



The Appleknocker

Sebastopol Rotary Club's Weekly Bulletin

State Senator Mike McGuire

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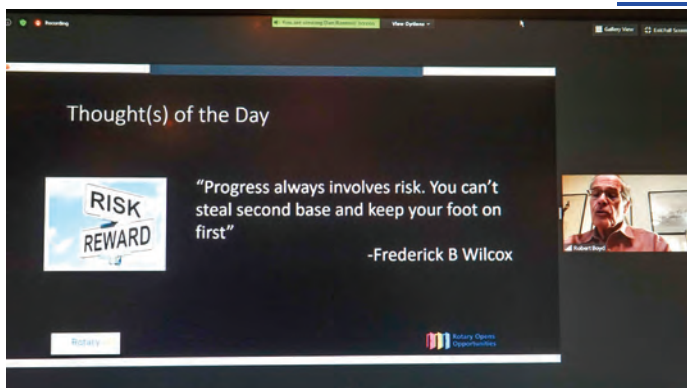
“All the News that Fits We Print”

BEFORE THE BELL

Thank God it's Friday! Those words never sounded any better, especially after the week of weather extremes Sonoma County experienced. In a period of three days, we experienced record setting temperatures, offshore Diablo winds, and a sky akin to a science fiction movie. On this Friday, hazardous smoke from devastating wildfires near and far blanketed Sebastopol, driving the Roto-flock inside. No hybrid meeting today, and for good reason. The air quality index at the start of our meeting was 200, officially in the unhealthy range. Nevertheless, the Roto-faithful pulled through, gathered by their screens, to enjoy each other's virtual company, and to hear from State Senator, and fellow Rotarian, Mike McGuire. On with the show!



AT THE BELL



President Dan Rasmus struck the hearty Roto-bell from his home office at 12:15pm sharp. **Dan** took a moment to remember all of those who perished on 9-11. May we never forget. **Bob Boyd** gave us two thoughts for the day.

“If you don’t know where you are going, you might windup someplace else.” Yogi Berra

“Progress always involves risk. You can’t steal second base and keep your feet on first.” Frederick B Wilcox

Future Programs

September 18

Ben Allen
Defying Gravity: Love in the
Time of Alzheimer's

September 25

Gil Sanborn
Russian Information Warfare

October 2

John Coate

Coming Events

Redwood Empire Food Bank
September 17

Thirsty Thursday
Sept 24

Laguna Foundation Workday
Sept 26

Miscellany

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS—scottbriggs50@yahoo.com

On-line Make-Ups:
www.RotaryEClubOne.org

Domestic Violence Hotline:
707-546-1234

sebastopolrotary.com

VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS

Dan welcomed Mark David Raymond from the Sebastopol Sunrise Club, and Gary Kimes of the Rotary Club of Broadmoor District in Colorado Springs, CO, and former Secretary of our club. Dan Bornstein was called away on an emergency quadruple root canal, or so the rumor goes! There were no guests in the virtual audience. **Dan** celebrated the start of football season this week. Expect **Dan** to sport a 49er's mask next week!



ROTARY REFLECTION

Dan swung the Roto-spotlight on our own loco brit, **Robin Maybury**, for his reflections on Rotary. **Robin** was invited by his neighbor, and fellow Rotarian, **Tom Lambert**, to join him at a Rotary meeting. He came to four meetings, but was unsure he could fit Rotary into his hectic work schedule. In 2014, all that changed with a new job, which allowed **Robin** to work from home, and find time for Rotary. He signed on the line, and became a Rotarian in 2014. **Robin** expressed how education is one of his passions, and how Rotary aligns with his values. He loves the work Rotary does to advance educational opportunity, both locally and globally. Since **Robin** joined in 2014, he's been involved in the Cool Kids Camp committee, which raises money to send underprivileged children to summer camp.

Robin mentioned how grateful he is to be apart of Rotary. Specifically, **Robin** mentioned how the members and their aspirations inspire him, and how he's gained a group of amazing friends who he values and trusts. He mentioned how new members are bringing amazing projects and possibilities to



the table. **Robin** mentioned how he would love to see our gender imbalance disappear, and is hopeful we will reach a gender balance. He finished by congratulating **Ellen Harrington** on her upcoming Presidency. Thank you for sharing your Rotary Reflection, **Robin**!



ANNOUNCEMENTS



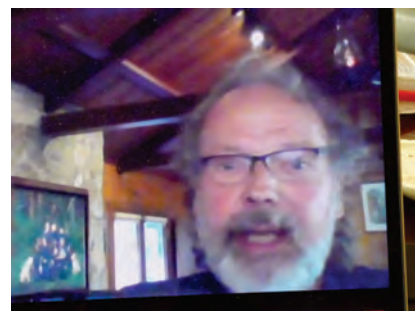
Signs of normalcy are slowly returning. We have a couple of volunteer opportunities coming up! Next week, our club will be returning to the Redwood Empire Food Bank for our monthly volunteer day. We will be working on Thursday, September 17th, from 2pm to 4pm. If you are interested in joining, contact **Cindy Carter** ASAP, as space is limited.

On Saturday, September 26th, we will have our annual work day at the Laguna Environmental Center, from 9am to noon. If you want to join us, please let **Cindy** know. Again, space is limited. But wait, there's more!



Our world famous Thirsty Third Thursday is coming back.....although it's on the fourth Thursday of the month, but who cares, it's back! We'll be meeting in the picnic area at Balletto Vineyards and Winery on Thursday, September 24th, from 5pm to 7pm. Enjoy some great wine, epicurean delights from our own **Mario Ramos** and Mexico Lindo, and the company of your fellow Rotarians!

Got an opinion you want to get off your chest? Some helpful hints you want to pass along? Well, the AppleKnocker team wants to hear from you! **Harvey Henningsen** announced a new Letters to the Editor section coming to the AppleKnocker. Look for it in the After the Bell section. If you have something you want to submit, email it to our Perry White, Chief Editor, **David "Don't call me chief!" Still**. We have one this week from a car buff longing and yearning for a classic automobile.



RECOGNITIONS

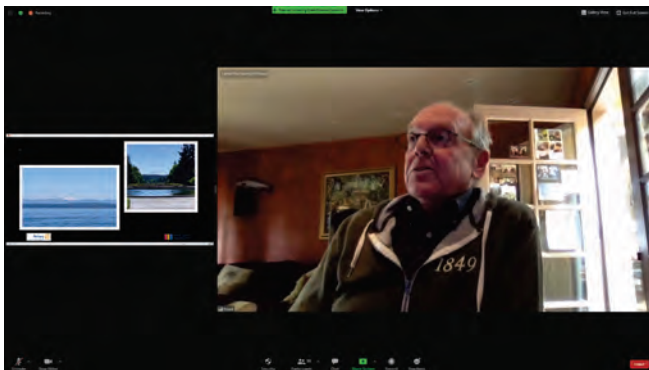


Ron "The Pooch" Puccinelli celebrated a birthday on September 10th. He was either too busy celebrating his birthday, or protecting his wallet from **Dan's** hands! Happy Birthday! I guess those celebrating their anniversaries had the same thought, too!

Guenter and **Elaine Meiburg** celebrated their big day on September 7th. **Gene** and **Betty Nelson** were busy celebrating their big day (September 11th). Same with **Greg** and **Kathi Jacobs**! **Guenter**, **Gene**, and **Greg** were nowhere to be seen.



The only one who was present was our own “**Bud Man**”, **Bud Daviero**. **Bud** and **Sharon** celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on September 9th. Congratulations to all! Last, but certainly not least, **Bill Daniels** celebrated his 19th anniversary with our club. Congratulations, **Bill**!



Mark Stevens was yearning for a Tesla, so he grabbed one! He was a touch unsure how the charging stations worked, he too it for a spin in the Pacific Northwest! He recently sold two wineries, and took a well-deserved week off in Seattle and the San Juan Islands. That had to be \$10 worth of fun!

Edwin and Diana Wilson are grandparents! They welcomed their second grandchild, Lenora, into the world on September 6th. Diana is currently with her granddaughter, and Edwin will be joining them soon. He contributed \$100 towards Lenora's Paul Harris account, and gave \$100 to the Sebastopol Rotary Education Foundation. Congratulations, Edwin and Diana!



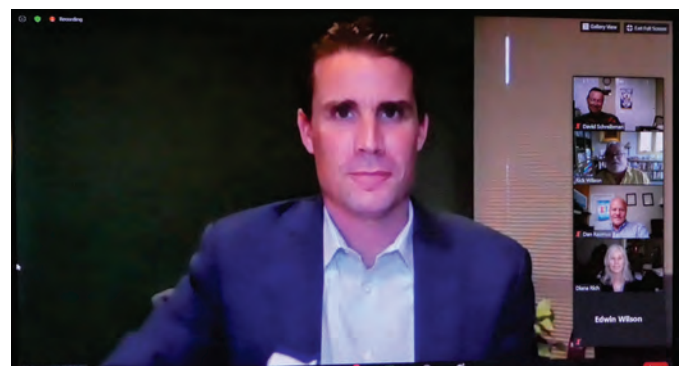
We have a potential politician in our family. Our own Diana Rich is running for Sebastopol City Council. She told us how this experience has given her so many opportunities to connect and interact with people. The work she is putting into her campaign is keeping her away from the news, which Diana appreciates! .



PROGRAM



Rick Wilson introduced our speaker today. Someone who is not a stranger to our club, and not a stranger to the community, State Senator, and member of the Rotary Club of Healdsburg, Mike McGuire. The Senator started with an overview of the wildfire situation. So far this fire season, over three million acres have burned. The August Complex, burning in the Mendocino National Forest is now over 700,000 acres, making it the largest wildfire in California history. It continues to burn west into Mendocino and Humboldt Counties. Almost 90% of the Mendocino National Forest has been scared by wildfires in the past two years. There's also concern for Del Norte County, as the Slater Fire continues to burn west towards the coast. Mike noted that almost all fire resources in California are



committed to the wildfires. The state continues to strengthen the reach of Cal Fire, through hiring new and seasonal fire fighters, and the purchase of new Blackhawk and C-130 planes, both re-purposed for fire suppression.

Senator McGuire moved onto the economy and the state budget. The state, along with other states, now has a substantial budget deficit. However, the picture is not as bleak in California. The state tapped into its rainy-day fund to bridge the budget divide. Thankfully, 55% of the reserve is still in the bank. Sales taxes of online purchases is also softening the impact, both at the state and local levels. The state is still dealing with massive unemployment (currently at 3.7 million). The state recently gave schools \$5.3 billion to help upgrade internet infrastructure, provide wireless hot spots, and computers and tablets to students. Cal Fire also received a budget increase of \$75 million.

The senator moved onto the state's response to the Coronavirus. California is starting to see a big decrease in the spread of COVID-19. Hospitalization and ICU numbers are also decreasing. The state is working to make test results available in 48 hours or less. They are working with public and private laboratories statewide to make this happen. They're also working on making rapid testing available at schools for students and faculty. States, including California, are working together to bulk purchase PPE supplies. The state is in this for the long haul, and for good reason. According to the University of California, a vaccine will not be available until the second quarter of 2021. However, the chance of a drug cocktail, which would mitigate COVID-19 symptoms, could be available by the end of the year. Do not expect life to return to normal until the end of 2021.

Senator McGuire touched on PG&E. While he stated there have been some improvements, the Senator noted that these improvements only took place because of enforcement actions by the state. He has doubts about PG&E's long term plans. The Senator mentioned that plans for curbside dining on Main Street are in the works. The city is working with CalTrans to allow for some restaurants to move out onto the street; a move other cities across the area are doing. He concluded with a discussion on law enforcement reforms. Senator McGuire reported that Assembly Bill 1506, requiring the State Department of Justice to investigate every officer involved shooting, is awaiting the Governor's signature. The state also banned the use of choke holds. A bill banning the use tear gas, pepper balls, and rubber balls did not pass. Additionally, a bill to decertify officers who commit bad conduct also did not pass. Senator McGuire stressed an appreciation and support for law enforcement, a profession that runs in the Senator's family. He acknowledged that law enforcement is now a catch all, forcing officers to deal with many issues.

THE FINAL BELL

President Dan thanked the Senator for talking with us, and adjourned the meeting at 1:15pm.

AFTER THE BELL

We end this week's AppleKnocker on a sad note. On Saturday, September 12th, **Yvette Williams van Aggelen** passed away, after a long battle with health issues. The family has asked for privacy during this time. We will have a special feature in next week's AppleKnocker, celebrating the life of this amazing woman. Please keep **Yvette's** family and friends in your prayers. Godspeed **Yvette**, and rest in peace.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editors,

I have fallen in LoveAgain!.....With a 1937 Chord. I've discussed this fascination with my wife but she seems unmoved & somewhat angry. Her position that we have no more garage space & that I don't need another vehicle seems unreasonable. What advice do you have that would fulfill my current infatuation and comfort my sweetheart?

Signed, Carving-a-Chord

FUTURE PROGRAMS

September 18, 2020: Ben Allen, Defying Gravity: Love in the Time of Alzheimer's



Ben Allen is a programs & education specialist and coordinator of the art program, Memories in the Making® at Alzheimer's Orange County. For the last ten years, he has been educating families and community groups on Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. Ben retired from AT&T where he had a 33-year career as a project manager, training developer, instructor, and data analyst. Ben received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of San Francisco.



The PolioPlus Society District 5130



A great opportunity to do good in the world.

To become a member all you need to do is complete the PolioPlus Society pledge form, scan and send to Bob Rogers at crobertrogers@comcast.net. As a member of the Society you pledge to donate a minimum of \$100 USD each year until the world is certified polio free by the World Health Organization.

Rotarians and their friends who join the Society will be honored with a special pin, certificate and an "End Polio Now" bracelet which will be presented at a Club meeting.

Of course, all donations will be matched 2 to 1 by the Gates Foundation making this an even better opportunity, as well as receiving Paul Harris Credit for your donation. If you donate before World Polio Day (October 24th), we will **DOUBLE** your recognition points.

The easiest way to donate is to go to go to
endpolio.org/donate

or by "hovering" over the QR code on the bottom of this flyer with your smartphone's camera. You can then:

- Make a onetime donation of \$100 (or more) with your credit card by clicking on the "One-time donation" button and choosing the appropriate amount from the boxes below.
- The other choice is what we call the easy or "painless" way to become a PolioPlus Society member by utilizing the monthly payment option. Click the "Recurring Donation" button. For frequency choose "monthly" and for amount choose "other" and enter \$10 in the "enter other amount" box. If you wish to donate more, or quarterly or annually instead, you have those choices as well. (To donate online, make sure you have registered on myrotary.org for a My Rotary account for you and your club to receive proper credit. Signing up is quick and easy).

You can also donate by writing a check to "The Rotary Foundation" with "PolioPlus" in the memo section and submitting to Lu Frazier, our club's Foundation Chair. Help Rotarians reach every last child and achieve our vision of a polio free world.

Sign up today!



Rotary
District 5130



Rotary Club of Sebastopol – Board Report Summary – September 08, 2020

President's Report to the Club for September 2020

Fellow Club Members and Friends,

As **Past President Keller McDonald** told our District Governor Doug Johnson during his visit to our club in August: "During Covid-19 and the recent fires, our club asks **what can we do**...not woe is me, look what we can't do!" That pretty much sums up our club!

I am so proud to lead this incredible collection of Rotarians who, no matter what the obstacle, continue to push forward and make positive changes in our community and around the world...while having a little fun along the way.

Despite the challenges, our club is doing some great things:

- Our program committee has delivered diverse programs consisting of educational, inspirational, and entertaining topics.
- The Mark Sell Teacher Grant applications have been distributed for the fall, just when our teachers need it most.
- Two separate volunteer opportunities have been setup during September, and others are being planned.
- Thirsty Third Thursdays have been arranged giving members a chance for safe socialization this Fall.
- The AppleKnocker team continues to deliver excellence each week
- Our AV team and many other volunteers are going above and beyond to make our weekly meetings one of the more unique experiences in the District.
- Several International projects are being investigated for funding; *Programma De Becas* scholarships are moving forward; and Polio Plus remains a club focus.
- Our 3 Interact clubs have started meeting again (or will be soon) despite Distance Learning at the schools.
- And, we remain supportive of each other (and families) during these difficult times.

Thank you for your amazing service!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Dan Rasmus

Rotary Club of Sebastopol President, 2020-2021



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COMMUNITY SERVICE AREA – CINDY CARTER, DIRECTOR:

COMMUNITY GRANTS (**Richard Power**, Chair) – No updates this month.

Committee Members: **Cindy Carter, Aleia Coate, Jack Dunlap, Jorgen Holst, Jackie Moreira, David Schreibman**

COMMUNITY & GLOBAL ISSUES, VOLUNTEER PROJECTS (**Diana Rich**, Chair) – 1) Redwood Empire Food Bank workday scheduled for 9/17/20 – Contact **Cindy Carter**. 2) Laguna Foundation workday scheduled for 9/26/20 – Contact **Cindy Carter**. 3) Planning in the works for a possible workday at cool Kids Camp (a.k.a., Cloverleaf Ranch) with Petaluma Valley Club.

Committee Interest: Steve Beck, Tom Boag, Keller McDonald, Jim Pacatte; YTWCA & Laguna: Ellen Harrington (Ch), Patrick Dirden, Sue Engle; R.E.F.B: Jerry Warren, Tom Boag, Sue Engle, Gene Nelson, Harry Polley, David Schreibman; Home for Homeless: Mete Senocak (Ch), Steve Beck, Ruthie Dunlap, Sue Engle, Gene Nelson,

CRAB FEED (**Scott Briggs, Nao Noguchi, Patrick Dirden**, Co-Chairs) – No updates this month. As reported in July, the Crab Feed is scheduled for Saturday, February 13, 2021. Committee meetings will start in October.

Committee Interest: **Tom Boag, Ruthie Dunlap, Mike Ferguson, Larry Ford, Tony Given, Greg Jacobs, Michele Kimble, Hal Kwalwasser, Keller McDonald, Bob Rogers**

DICTIONARY PROJECT (**Paul Yeomans**, Chair) – No update this month.

Committee Interest: Ruthie Dunlap, Pam Graber, Harvey Henningsen, Bob Hirsch, Robin Maybury

"BIG" FUNDRAISER (**Aleia Coate**, Chair) – No update this month. Date set for May 1, 2021 at Balletto's.

Committee Members: Bristol Hassler, Michele Kimble, Jackie Moreira, Ameer Sas, Rick Wilson, (plus Brendon Houston, David Schreibman)

LEARN TO SWIM (**Greg Jacobs, Rick Wilson**, Co-Chairs) – No Fall 2020 LTS for last year's second graders. April/May 2021 program is dependent on COVID-19.

Committee Interest: Larry Ford, Jackie Moreira,

MARK SELL ROTARY TEACHER GRANTS (**Jack Blasco, Torrey Olson**, Co-Chairs) – An email was sent to school principals on September 1 announcing that the application period for the fall round of grants will open on September 15 and close on October 15.

Committee Members: Jack Blasco, Torrey Olson, Co-Chairs: Barbara Bickford, Tom Boag, Patrick Dirden, Ruthie Dunlap, Ellen Harrington, Bob Hirsch, Hal Kwalwasser, Harry Polley, Richard Power, David Schreibman, Laura Victor van Gorder

SPONSORSHIPS COMMITTEE (**Ellen Harrington, Patrick Dirden**, Co-Chairs) – The updated sponsorship package should be ready the second week of September.

Committee Interest: Tom Boag, Lu Frazier



VOCATIONAL / YOUTH SERVICE AREA – ROBIN MAYBURY, DIRECTOR:

COOL KIDS CAMP (Multi Club Program) (**Robin Maybury**, Chair) – Nothing happening this year with Cool Kids Camp. They only ran day camps this year. They are hoping to accommodate Cool Kids again in 2021. Our hosts, Cloverleaf Ranch, are looking for help with several projects, see the Wish List. **Dan Rasmus** has a copy of that list. I checked with my co-Chair, **Libby Fitzgerald**. Diana Rich and Jim Passage tell me their committee (Community Service) might be able to help with some of the Wish List items.

September: 31Aug20: Four Rotarians from our club (**Ellen Harrington**, Cindy Carter, **Steve Beck**, and **Robin Maybury**) as well as **Libby Fitzgerald** from Petaluma Valley club visited Cloverleaf Ranch and were given a tour, to identify where Rotary might be able to help with continuing wild fire recovery efforts. #1 project is concreting posts and connecting together 16' rails of plastic fencing they have on site. It will create a horse paddock with 1,000 linear feet of fence. We are now awaiting their project plan and will be reaching out to our club and Libby's for volunteers.

Committee Interest: Tom Boag, Patrick Dirden, Keller McDonald

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

Committee Interest: Lu Frazier, Diana Rich

HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH CONTEST (**Larry Ford**, **Richard Power**, Co-Chairs) – **Richard** and **Larry** will co-chair the Speech contest which will be early Spring and coordinate the date with the Overcoming Obstacles committee.

Committee Interest: Mia Del Prete, Tony Given, Pam Graber

INTERACT (ANALY, TWIN HILLS, BROOK HAVEN) (**Pauline Pellini**, Chair) – School started at home via Chrome Books. Pauline has been in contact with both Brook Haven and Twin Hills and we are working to find a way to meet via zoom. Because both schools are fine tuning schedules, we will not start interact meetings until the end of September or the beginning of October. Both schools are committed to having Interact up and going for this unusual school year.

Committee Interest: Gail Gijzen, Jackie Moreira; Anal: Gail Gijzen; Brook Haven: Ruthie Dunlap, Pauline Pellini, Laura Victor van Gorder; Twin Hills: Mia Del Prete, Pauline Pellini

OVERCOMING OBSTACLES AWARD (**Tom Boag**, **Hal Kwalwasser**, **David Schreiber**, Co-Chairs) – No update – other than they might try to do this remotely, e.g. via Zoom. **Tom**, **Hal**, and **David** met 9/9 to discuss OOA 2021, considering changes in student applications and discussions with school principals and scholarship coordinators about program focus. We are working on deciding event date (April-May) and encouraging applications.

Committee Interest: Bob Cugini, Mia Del Prete, Ruthie Dunlap, Tony Given, Pam Graber, Ellen Harrington, Greg Jacobs, Robin Maybury, Richard Petersen, Harry Simms, David Still, Laura Victor van Gorder, Yvette Williams van Aggelen, Rick Wilson

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA) (Multi Club Program) (**Gail Gijzen**, **Cindy Carter**, Co-Chairs) – **Gail** and **Cindy** are developing their plans and will have a more substantial report in January 2021.

Committee Interest: Tom Boag, David Schreiber

SRJC SCHOLARSHIPS (**Jim Passage**, Chair) – No report at this time.

Committee Interest: Henry Alker, Tom Boag, Scott Briggs, Hal Kwalwasser, Laura Victor van Gorder

YOUTH EXCHANGE (Multi Club Program) (**Aleia Coate**, **Jackie Moreira**, **Katy Spycka**, **Yvette Williams van Aggelen**, Co-Chairs) – No update

LEARN WITH ME (**Linda Irving**, Chair) – No update.

Committee Interest: Patti Blount, Lu Frazier

CLUB SERVICE – BOB BOYD, DIRECTOR:

APPLEKNOCKER EDITORS (**David Still**, Chair); Subcommittees: PHOTOGRAPHY (**Harvey Henningsen**, **Jack Dunlap**, Co-Chairs), SCRIBES (**Patrick Dirden**, Chair) – No new report.

Committee Interest: Editors: David Still (Ch), **Tom Boag**, Patrick Dirden, Harvey Henningsen; Scribes: Patrick Dirden (Ch), Lu Frazier, Tony Given, Harvey Henningsen, Greg Jacobs, Robin Maybury, Gene Nelson, Jim Passage, Bob Rogers, David Schreiber; Photographers: Harvey Henningsen (Co-Ch), Jack Dunlap (Co-Ch), **Tom Boag**, Karen Daniels, Patrick Dirden, Mike Ferguson, Larry Ford, Robin Maybury, David Schreiber, Jerry Warren

AUDIO/VISUAL TEAM (**Paul Thielen**, Chair) – ZOOM MEETINGS (**John Blount**, A/V Techie; **Tom Boag**, **Jack Dunlap**, **Ken Jacobs**, Co-Hosts) – The committee purchased a trailer for \$7,1436.06 which they said they had discussed with (**Dan Rasmus**) before buying it. They also bought a mixing board to manage the three cameras and sound for the live portion of the Friday meetings. **John Blount** bought the equipment but **Paul** hasn't found out how much it cost but will find out when John returns in three weeks. No other issues or concerns of which I am aware.

Committee Interest: John Blount, Tom Boag, Ron Puccinelli, Bob Rogers, Edwin Wilson

GREETERS (**TBD**, Chair) – No new report.

Committee Interest: Steve Beck

CLUB ARCHIVES (**Chair: Tom Boag**) – No new report.

Committee Interest: Patti Blount, Harvey Henningsen

MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS: SUNSHINE AND RAIN (**Mark Fink**, Chair); Subcommittees: ANNIVERSARY CARDS (**Sue Engle**, Chair), BIRTHDAY CALLER (**Pam Graber**, Chair) – No new report

Committee Interest: Sunshine and Rain: Mark Fink (Ch), Harry Polley, Edwin Wilson; Anniversary Cards: Pam Graber (Ch), Sue Engle; Birthday Cards: Sue Engle, Ruthie Dunlap

MEMBERSHIP (**David Schreiber**, Chair); Subcommittees: ROTARY INFORMATION, MENTORING, NEW MEMBER ATTRACTION) – The Membership committee's efforts have been primarily focused on retention. As of 9/1/20, over 20 members had not yet paid their dues and the committee is actively trying to help those who don't attend Zoom meetings to stay engaged. The Committee believes that "Rotary Moments" during meetings are an excellent way to encourage others to invite new members.



Committee Interest: David Schreiber (Ch), Tom Boag, Keller McDonald; Mentoring: Jack Blasco, Tom Boag, Ruthie Dunlap, Ellen Harrington, Jim Passage;
New Member Attraction: Sue Engle; Member Retention: Jack Blasco, Sue Engle, Ellen Harrington, Greg Jacobs

PROGRAMS (**Jeff Boal, David Still, Co-Chairs**) – No report

Committee Members: Jeff Boal (co-Ch); David Still (Co-Ch); Barbara Beedon, Tom Boag, Aleia Coate, Patrick Dirden, Pam Graber, Dan Rasmus, Rick Wilson

PUBLIC IMAGE (**Hal Kwalwasser**, Chair; Subcommittees: PRINT/RADIO, TV AD MEDIA, SOCIAL MEDIA, WEB DESIGN AND MAINTENANCE, WEBPAGE (Webmaster, **Robin Maybury**) – No report

Committee Interest: Hal Kwalwasser (Ch), Tom Boag; Social Media: Patrick Dirden; Web Design and Maintenance: Robin Maybury (Ch), Cindy Carter, Mete Senocak

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS (**Nao Noguchi**, Chair) – No report

Committee Interest: Tom Dille, Tony Given, Jim Pacatte

CLUB ACTIVITIES – JOHN BLOUNT, DIRECTOR:

No written report submitted by Director Blount this month – However we recorded several comments he made at the board meeting... Other comments from last month's report....

ACTIVITIES GROUPS (**TBD**, Chair) – These are small socially focused groups that are already meeting. The goal would be to introduce those to others who may be interested in joining on in a safe manner and stimulating fellowship between the various Activities Groups. The groups, so far, are fishing, golf, poker, biking. One goal will be to publicize these groups after approval from an agreed-upon group leader.

APPLE BLOSSOM PARADE FLOAT (**TBD**, Chair) – This is a combined club member engagement, public image event that has us creating, planning, and constructing a float, with wide participation, however intense or casual, for a fun experience that will culminate at the Apple blossom Parade.

CLUB PICNIC (**TBD**, Chair) – Gathering for Rotary families to play, eat, and socialize together. Schedule for Spring 2021.

DEBUNKING (**Ken Jacobs**, Chair) – Our final event of the Rotary year that both celebrates the personal contribution of the **President**, highlights the actions of our club, and transitions with momentum to the next leader.

Committee Interest: Tom Boag, Tony Given, Keller McDonald, Gene Nelson, Aldean Noethig, Bob Rogers, David Schreiber

THIRSTY THIRD THURSDAY (**TBD**, Chair) – Once a month, we wish to have a casual gathering of Rotarians and guests at a local site for refreshments, munchies, and great conversation. This will be a club event that urges Rotarians to invite friends to. The venues will change each month. This is, of course, contingent on the ability to meet in accordance with Sonoma County rules. A Thirsty Third Thursday even has been scheduled at Balletto Winery for September 24, with food for purchase to be provided by **Mario's** restaurant, Mexico Lindo. Other events are being worked on at Russian River Vineyards, pursuant to County COVID-19 guidelines.

THREE ON A STREET (**TBD**, Chair) – The concept is to find four 'streets' or areas where residences of three Rotarians are within walking distance of each other. Each will provide a venue for a unique part of a progressive meal that is within walking distance for the attending Rotarians. These will be daytime events.

SEBASTOPOL ROTARY GOLF TOURNAMENT (**TBD**, Chairs) – Every year, Sebastopol golfers, duffers, and friends get together to play for our own version of the green jacket, have a great dinner afterwards, and generally have a good time.

SEBASTOPOL ROTARY HOLIDAY PARTY (**TBD**, Chair) – This is our annual celebration of Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and New Year's, all rolled into one.

SUPER BOWL BOARD (**Aleia Coate**, Chair) – Every year the resident bookies of the club roll out their Super Bowl Boards and take "Donations" for the Sebastopol Rotary Education foundation. Scheduled for Winter 2021. Effort is continuing on this.

A PHOTOGRAPHY (hike and bike ride) group [not the same as the AK Photographer group] has been suggested as a safe activity.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE AREA – STEVE PRANDINI, DIRECTOR:

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (**Lu Frazier**, Chair) – Committee Chairperson reports that \$140 was donated to PHF by three people. Bob Rogers will be speaking this Friday about new Polio Plus Society projects that should make it easier for members to donate. This project also counts toward PHF donations.

Committee Interest: Steve Beck, Frank Mayhew

WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE (**Bob Rogers**, Chair) – The only thing I have to report is the completion of Sebastopol Sunrise Rotary's Global Grant water project for the Iluhya School in Tanzania that we supported with \$2,625 (\$8,875 after the matches by District DDF and TRG's World fund). This project was started in the 18/19 Rotary year and funded in the 19/20 rotary year. Jerry Meshulam of Sebastopol Sunrise Rotary Club sent an email to our board... note that he submitted a story to the Sonoma West Times and News and it got published (Here is a link <https://tinyurl.com/yx97rtti>).

Jerry has offered to do a presentation on this project as a speaker at one of our weekly meetings. I've heard from other clubs that it is great presentation and I recommend the board take him up on his offer. *PROGRAMMA DE BECAS* – Our participation with the *Puerto Vallarta Sur* club continues. We are committed to funding 12 students for the 2020.2021 year for a total of \$4,000 from 11 Rotarians all from our club. The committee will be enhanced with **Tom Lambert** and **Steve Beck** joining **Dorothy Rodella**. The recent mandatory evacuations from our home slowed mail delivery of donor checks. I expect the final check this week. Monies will then be wired to Mexico. Goal will be to refresh our approach to this program and perhaps grow its participation with timely information and a club presentation of the project sometime before the end of this Rotary year.

WCC Committee Members: Chair: Bob Rogers; Steve Beck, Frank Mayhew, Keller McDonald, Harry Polley

Programma De Becas Committee Interest: Gene Nelson, Dorothy Rodella, Tom Lambert, Steve Beck

