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District Governor Kathy Flamson



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"All the News that Fits We Print"



BEFORE THE BELL



Something special was happening at the Roto-palace on this fine Friday afternoon. A special guest was in the house, District Governor Kathy Flamson. The group was eager to hear the news from all four corners of District 5130. We had no time to waste, so **President Keller**, licking his chops, struck the bell at 12:15pm sharp!

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🍎 Future Programs 🍎

December 20, 2019

Bridge Hope Children's Choir

December 27, 2019

DARK

January 3, 2020

DARK

January 10, 2020

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January 17, 2020

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🍎 Events 🍎

Fall Fundraiser
January 25th

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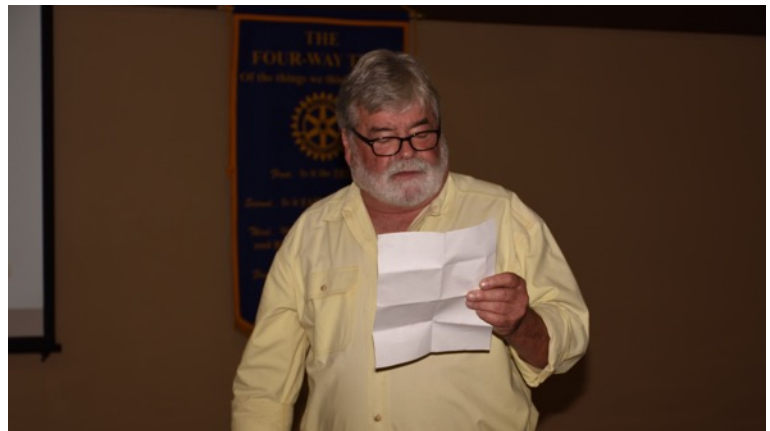
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🍎 AT THE BELL 🍎

Cindy Carter, dawned in a crab hat, led the salute to old glory. Not one to waste an opportunity, **Cindy** reminded everyone about the Holiday Party the following evening, and to scoop up tickets to the Crab Feed on February 8th!



Cindy then handed the mic over to her better half, **Rick "The Foghorn" Wilson**, who led the flock in a rousing, toe tapping, and (miraculously) on key version of, "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer."



Edwin Wilson's thought for the day, was delivered by his proxy, **President Keller**. It was a passage from Charles Dicken's tale, The Wreck of the Golden Mary:

"I have heard it broached that orders should be given in great new ships by electric telegraph. I admire machinery as much as any man, and am thankful to it as any man can be for what it does for us. But it will never be a substitute for the face of a man, with his soul in it, encouraging another man to be brave and true."



VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS



Bud “The Budman” Daviero introduced our visiting Rotarians. From San Carlos, we had PDG Bill Koefoed, and Betsy Koefoed. From Calistoga, our District Governor Kathy Flamson, and PDG Jim Flamson. Our constant guest star Dan Bornstein was unable to attend, as he had an emergency triple crown root canal to attend to. **Yvette Williams van Aggelen** introduced us to our 2018-19 Rotary Exchange Student, Natasha, and our outgoing exchange student for 2020-21, Gabe



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Keller reminded the crowd that the Rotary Club of Sebastopol's World famous Holiday Party was happening the following evening at the abode of **Jim and Rosemarie Pacatte**. More details to follow in the After the Bell section. **Keller** announced that our club was being honored as Donor of the Year by the Analay Band and Orchestra. The Analay Band and Rotary have a long relationship, going back many years. **Linda Johnson** represented the Club at its annual Winter Concert. Thank you!



Hands-on project – Tuesday, December 17, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Jerry Warren, Chair

SHOW OF HANDS IF YOU CAN HELP



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The gang will be returning to the Redwood Empire Food Bank on Tuesday, December 17th. If you want to join in the fun, contact **Jerry Warren**.



SREF YEAR END REPORT



Keller swung the Roto-Spotlight on **Hal Kwalwasser**, and the Sebastopol Rotary Education Foundation's (SREF) annual report. Hal reminded everyone that SREF is governed by 12 trustees, jointly selected by SREF and the Club. It's mission is exclusively educational and charitable; it secures contributions from individuals, corporations,

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as of June 30, 2019...
sights are set on
\$1,000,000



and foundations; and distributes earnings for scholarships, and other grants to benefit students in, or from, Western Sonoma County.

As of June 30th, the foundation raised a total of \$916,740, and they're aiming for \$1 Million. During the 2018-2019 year, SREF honored three teachers, partnered with our club to offer matching educational grants, honored five students of the North Bay Construction Corps, and researched CTE programs.

This year, SREF will be taking the Teacher of the Year program to a new level. One teacher will be recognized as Teacher of the Year; additionally, one inspiring new teacher (less than 3 years' experience), and one innovative teacher will be honored. SREF will be helping form a West County chapter of North Bay Construction Corps. Two dozen teenagers will start the program in January, and finish with a hands-on intensive boot camp in June. SREF is looking forward to doing more for our teachers

and students this year, and in the future.



West County Chapter of NBCC Beginning January 2020



- An after-school, 5-month basic construction training program for high school seniors.
- This will be the 4th chapter in Sonoma County.
- Over the next 3 years, we expect up to 75 West County students will participate in this program.
- Partnerships with local businesses and Rotarians.

2018-2019 Highlights

- Honored 3 West County Teachers of the Year (11th Year)
- This was seventh year of providing matching grants to Club to partner on educational programs chosen by Club's board and committees
- Honored 5 students who graduated from NBCC in May with tool belts
- Researched CTE programs and... as of **September 2019**...



RECOGNITIONS



Jim Passage completed another run around the sun on December 8th. He celebrated his big day by having one heck of a good time with his family! **Peggy Rogers** celebrated her big day on December 10th by spending a day at the spa, then enjoying a nice dinner at The Rialto while watching Frozen 2. **Jack Dunlap**, you are recognized! Turns out, someone was trying not to be recognized for his birthday. **Keller McDonald!** He said it was so memorable, he forgot! There were some calls for impeachment, but the crime was barely a blip on the radar. Good try, **Keller**. Now pay up, buttercup!





ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE



Keller then swung the spotlight on our 2018-2019 Rotary Exchange Student, Natasha. She shared all the highlights from her year in Switzerland. During her year there, Natasha made a lot of friends from all over the world, including other exchange students. She learned that she was a better at sledding than skiing. She also helped to organize a walkout on World Climate Strike day at her school. She and her fellow students traveled to Fribourg for the strike. She accidentally messed up the strike chant, but the experience was very positive. Natasha remarked at how scenic Switzerland was. She spent lots of time hiking and running with her friends. She, and her friends, pooled money to travel around the country. They took in performances at the local playhouse.



The holidays were fun for Natasha. She loved all of the Christmas Markets, and dressing up for Carnival, Switzerland's version of Halloween. She and her friends made a Wednesday tradition, Tako Wednesdays. Tako is a flour tortilla with fries and meat. They would gather at an old castle, where they chatted about life. Her last host family was her favorite. The host mom was a strong woman, who Natasha connected with, and learned a lot from. Today, Natasha is a senior at Analy High School, where she is quickly catching up on credits. She's eager to return to see all of her new friends. Natasha was joined by our 2020-2021 outbound student, Gabe.



RAFFLE



Itttttttttt's Raffle Time! Will the lucky winner pull the black marble from **Keller's** mystery bag. **Laura Victor van Gorder**, c'mon down! Will she, or won't she? She pulled the black marble!

Laura donated the grand prize to SREF! To quote **Jack Blasco**, the more you play, the more we pay!





THE PROGRAM



Speaking of **Blasco**, Jack came to Roto-lectern to introduce our special guest, District Governor Kathy Flamson. He crunched the numbers and informed us that Kathy needed more yarn; she had enough yarn to reach Evanston, IL, but not enough to reach around the world.

Kathy introduced her husband, PDG Jim Flamson (AKA God: Governor's Official Driver). Kathy has been visiting clubs from Petaluma to Crescent City. She remarked while our district is long and drawn out, we are a close-knit district. One of Kathy's objectives was for clubs to work together, stressing that connections are so important.



Kathy brought a major award with her. It was awarded to one of our members that embodies the connections with other clubs. A member who is always there to help. The award went to **David Schreiber**. Congratulations, **David**!



If you are planning to attend the District Conference, make your reservations now! The conference will take place May 15th & 16th at the River Lodge in Fortuna. The conference is the same week as graduation at Humboldt State, so reserve today! More details are available at: <https://www.rotary5130.org/> Well, if that's not enough, hop on a plane to sunny Honolulu for the Rotary International Convention, June 6th – 10th. If you are attending, reserve your hotel accommodations now!

Kathy took some time to discuss the significance of the 2019-2020 logo. The tagline, "Rotary Connects us All", follows Kathy's theme of Close Knit Community. The logo represents four people circulating the world:

1. Education: Educate people about Rotary, both inside and outside our clubs. It's really the best kept secret.
2. Inspire: Inspire all Rotarians to do good in the world. Kathy remarked about a speaker at the RI Convention in Hamburg, Chris Wells, who referred to Rotarians as "Agents of do goodery."
3. Motivate: Are reasons for staying in Rotary change year to year. Reasons for joining might not match why we continue to stay.
4. Connect: Kathy stressed the importance of connections. We connect by expanding membership. We're more than numbers, Rotary impacts our communities day in and day out through meaningful projects. We connect by involving families. Committing to Rotary should not compete with family. We strive to include families into the Rotary circle through projects and events. We connect by building leaders. Rotary has partnered with Toastmasters International to teach leaders the art of public speaking. Kathy admitted that public speaking was a fear for her. Now, when her foot enters

her mouth, she knows that she'll be showing off some fine shoes! The Learning Center at My Rotary has lots of free courses available to members. We connect through our relationship with the United Nations. Rotary had a huge influence with the formation of the United Nations. Recently, **Frank** and **Kathie Mayhew** were honored at the UN for their work in Africa. The UN and Rotary share common goals that help the world community.

Educate, Inspire, Motivate, connect. Four powerful words. The power of who we are. Rotary Connects the World.

Kathy shared a bit about her upbringing. She was born in Fort Bragg, and spent most of her life in District 5130, except for a two year stint in Los Angeles. Her dad was in the Kiwanas Club and saw the value of giving back through him. Her grandparents immigrated to the United States from Italy, Kathy remarked how Rotary gives opportunities where opportunities are absent. She remarked that before joining Rotary, she was an avid volunteer. She joined Rotary after her husband joined.

Kathy asked all of us to look for people with the heart of a five-year-old, when seeking prospective members. People who are there for you, knows what's fair, and gives beyond what is given. It embodies all Rotarians. Kathy ended by reminding us that Rotary is a tangible organization. We know the numbers, but they represent a small piece of the story. The stories we tell, the people we impact, are all tangible. Kathy pointed to Overcoming Obstacles as a program that shaped peoples lives forever. We need to tell these stories behind the numbers. We should never lose sight on these stories, the people we've touched, and the changes we have made. We have a great story to tell, backed by 95 years of connecting Sebastopol and the West County.



THE FINAL BELL



After an inspiring afternoon, **President Keller** reminded us that the Foundation Raffle will take place next week. With that, the hearty Roto-bell was struck at 1:30pm sharp.



AFTER THE BELL 1: ADOPT-A-FAMILY



In the morning of Saturday December 14th, a huge gang of interact kids from Twin Hills, Analy and Brookhaven got together with some experienced Rotarians like **Pauline Pellini**, **Dan Rasmus**, **Jørgen Holst** and **Aliea Coate** and some of Sebastopol's brave firemen to bring presents and holiday food out to some of our neighbors.





🍎 **AFTER THE BELL 2: HOLIDAY PARTY** 🍎

It was time once again for our club's annual Holiday Party. The Roto-Flock gathered at the humble abode of **Jim and Rosemarie Pacatte**. The place was overflowing with delicious eggnog, scrumptious treats, and friendship and fellowship.





FUTURE PROGRAMS

December 20th: The Bridge Hope Childrens' Choir

The BOHAM Children's Choir is coming back to the United States for two months with a mini tour! The plan is to update churches and supporters with the work that BOHAM is doing on the ground in Uganda. Four children will perform culturally unique songs with their signature singing, dancing, and drumming. This will be a special time to reconnect with our partners and share some of the needs the organization is facing in Uganda as well as offer ways to partner with us in continuing this important work. We hope to see you at one of our performances or home gatherings this tour! We believe it will be a sweet time of fellowship for all and an opportunity to share the Gospel in our local communities.

January 10th: Benita Mattioli – The History of the Topless Nightclub Revolution in San Francisco

The captivating true tale of how the Condor, a tiny San Francisco bar with a jukebox, was transformed into the first—then the most famous—topless nightclub in history, becoming a key player in the sexual revolution of the 1960s, is told in titillating detail here. Narrated by the wife of Pete Mattioli, its renowned owner at the time, the story takes us through Pete's wild life, focusing on his relationships with the legendary Carol Doda, his notorious partner Gino Del Prete, promoter Big Davey Rosenberg, and the entertainers and celebrities who frequented the club. The topless revolution blew into North Beach like a wildfire in 1964 and changed The City—and the world—forever.

January 24th: Rotary Climate Action Committee – John Mather

Climate change is an unprecedented challenge to humankind. CO₂ in the atmosphere is changing our planet, no matter what or who may be the cause. It is that simple. And there is no fixing it later, due to the long life of CO₂ in the atmosphere and oceans. The world's least prepared and most vulnerable are those that will be impacted the most. These are the same people Rotary has devoted its services to over the last century. Many years ago, an individual Rotary club saw a need and took action to begin the eradication of polio. The same grassroots effort is necessary to tackle climate change. We must act now to prevent it from getting even hotter, disrupting our weather and raising sea levels. Rotary can take a leadership role. If not Rotarians, then who? If not here, then where? If not right now, then when?

Rotary Club of Sebastopol – Board Report Summary – December 10, 2019

President's Report to the Club for December 2019

Fellow Club Members and Friends,

At our annual club meeting on December 6, the club voted to transfer \$30,000 from our restricted reserve to our club foundation budget to keep community, youth, and international service projects moving forward. The Board recommended this due to postponing our major fundraiser because of fire-related “challenges” and club agreed. I appreciate the club's commitment to keeping our service programs going by using budget reserves!

On December 10, the Board adopted a club foundation budget that meets the basic needs of all our existing programs, although Community Grants funding has been reduced from \$34,374 last year to \$20,000 this year. The Board will reconsider all parts of the community, youth and international service budget after revenues from our **Tropical Escape** fundraiser are known.

December is, as the holiday song goes, “... a most wonderful time of the (Rotary) year!” Congratulations to the fantastic slate of Rotarians elected by the club to the 2020-21 Board; including **Ellen Harrington**, our **President Elect Nominee**!

As I write this, I anticipate a wonderful club visit from District Governor Kathy Flamson on December 13, followed by a great Club Holiday Party on December 14. Many thanks to **Jim and Rosemarie Pacatte** for hosting!

Remember these important dates:

Fri., Dec. 20 **Foundation raffle**
Fri., Dec. 27 **DARK – no club meeting**
Fri., Jan. 3 **DARK – no club meeting**
Sat., Jan. 25 **Tropical Escape**
Sat., Feb. 8 **Crab Feed**

Thanks for making the Rotary Club of Sebastopol a positive force in our community and world!

Rotary connects the world, and the Rotary Club of Sebastopol connects us!

Happy Holidays to you and yours!

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 on. **Dan & Aleia Coate** have agreed to work on the float project together. No current updates.

DEBUNKING (Ellen Harrington, Chair) – The Committee will start meeting in January for this year's debunking. Venue contract is in the works. Keep watching this spot!

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

GOLF TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE (Jackie Moreira, Katy Spyрка, Aleia Coate, Co-Chairs) – The great Golf team has set the event where all club members will be able to attend. The event will take place May 21st at Northwood Golf Club in Monte Rio. Like our club picnic, this event will pay for itself, & the cost will be \$30/person. We will be doing a BBQ that the restaurant will provide. A beverage cart will also be available. No current updates.

HAPPY HOUR / FIRST FRIDAY (Aldean Noethig, Chair) – “Nothing is planned for Happy Hour the month of December, January or February. With the Holidays, the Tropical Escape and then the Crab Feed, I feel we are looking at probably March at the earliest. (Don't want to take away from the Fundraisers.) I was thinking something for Saint Patrick's Day!!!”

HOLIDAY PARTY (CLUB) (Cindy Carter-Flamm, Chair) – “Our thanks to **Jim & Rosemarie Pacatte** who are opening their home for our holiday party. The event is scheduled for December 14th. **Cindy & President Keller** have put out a blast for the event, & many have replied.”

PAST PRESIDENT DAY (CLUB) (Harry Polley, Chair) – **Harry** has some ideas, & discussion is taking place to fit this in. No current updates.

PICNIC (CLUB) (David Still, Bob Cugini, Co-Chairs) – I have ideas on cutting costs for next year's picnic. No current updates.

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 current updates.

VETERAN'S DAY (Mike Ferguson, Chair) – The program went well, & there is no more information until next Rotary year.

CLUB SERVICE – PATRICK DIRDEN, DIRECTOR:

ANNIVERSARY CARDS (**NANCY DWYER**, Chair) – No report this month.

APPLEKNOCKER EDITORS (**David Still**, Chair) – AppleKnocker editing set through March 2020.

AUDIO/VISUAL TEAM (**Paul Thielen**, Chair) – No news from the A/V team. We're ready for the January fundraiser and have a job filming the incoming district governors for the President Elect Training Seminar presentation the day after our fundraiser. Busy weekend.

BIRTHDAY CALLER (**Pam Graber**, Chair) – "Still calling people, over 50 to date."

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

HISTORY (CLUB) / ARCHIVAL (**Chair: Tom Boag**) – **Jeff Boal** has expressed an interest in helping **Tom** with Archives. Discussing ideas for other Archive content - videos, older paper Archive copies.

MEMBERSHIP (**David Schreiber**, Chair; Subcommittees: ROTARY INFORMATION, MENTORING, NEW MEMBER ATTRACTION) – The Membership Committee is proud to announce a new prospective member in his final stages of acceptance into the club, _____. He has completed Rotary Information and indicated his desire to join. An email was sent to all members on Friday, 12/6.

Unfortunately, **Bill Lippert** has had to resign for health reasons.

PHOTOGRAPHY (AK) (**Harvey Henningsen**, Chair) – "All remaining months of **Keller's** reign-of-terror have been filled with reliable, capable, artistic image-makers."

PUBLIC RELATIONS (**Hal Kwalwasser**, Chair; Subcommittees: PRINT/RADIO, TV AD MEDIA, SOCIAL MEDIA, WEB DESIGN AND MAINTENANCE) – We did not send out any press releases this past month. However, we are gearing up this month to promote the Crab Feed, Teacher Grants, and Teacher of the Year.

SCRIBE (AK) COMMITTEE (**Patrick Dirden**, Chair) – Starting to lineup great storytellers and fiction writers for the Winter months.

SECRETARY SUPPORT (**Jack Dunlap**, Chair) – No report this month.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS (**Nao Noguchi**, Chair; Subcommittee: Song Leaders (**Jeff Boal**, Chair) – No report this month.

SPEAKERS, WEEKLY (**Jørgen Holst**, Chair) – The program committee has been struggling to get together – with the fires and the chair working in SF for a while. We have a lot of exciting programs coming up in the spring, but also a few openings in the next few months, so we're working on filling those.

SUNSHINE (**Mark Fink**, Chair) – No report this month.

TREASURER SUPPORT (**KEN JACOBS**, Chair) – No report this month.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AREA – SCOTT BRIGGS, DIRECTOR:



COMMUNITY GRANTS (**Linda Johnson**, Chair) – Committee work was scheduled to start in December. However, given the rescheduled Tropical Escape, it will now be late January/early February before we will know the available budget for this grant program.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER PROJECTS (**Diana Rich**, Chair) – The benches we installed at the Sebastopol Library are getting their bronze plaques.

CRAB FEED (**Patrick Dirden**, Chair; **Scott Briggs**, Secretary; **Nao Noguchi**, Secretary) – Ticket sales are scheduled to begin Friday, December 6. **Cindy Carter** has agreed to take charge of ticket sales, and we are working to enable ticket sales via our website. As noted previously, **JT Martin** has worked to line up the Luv Rustlers Band. Finally, we are closely tracking the situation re the official dates for this year's commercial crab season.

DICTIONARY PROJECT (**Paul Yeomans**, Chair) – Nothing new to report.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS (**Stephen Zollman**, Chair) – This Committee arranged for a Domestic Violence panel discussion of top County leaders who deal with the many issues and outcomes surrounding the issue of domestic violence. We are currently working on our DMA Committee budget request, which is currently focusing on supporting the YMCA with maintenance needs or the upgrade of a room in the safe house or therapeutic school. Budget estimate is \$1,000.

LEARN TO SWIM (**Rick Wilson**, **Greg Jacobs**, Co-Chairs) – Nothing new to report.

MARK SELL ROTARY TEACHER GRANTS (**Jack Blasco**, Chair) – The Club Board of directors approved the teacher grants as recommended by the committee. Mark Sell Teacher Grant checks were mailed to schools on November 26, 2019.

PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION: (**Henry Alker**, Chair) – Nothing new to report.

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE (**Ellen Harrington**, **Patrick Dirden**, Co-Chairs) – Nothing new to report.



SUPER PLAYGROUND PROJECT (Keller McDonald, Chair) – We have reached our \$30,000 fundraising goal for this project, thanks to steady leadership from Michael McGlothlin (Sunrise Club) and our own **Mario Ramos**, countless hours of volunteer work from Sebastopol Rotarians and friends, and generous donations from Rotarians and Interact Clubs. Sebastopol City leaders, with input from city staff, the community, and Rotary project planners are finalizing the design of the play structures. City staff is counting on Rotarians to help disassemble the old play structures in April, and to install bark, borders, and landscaping in May. This project is slated to be complete in June.

TROPICAL ESCAPE FALL FUNDRAISER (Mia Del Prete, Event General Chair) – As noted, this event has been rescheduled for Saturday, January 25, 2020, 5:00-10:00 PM at the Santa Rosa Golf and Country Club. The committee is currently working to confirm wine table hosts, and on expanding the tropical escape guest list. The silent and live auctions will be packed with great items.

VOCATIONAL / YOUTH SERVICE AREA – JØRGEN HOLST, DIRECTOR:



Career Fair at Analý High (TBA, Chair, if Analý has event) – No news since last month, awaiting developments at school.

COOL KIDS CAMP (Robin Maybury, Chair) – No update on Cool Kids Camp this month.

FINANCIAL LITERACY (David Schreiber, Tim Moore, Co-Chairs) – Nothing to report yet.

HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH CONTEST (Richard Power, Larry Ford, Co-Chairs) – **Larry** has reached out to schools and initiated the process to ensure we don't experience a repeat of last year's lack of enthusiasm. [repeat]

INTERACT (ANALÝ, TWIN HILLS, BROOK HAVEN) (Pauline Pellini, Chair) – All three clubs are working on final plans for the Adopt a Family project. Shopping is next week, and the event is December 14th, 9:00 am at the firehouse. Brook Haven held a jog-a-thon to raise money with the charity to be decided later. Twin Hills had Soctober with all the socks going to SAY. Twin Hills also made fleece blankets for the women and children at The Living Room.

INTERACT HOLIDAY ADOPT A FAMILY (Chair: Pauline Pellini, Chair) – Shopping is next week, and the event is December 14th, 9:00 am at the firehouse.

OVERCOMING OBSTACLES AWARD (Tom Boag, David Schreiber, Hal Kwalwasser, Co-Chairs) – As of today, 12/4, Analý High School has not produced any applications although the new Scholarship Counselor, Paula Bush, has handed out forms and suggestions to several students. Paula Bush has also sent an email to all Analý teachers (early last week) pushing the program and asking for their assistance getting students to apply – and has also spoken to a number of student classes about our OOA program. Leah Woody, Scholarship Counselor at both El Molino and Laguna High Schools has said she has three applications in progress at both schools (6 total) – and reconfirmed this.

[Update 12/12: Analý Principal Shauna Ferdinandson was contacted by phone and has agreed to monitor Analý applications and to contact teachers. The deadline for applications has been moved to January 10, 2020 to ensure enough students to be considered.]

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA) (Cindy Carter-Flamm, Chair) – **Cindy Carter-Flamm** will chair, committee to be put together, the activity scheduled for next summer at Westminster Woods.

SRJC SCHOLARSHIPS (Scott Briggs, Chair) – No new news.

TRADE PATHS (VOCATIONAL) AWARDS (Hal Kwalwasser, Chair) – No new news.

YOUTH EXCHANGE (Aleia Coate, Jackie Moreira, Katy Spyryka, Co-Chairs) – Our inbound student just moved to her 2nd host family – at **Laura Victor-vanGorder's** home.

LEARN WITH ME (Linda Irving, Chair) – The relationship between Rotary's Learn With Me tutors and students is central to the program. By focusing on what a student already understands, and moving forward from there, students develop trust that their tutor accepts them and will help them learn.

The development of trust creates an environment where our struggling learners are willing to keep trying—even when progress is very slow. The partnerships are often strong and multi-year with tutors working with the same students as they progress through the grades. This year, 5 students are working with their tutor for a second year; a 6th student for a third year.

Even when students are no longer tutored, students stop me in the hallway asking: "Why can't I work with ____ again?" That exemplifies the power of the Rotary LWM relationships!

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE AREA – BUD DAVEIRO, DIRECTOR:

PROGRAMMA DE Becas (Dorothy Rodella, Chair) – Our club has not heard from Puerto Vallarta Sur Rotary about the receipt or use of our *Programma de Becas* donations from last year. **Dorothy Rodella** and **Bob Rogers** are working to reestablish communications with the Puerto Vallarta club to confirm the program is still going before we ask club members to donate. (This program is supported by club member donations that our club collects and transfers to Mexico.)

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (Ruthie Dunlap, Lu Frazier, Co-Chairs) – Club held our foundation fund drive in November (Foundation Month). Club exceeded our PolioPlus giving goal of \$10,000. Club raffle drawing for Foundation giving will happen on December 20.

WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE (Chair: Bob Rogers, Chair) – **Bob Rogers** and **Frank Mayhew** are working on a progress report to the club on our world projects.

