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"All the News that Fits We Print"



## BEFORE THE BELL



As we have all been doing for the past twelve weeks, your humble scribe, along with our fellow Rotarians, gathered in front of our collective computer screens for our Friday Rotary meeting. The usual suspects gathered early for the traditional back and forth banter. Today was **President "Big Mac" Keller McDonald's** final Friday meeting. Would it be a flop, or would Keller go out with a bang?

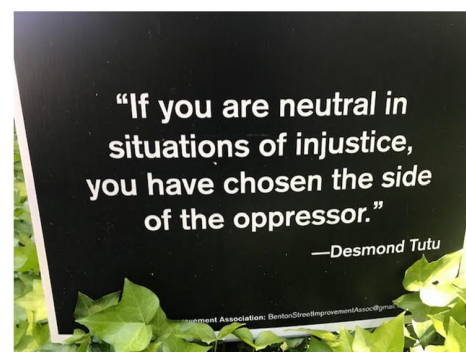


## AT THE BELL



President Keller struck the Roto-bell at 12:15pm sharp.

**Karen Daniels** gave us a timely, thought provoking thought for the day in honor of Juneteenth:



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

## 🍎 Future Programs 🍎

**June 26th:**  
**DARK for debunking**

**July 3<sup>rd</sup>:**  
**DARK**

**July 10<sup>th</sup>:**  
**Jeff Davidson**  
**Camino de Santiago**

**July 17<sup>th</sup>:**  
**Fire chief Bill Braga**

## 🍎 Events 🍎

**DeBunking**  
**June 27**

## 🍎 Miscellany 🍎

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS-JackE Dunlap@gmail.com

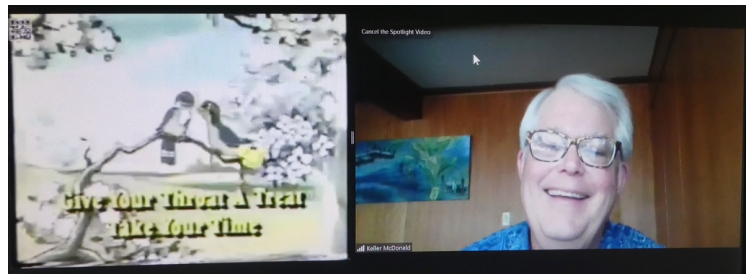
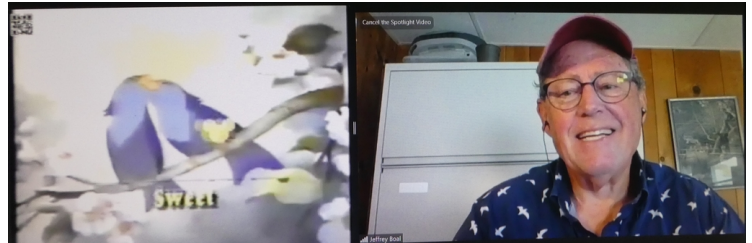
On-line Make-Ups:

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

**Domestic Violence Hotline:**  
**707-546-1234**

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

Our song meister, **Jeff Boal**, had a mystery song for the flock.....oh dear, not a replay "Bill Grogan's Goat." Nope, it was a beloved Disney classic, "Let's all sing like the birdies sing." Memories of Walt Disney's Enchanted Tiki Room and Dole Whips flooded into your scribe's mind.....until he heard shotgun blasts! Was this a preview of next week's debunking, and a violation of The Four-Way Test?



## 🍎 VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS 🍎

After clearing the duck feathers, **Keller** asked "**Bud Man**" **Bud Daviero** if there were any visiting Rotarians. Our weekly guest star Dan Bornstein was in the Zoom house. It was his second Rotary meeting of the day. He zoomed to Glendale to join their morning club's meeting.

## 🍎 ANNOUNCEMENTS 🍎

Keller had late breaking news for the flock. Mayhem, our favorite bad news, bad luck Brian, was voted person of the year! How appropriate! Our own Harvey Henningsen shared a gem from a choir in Vancouver, BC. A timely re-vamp of Billy Joe's timeless classic, "For The Longest Time." In typical Keller fashion, he sprinkled portions of the song throughout the meeting. If you want to hear this gem again, your AK team spent seconds scouring the internet to find the song.

Presented for your viewing pleasure:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LpAKcQufacc>



The Virtual Rotary International Convention is on! The keynotes started at 6:00am Saturday morning, and continued early Sunday morning. Breakout sessions continue throughout the week. There's the exciting House of Friendship, a 24-7 virtual exhibit area where you can connect with other Rotarians, share stories, and learn more about Rotary. But wait, there's more! Breakout sessions will continue throughout the month of July. To sign up, and learn more, visit

<https://www.riconvention.org/en/honolulu>



INFO, FAQs and CONVENTION REGISTRATION

[MyRotary.org](https://MyRotary.org) or [RIConvention.org](https://RIConvention.org)



**Jim Passage** had reason to celebrate recently. At February's Tropical Escape, he won a custom-built Peace Pole. He had a small get together with his neighbors to celebrate its placement. Jim is very happy with the Peace Pole.

**Keller** informed everyone that the Holocaust memorial fountain at the Santa Rosa Memorial Cemetery was recently vandalized and destroyed. **Dennis Judd** was involved in the installation of the fountain. He's raising funds to rebuild the fountain, with a goal of raising \$10,000. As of this writing, **Dennis** has raised \$9,658. During our podium meeting, the club foundation donated \$100 to **Dennis'** fundraiser. To donate, please visit:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/repairing-vandalized-holocaust-memorial-fountain>



**Jerry Warren** announced that his son is now a proud Rotarian. His son, Matt, is now a member of the Rotary Club of Truckee. Matt Warren owns and operates a tractor company in Truckee. **Jerry** said that his son was inducted via Zoom, and has yet to meet most of the members. **Jerry**, and his son's godfather, **Harry Polley**, will likely have a make-up meeting there soon. He also announced that his niece, Claire Fergus, in West Alexandria, OH, recently won the Rotary Award for Academic Achievement. **Keller** assessed a \$20 fine for all that Rotary goodness.



**Matt Warren**  
Rotary Club of Truckee

Snow removal  
Defensible space  
Paint and stain  
Asphalt





Speaking of fines and donations, there are many ways to donate! It's easy, and it's fun....just as fun as driving with Batman and Robin!

You can donate by credit card by calling our stalwart Treasurer, **Ken Jacobs**.

You can mail a check, payable to the Rotary Club of Sebastopol

Rotary Club of Sebastopol  
C/O Ken Jacobs, Club Treasurer  
PO Box 213  
Sebastopol, CA 95473

Use the PayPal link on the website



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- 1) Call Ken Jacobs to do credit card by phone
- 2) Make check to Rotary Club of Sebastopol – note what it's for  
Mail: Rotary Club of Sebastopol, c/o Ken Jacobs,  
Club Treasurer / PO Box 213 / Sebastopol, CA 95473
- 3) Use PayPal link on club website



Speaking of money, dues for 2020-2021 are coming up! **Treasurer Ken** sent an email to all members about dues last week. Dues for 2020-21 are \$295. Additionally, you have the option to donate \$25 to the "Expect the Unexpected" fund, and \$50 to the Membership Assistance Fund, or whatever you can. Please hold off on sending dues until July 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any financial challenges or unable to pay in July, please contact **Ken**.

Unless you have been living under a rock, or quarantining in a cold war era bomb shelter, the DeBunking of **Keller "Big Mac" McDonald** is quickly approaching! **Ellen Harrington**, and her DeBunking team, have been working hard, looking under every rock and duck blind, to uncover dirt about our outgoing fearless leader. What they found will shock you. The only way to learn all the dirt is to hop on Zoom this Saturday evening! Our world-famous chef, **Mario Ramos**, is cooking up stellar take out meals for Saturday's DeBunking. Only \$25! To sign up for the takeout dinner, contact **Lu Frazier** before 5pm on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. SEE MORE DETAILS ON THE BOTTOM OF THIS NEWSLETTER!!

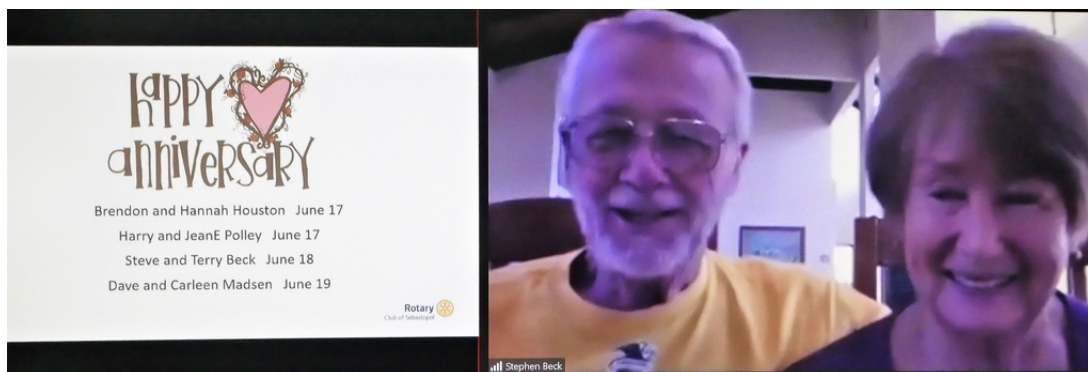
Because of Saturday's De-Bunking, we will be dark this Friday. We will also be dark the following Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our next zoom meeting will be on Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>. **Incoming President Dan Rasmus** thanked **Keller** for the reminder. **Dan** assured us that he will be there for the occasion. Don't skip town at the last minute!



### RECOGNITIONS



**Steve** and **Terry Beck** had a wonderful anniversary on June 18<sup>th</sup>. We learned that **Steve** and **Terry** opened up a grand bottle of Argentinean Red Wine to celebrate the day. All of the others celebrating anniversaries, **Brendon** and **Hannah Houston** (June 17<sup>th</sup>), **Harry** and **Jean Polley** (June 17<sup>th</sup>), and **Dave** and **Carleen Madsen** (June 19<sup>th</sup>) skipped town. Congratulations to everyone.



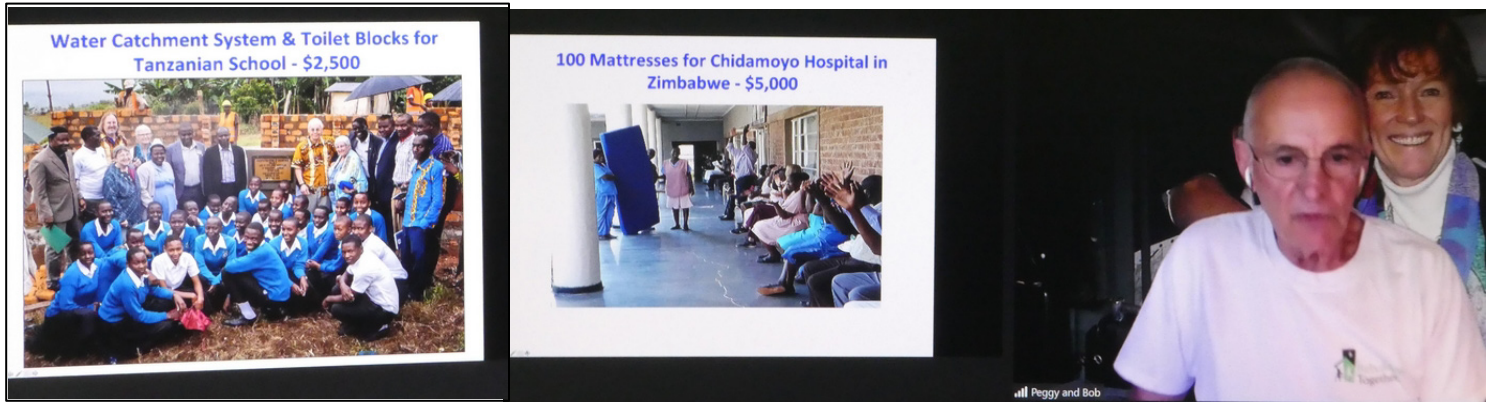
### SPOTLIGHT ON INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS



**Keller** swung the Roto-spotlight on World Community Service Committee chair, **Bob Rogers**, and all of the international projects our club has participated in over the past two years. **Bob** spoke about five projects, the first of which is the Chidamoyo Hospital in Zimbabwe. Our club has donated a generator, an ambulance, and blood machines. Recently, we replaced every mattress in their hospital. Near Puerto Vallarta, we worked with our sister club, Puerto Vallarta Sur, to provide high capacity water filters to families that rely on a polluted water source. The filters, which are placed in buckets, are constructed by volunteers, and have a ten-year shelf life. We worked with Rotary Club One in Chicago to help bring cervical cancer screenings to Senegal. They have the 15<sup>th</sup> highest cervical cancer rate in the world. In Tanzania, we worked with the Sunrise Club, the Rohnert



Park/Cotati Club, Santa Rosa East Club, and the Petaluma Valley Club to bring a water catchment system to a school. Students were originally forced to carry water buckets two miles each day.

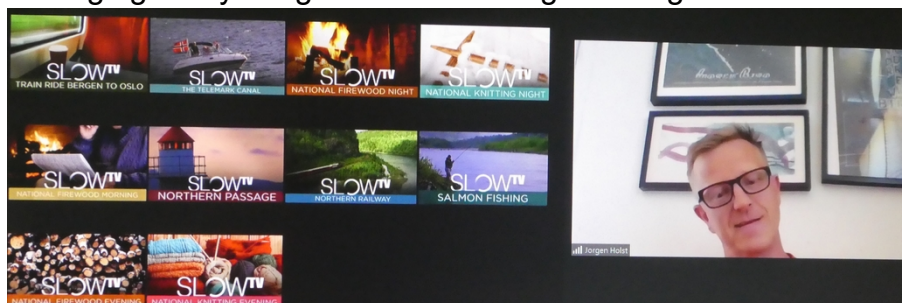


The catchment system and tank stopped this practice. Additionally, we provided proper toilet facilities, which benefited young women starting their menstrual cycles, whom historically drop out of school because of this. Finally, **Bob** spoke about a water project in Rigones, Honduras. Our club helped fund construction of a water distribution and filtration system serving 5,000 people. In summary, we did good. Many thanks to **Bob Rogers** and his team for their dedication. Bob noted that the Gates Foundation two-for one Polio Plus match ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>. You can double your impact, and your Paul Harris points. Donate at: <https://www.endpolio.org/donate>

## THE PROGRAM

**Keller** turned the meeting over to our own **Jorgen Holst**, who spoke about a purely Norwegian concept, Slow TV. What is the concept of Slow TV? Well, in our fast paced, hectic world, its something we all need right now. Slow TV is watching an ordinary event from beginning to end. The concept started with Andy Warhol in the 1960's, when he filmed his friend sleeping. In 1966, the concept of Slow TV hit the air waves of New York. Television station WPIX began airing the Christmas Yule Log, which quickly became an annual tradition. In the late 2000's, Norway's public broadcasting agency began airing Slow TV events. The first was a seven hour winter train ride, *Bergensbanen minute by minute – train journey across Southern Norway*, from Bergen to Oslo. The event became so popular with viewers, that they started airing more Slow TV shows, including a live broadcast of a 134-hour boat cruise, which experienced high viewership. People even gathered to welcome the ship into port.

Norwegian Slow TV events quickly gathered an international following, and became a great travel marketing tool. Slow TV events then started to move into non-travel events, such as the National Knitting Contest, and the National Choir singing every song from the Norwegian Song Book. Slow TV, or Sakte-TV, became the word of the year in 2013. Currently, Norway Public Broadcasting is producing a cross-country bike ride. A search on YouTube will reveal thousands of SlowTV movies.



If the stress of the day is getting to you, a SlowTV movie is a perfect De-stressor.

Here are links to some of the best recordings on Youtube:

[The original train ride from Oslo to Bergen.](#)

[Hurtigruta boat going into the gorgeous Geiranger fjord.](#)

[Nordlandsbanen - Train ride to the arctic circle.](#)

[Flight over Northern Norway archipelago](#)



## THE FINAL BELL



With a crack of the bell, President Keller brought our final Friday meeting for the Rotary year to a close. Remember, we are dark next Friday! And, a belated Happy Father's Day to all of the dads out there!

Before we sign off for this week and presidential period, we did get a letter to the editor, which we'll print here in its entirety:

As we pause this week with no meeting till the first time ever cyber-debunking of President Keller I wish to give thanks for his leadership.

Our Rotary president Keller McDonald has led our club through periods of physical separation and natural disasters.

I'll never forget being at the S.R. country club setting up for our major club fundraiser and being told to go home to prepare to evacuate ahead of the approaching fire-storm.

Undeterred Keller rescheduled that event and pulled off a fundraiser that we wondered would ever happen.

Now after leading our club through a time of no physical meetings because of a pandemic that no one, not even our parents have seen he is at the end of his year as our Rotary President.

Many of us wondered if our club would survive with zoom meetings but thanks to club members Tom Boag & Ken Jacobs computer knowledge & expertise Keller has led us Onward-through-the-fog of uncertainty to the completion of his tenure and kept the our club together with attendance via Zoom meetings.

These cyber meetings have been interesting, informative and allows us to keep in touch with our Rotary friends.

When I was photographing Keller at the beginning of his term I asked him why he was serving as President again as a past-president of another club. His jovial facial expression changed from the friendly smile we are use to seeing to a more serious form as he replied, "Because they asked me."

Thank you Keller for accepting the challenge of this year and leading us through uncharted territories. You were the perfect president for our Rotary club during these trying times.

H.H.



# Debunking of President Keller McDonald

Watch this video now = <https://vimeo.com/421688682>

**COME CELEBRATE OUR ROTARY YEAR & GIVE  
KELLER A GREAT SEND-OFF!**

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**'OPTIONAL' DINNER CATERED BY MEXICO LINDO IN GRATON**

**(CURBSIDE PICK-UP & TAKE HOME BEFORE THE EVENT) ORDER DEADLINE: 6-25-20, 5:00PM**

***MENU (SERVED W/BEANS & RICE)***

**STANDARD MENU**

CHILE COLORADO  
GREEN ENCHILADAS W/CHICKEN  
CHILE RELLENO  
MEATBALL SOUP  
MEXICAN FLAN

**VEGETARIAN MENU**

GREEN ENCHILADAS W/CHEESE  
VEGETARIAN FAJITAS  
CHILE RELLENO  
TORTILLA SOUP  
MEXICAN FLAN

**DINNER RESERVATIONS: \$25 PER PERSON**

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