No report this month.

HISTORY (CLUB) / ARCHIVAL (**Chair: Tom Boag**) – **Tom** reports: “Updated to date ARCHIVE and SHARED OneDrive Areas with Supplied AppleKnocker copies, docx files, submitted photos, and President PowerPoint. Have updated searchable Archive Index. Completed several photo request projects for Webpage and President use including historical Laguna de Santa Rosa projects, past Georgetown Picnic photos, and more. Will be supporting Tropical Escape Fundraiser with photo presentation at **President Keller’s** request. Planning meeting with Committee, including AppleKnocker Editors, Webmaster, others to discuss level of support, material capture, and search methods.

MEMBERSHIP (**David Schreibman**, Chair; Subcommittees: ROTARY INFORMATION, MENTORING, NEW MEMBER ATTRACTION) – Two new Rotarians were inducted July 19 - **Laura Victor-van Gorder** and **Joyce Oneko**. Both are working closely with their mentors and are anxious to be involved. Six people have registered to be Friends of Rotary so far.

There are a few members whose work/life have changed and are considering a change in membership. We are working with them individually to keep them connected. In addition, **Jack Blasco** has organized a new system to contact members who show a pattern of missing meetings.

Naturally, anyone “on the fence” comes to a decision point when receiving our annual invoice. **Ken Jacobs**, **Jack Dunlap** and I are all in agreement that in the future, invoices should go out in early June, so the club doesn’t end up paying RI for members who don’t renew.

Harry Polley is continuing his effort to solicit then publish “Membership Moments” as a way to fuel the Rotary fire in old as well as new members.

There are no new pending applications but at least three visitors to the club have requested one.

PHOTOGRAPHY (AK) (**Harvey Henningsen**, Chair) – **Roto-Photo-Photographers** have been recruited for the 2019-2020 Roto-year. Our excellent team of sharp-shooters is in place to cover the gory imagery details for every month of **Keller’s** reign-of-terror.

PUBLIC RELATIONS (**Hal Kwalwasser**, Chair; Subcommittees: PRINT/RADIO, TV AD MEDIA, SOCIAL MEDIA, WEB DESIGN AND MAINTENANCE) – No report this month.

SCRIBE (AK) COMMITTEE (**Patrick Dirden**, Chair) – With the exception of 9/20, our crack team of **Scribes** (writers) is scheduled until the end of September.

SECRETARY SUPPORT (**Jack Dunlap**, Chair) – Coordinated, within **President Keller’s** schedule, receipt of committee preference questionnaires from members; combined those into a format for Director-Chair consideration; then, with approval by directors and **President Keller**, posted those committee assignments into ClubRunner - where members can see their committee assignments. **Tom Boag** can update the ClubRunner list whenever the Directors and Committee Chairs request a change. Of the fifty-one committees, five do not yet have chairpersons. The Board will now consider how committee assignments will be communicated to members. The Club Calendar, seen on the website or in ClubRunner, has been updated and is starting to reflect the considerable activity of the club and to be a credible resource for members. We can discuss what additional calendar items should be added.

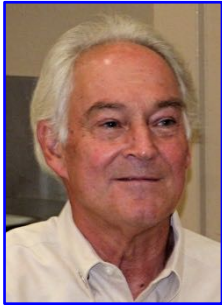
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS (**Nao Noguchi**, Chair; Subcommittee: Song Leaders (**Jeff Boal**, Chair) – Nothing new to report from the Sergeant-at-Arms committee. Members seemed to be getting used to the new procedure for Q/A session after speakers' presentation.

SPEAKERS, WEEKLY (**Jørgen Holst**, Chair) – The program committee is doing well, and only has 4 openings until November to fill. We are meeting next Friday to plan and move on filling those as well. We have had a lot of really great suggestions from club members lately

SUNSHINE (**TBA**, Chair) – Still looking for a chair. No report this month.

TREASURER SUPPORT (**KEN JACOBS**, Chair) – Nothing new this month.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AREA – SCOTT BRIGGS, DIRECTOR:



COMMUNITY GRANTS (**Linda Johnson**, Chair) – Committee work not yet started. I am working with **Linda** and **Robin** to prepare schedule to share with Committee, and our Board, for next steps, i.e., when application requests go out, when applications due, when Committee will meet to review applications and prepare list of award recommendations for Board review, and when grants will be announced.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER PROJECTS (**Diana Rich**, Chair) – The Community Volunteer Projects Committee recently repaired window trim damaged by dry rot at the Senior Center. This project was picked up by **Jim Pacatte**, who was contacted by Linda Civitello, executive director of the Senior Center. **Jim** worked with City of Sebastopol Public Works Superintendent Dante Del Prete, who agreed to loan some needed equipment. **Jim** bought the necessary lumber, gathered up his tools and truck, and we met on Wednesday July 31 to get the project completed. It took from 8am to noon. The majority of the work was done by **Jim Pacatte** and **Scott Briggs**, with **Tom Dilley** helping at the beginning. **Diana Rich** helped by bringing refreshments and cheering everyone else on. The work was done on windows facing the public parking lot that sits between the Senior Center and the Library. There is a total of twelve windows on that wall, nine large ones above and three small ones below. As it turned out, most of them had severe dry rot. **Jim** and **Scott** and **Tom** ended up working on eight of the twelve windows (six on the top and two on the bottom). The trim was in general in bad shape, with substantial dry rot damaging the side and bottom pieces. In one case, even the top trim was rotten. All damaged pieces were removed, new pieces were cut to size, and then installed. In the end, all was left nicely repaired, in primed condition for new paint. Linda Civitello was very appreciative, and kindly offered us lunch at the Senior Center. It was a satisfying day of doing very good work for an incredibly worthwhile nonprofit that provides invaluable services to our community. Total cost of the project: \$388.87.

CRAB FEED (**Patrick Dirden**, Chair; **Scott Briggs**, Secretary; **Nao Noguchi**, Secretary) – **Patrick**, **Scott**, and **Nao** have scheduled a mini retreat on August 15th to start preparations for the Crab Feed. A meeting with the full committee will take place in early Fall.

DICTIONARY PROJECT (**Paul Yeomans**, Chair) – Aside from finalizing Committee membership, nothing new to report.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS (**Stephen Zollman**, Chair) – This Committee held its first meeting after our Regular Rotary meeting on July 26. As a first Committee effort it is preparing and will present a Domestic Violence Awareness panel discussion at our October 18 Rotary meeting. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. They are hoping to have a sitting judge, a District Attorney, a defense attorney, etc., on the panel.

LEARN TO SWIM (**Rick Wilson**, **Greg Jacobs**, Co-Chairs) – **Greg** reports that kids are not yet back to school, though he will soon be contacting schools to let them know next year's schedule. He anticipates that, as last year, we will once again be teaching nearly 400 students. Greg will be preparing a budget request very soon. He is also confident we will once again be receiving a large donation from a local program-supporter family for Learn-to-Swim.

LEARN WITH ME (**TBA**, Chair) – Nothing new to report. **President Keller** tells me this is still a work in progress.

MARK SELL ROTARY TEACHER GRANTS (**Jack Blasco**, Chair) – Activity will begin in early September when notification of the application opening date for the Fall round of grants will be emailed to each school principal in our service area. Applications will be accepted from around mid-September to mid-October.

PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION: (**Henry Alker**, Chair) – Nothing new to report other than finalization of Committee membership.

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE (**Ellen Harrington**, **Patrick Dirden**, Co-Chairs) – **Ellen** reports that they have a couple of Sponsorships coming (details to come), and more in the works.

SUPER PLAYGROUND PROJECT (**TBA**, Chair) – **Keller** tells me that Committee membership is still a work in progress. However, as noted at past meetings, Club members are still actively preparing and selling Tamales...and we have high hopes for substantial sales at the upcoming Apple Blossom Fair at Ragle Ranch Park.

TROPICAL ESCAPE FALL FUNDRAISER (**Mia Del Prete**, Event General Chair) – **Mia reports that** the Committee has been meeting since December 2018. The event is scheduled for Saturday, October 26, 2019 at the Santa Rosa Golf and Country Club. The following individuals are Sub Committee Chairs: Live Auction – David Schreibman, Silent Auction – **Ellen**

Harrington, Decoration – **Ellen Harrington**, Sponsorships – **Patrick Dirden**. Treasurer – **Diana Rich**. Carla Harrison will return as our Auctioneer and entertainment will be provided by Taimalietane Islands of Polynesia.

David Schreibman and his team are working hard to bring some new and exciting live auction items.

Ellen Harrington has been working with her team to secure local Wine Makers to partner with the Rotary Club for this event. The concept is each winery that participates brings their wines to the designated table and discusses them with those who have chosen to sit at that table. Eight guests will register to sit at that table and will be paying a premium for that luxury. Currently, Russian River Vineyards, Hallack, Hannah and Balletto have agreed to participate.

The Committee meets again on Wednesday, July 31.

VOCATIONAL / YOUTH SERVICE AREA – JØRGEN HOLST, DIRECTOR:



Career Fair at Analy High (**TBA**, Chair, if Analy has event) – No news since last month. Holding off for now, until we know for sure whether it's happening or not, and what possible format. I have asked **Linda Johnson** to chair and she might be interested but we need to know more details from Analy.

COOL KIDS CAMP (**Robin Maybury**, Chair) – Cool Kids camps are almost over for this year. **Robin** is trying to organize a visit to Cloverleaf Ranch once camps are all done and will be contacting his new committee members to ask who would like to join in an onsite visit. We are still not sure if the donations collected met or exceeded our donation funds required (\$15,000) and will update the board once they have more information. The co-chair from Petaluma Valley has only this weekend returned from a long vacation in Montana.

FINANCIAL LITERACY (**David Schreibman**, **Tim Moore**, Co-Chairs) – Nothing to report yet, program takes place in spring, so currently in rest mode. However, we'll need to deal with an Analy teacher retirement (and new principal). Also, our El Molino teacher didn't come through this last year.

HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH CONTEST (**Richard Power**, **Larry Ford**, Co-Chairs) – Nothing to report yet. Due to shifting personnel and misunderstandings, last years didn't happen, so we are looking to learn more about what went wrong and fix that as soon as school is in session. Will step up activity once school is back in session.

INTERACT (ANALY, TWIN HILLS, BROOK HAVEN) (**Pauline Pellini**, Chair) – School starts mid-August and the clubs will resume. **Pauline** has a meeting with all Rotarian and teacher advisers on August 8th at 5 pm at her Vanguard office, to make sure everyone is on the same page and get a calendar for the year.

INTERACT HOLIDAY ADOPT A FAMILY (Chair: **Pauline Pellini**, Chair) – **Pauline** contacted the Sebastopol Fire Department and the best day for them to host Adopt a Family is Saturday December 21st.

OVERCOMING OBSTACLES AWARD (**Tom Boag**, **David Schreibman**, **Hal Kwalwasser**, Co-Chairs) – OOA 2020 will start up in September 2019 when we contact high school counselors about a student-suitable event date. After checking club program dates, VIP visitor schedules, etc. we will send formal announcement to high schools for them to share with likely students. One thing to resolve now is expected club budget (scholarship amounts) for program. [Probably will not know until after Tropical Escape fundraiser.] We will likely call a committee meeting in September to discuss specific assignments.

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA) (**TBA**, Chair if event is held) – TBA if event is held

SRJC SCHOLARSHIPS (**Scott Briggs**, Chair) – Nothing new to report.

TRADE PATHS (VOCATIONAL) AWARDS (**Hal Kwalwasser**, Chair) – Nothing new to report.

YOUTH EXCHANGE (**Aleia Coate**, **Jackie Moreira**, **Katy Spyрка**, Co-Chairs) – Our new exchange student, **Anni** arrived August 6th. She will stay with **Aleia** for the first week and then move to her first host family, **Scott and Katy Spyрка**. Faye, our outbound left for Denmark on August 3rd.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE AREA – BUD DAVEIRO, DIRECTOR:

PROGRAMMA DE BECAS (**Dorothy Rodella**, Chair) – Effective August 3, **Ken Jacobs** and **Dorothy Rodella** sent \$3,850 to the Rotary Club of Puerto Vallarta Sur for Programa de Becas which will be utilized in Mexico for the ongoing successful programs that individual Rotarians have participated in for many years.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (**Ruthie Dunlap**, **Lu Frazier**, Co-Chairs) – Nothing new to report.

WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE (Chair: **Bob Rogers**, Chair) – Nothing new to report.

