



# *The Appleknocker*

## *Sebastopol Rotary Club's Weekly Bulletin*

### An Update On The Sebastopol Police Department



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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"All the News that Fits We Print"



### BEFORE THE BELL



Here we are again at the Memorial Hall of the Sebastopol Community Church. It's the Rotary Club of Sebastopol and it seems like old times.



### AT THE BELL



The bell ringing was slightly delayed (maybe 30 seconds) as it appeared that we had a new Audio-Visual crew member fussing with the system. But no ... it was our soon to be guest speaker and present day Chief of Police setting up his program. Just let him do it and back away slowly.

At any rate, the bell was rung and **President Ellen Harrington** called the meeting to order. **Russ Cunningham** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Pauline Pellini** gave us the thought for the day – "No one rises to low expectations". She was unable to credit this thought as she saw it painted on the wall on one of her travels. Yes, travel can be broadening.



### VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS



**President Ellen** and **Jim Passage** both introduced visiting Rotarians Kathy and Ed Smith. They are from the Russian River Rotary Club and Kathy is this year's President. **Keller McDonald** introduced his guest Carl Tennenbaum from San Francisco. Also introduced was Katherine Hicks – educator.



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

## 🍎 Future Programs 🍎

July 23, 2021  
**John Blount, D.D.S. -  
Rotary's Powerful  
Connections**

July 30, 2021  
**Ky Boyd - Are Streaming  
Services Killing our  
Theaters?**

## Coming Events

July 29, 2021  
**Rotary Volunteer Day at  
Redwood Empire Food  
Bank**

## 🍎 Miscellany 🍎

**MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS:** [scottbriggs50@yahoo.com](mailto:scottbriggs50@yahoo.com)

**On-line Make-Ups:**  
[www.RotaryEClubOne.org](http://www.RotaryEClubOne.org)

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

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

**President Ellen** pointed out that in the house were Trends Catering owner Susan Borowitz and her sous chef Diane Larkin. Thanks for the great lunch guys.



## 🍎 RECOGNITIONS 🍎



Lunch finished – **President Ellen** called on **Dorothy Rodella** who recently had a birthday. 7/15. Since **Dorothy's** Anniversary also happens about now, she broke into song out of sheer happiness. She gave a quick rendition of the classic "Happy Anniversary" last sung by Barney Rubble and Fred Flintstone in duet with Betty and Wilma. You can look it up. Made you kind of miss **Keller** and his pitch pipe but it was right on key anyway.

**Greg Jacobs** will have a birthday celebration on 7/17 and plans to look for birds at Bodega Bay. I have heard that there are lots of birds at Bodega Bay. In fact, there is a movie about them. Be careful **Greg**. Since **Greg** plans to enjoy a beverage with **Gene Nelson** on his special day, he attempted to have **Gene** fined \$5. No sale **Greg** – **Ellen** will make her own judgements on fines levied.



**Frank and Kathie Mayhew's** anniversary was on July 16. **Frank** said these have been the happiest 27 years of his life. What a romantic, no? They were off to Blue Ridge Kitchen for celebration.





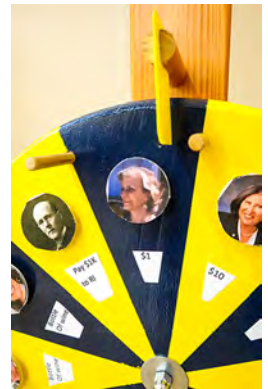
**Sue Engle** had a one year Rotary anniversary. But she was in the club before. But then she joined again. It's complicated. Happy anniversary **Sue**, we are glad you are back.



## RAFFLE TIME



Well – we are getting used to the excitement engendered by the *Wheel of Misfortune*. It actually seemed to spin a little faster this time. Maybe they oiled it. **Robin Maybury** had the lucky number and gave it a whirl. He landed – wait for it – on the tiny picture of **President Ellen Harrington**. What is this? The grand prize probably. Sorry – **Robin** got one dollar.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



July 29 will be your chance to help out at the Redwood Empire Food Bank. The hours 2 PM to 4 PM. The honcho – **Cindy Carter**.

**President Ellen** announced that the coalition of service organizations spearheaded by our own **Hal Kwalwasser** and **Ellen** too have given themselves a name. The eight non-profits joining together for the betterment of the community will be called the Sebastopol Service and Action Coalition. Groups include our club, the Sunrise Club, The Lions, the Kiwanis and others.



As you know, there will be a series of Peacetown concerts at the Barlow this summer and the Action Coalition will be staffing an information table near Acme Pizza. The concerts run from July 7 through September 8 from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM. You might be asked to help out.



## CLUB ACTIVITIES



**Sue Engle** from the President's Board of Directors took the lectern to discuss her area of focus – Club Activities. The club has lots of plans and they sound like fun.



The club will be walking in the Apple Blossom Parade on September 18. Get your exercise, represent and have fun all at once.

Friendship dinners, usually held around March, will be organized by **Jack and Ruthie Dunlap** this year.

Happy Hour socials will be ongoing. There was a big one on July 16 already. Organizers are looking at a joint Happy Hour with the Sunrise club.

Mark your calendars for the birdwatching expeditions led by our intrepid **Keller McDonald** and **Greg Jacobs**. The first one is on September 17 at the Laguna de Santa Rosa and commences at 8:30 AM. That's when all the birds are out.

Including the early birds.

**Diana Rich** will be chairing the committee designated to DEBUNK the Presidency of **Ellen Harrington**. Its only her second meeting after all – never too early to start taking notes.

**Aleia Coate** is already working on the Super Bowl Board and the Golf Tournament. More on those later.

The Holiday Party is scheduled for December 11. It will be at **JT Martin's** house- a great place for parties.

Don't miss the club picnic to be held at **Bob and Peggy Rogers** place. It will be on September 11 so make plans to be there.

Obviously the Club Activities crew is off to a great start. Now is your chance to sign up for whichever committees interest you. **President Ellen** sent out the signup sheet via email and **Tom Boag** is looking to get them back soon so he can fill out rosters.

## THE PROGRAM



**Rick Wilson** introduced our guest speaker Kevin Kilgore, Chief of Police of Sebastopol. Kevin started his career in law enforcement in 1997 in a small town in Ohio and has continually moved on and up to bigger things. Prior to coming to Sebastopol, Kevin worked in the Police Department at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Chief Kilgore was hired as a sheriff when he was just 21 years old in Warren, Ohio near his hometown of Cincinnati. He transferred to a close-by town in Montgomery County. When his partner and soon to be husband came west to study in Los Angeles, Kevin came along. He signed on with the campus police at UCLA. During his fifteen years on the staff, he held many varied positions including training officer, legal officer and public information officer.



Kevin's husband is a physician and works in telemedicine. They have been together for seventeen years. They are jointly raising a dog and a horse. He enjoys cycling as a hobby. Due to his diverse experience in big city policing, Chief Kilgore was asked to teach diversity training to the force in UCLA. He designed and taught his own course from a real world perspective.

When asked about his priorities in his new job as Chief of Police in Sebastopol, he related that "his first concern at this time is taking care of his staff". The town has fourteen sworn officers and six administrative. As everyone knows, the community is asking a lot of police officers these days. The hours are long and the scrutiny is intense. Chief Kilgore said that his staff are great people and he wants to nurture and support them in the very difficult tasks they have taken on.

## THE FINAL BELL



**President Ellen** rang the bell at precisely 1:30 pm after a lively program with lots of questions and answers. The Club will make a donation to the Overcoming Obstacles scholarship program in Chief Kilgore's name.



## 🍎 AFTER THE BELL 🍎



## 🍎 FUTURE PROGRAMS 🍎

### July 23, 2021 - Rotary's Powerful Connections - John Blount, D.D.S., Past RI Director



John Blount began a lifelong investment in Rotary when he joined the Rotary Club of Sebastopol at the age of 27. In the recent past he served two years on Rotary International's Board of Directors; then chaired RI's global Communications Committee for two years. He led Rotary's elite world-wide training program for all incoming Governors, as Moderator of the 2015 International Assembly. Dr. Blount has recently retired as a dentist in private practice in Sebastopol, CA.

John is a 20-21 Outstanding Rotarian of the Year for the Rotary Club of Sebastopol.

## July 30, 2021 - Are Streaming Services Killing our Theaters? An update on the Movie Industry and on Rialto Cinemas - Ky Boyd



For the past twenty years, Ky Boyd has owned and operated Rialto Cinemas in Sonoma County. Currently located at 6868 McKinley Street in Sebastopol, Rialto Cinemas is Sonoma County's premiere movie theatre for independent, foreign, classic and major Hollywood films. Since opening in January, 2000, the theatre has been voted Sonoma County's favorite movie theatre for each of the past fourteen years by readers of the North Bay Bohemian. Just this year Ky, as proprietor of Rialto Cinemas, received the 2015 Sebastopol Community Award for Business of the Year. In 2001, the theatre won an Indy Award for bringing diversity in arts and culture to Sonoma County. That was the first time the award was given to a Sonoma County movie theatre. In 2005, the theatre received an award for innovative use of Media and Technology from the Sonoma County Mayor's Council on the employment of people with disabilities for its partnership with Community Resources for Independence in hosting a screening of the documentary

MURDERBALL for which 180 tickets were distributed free of charge to disabled persons. In June, 2007, Ky acquired the Elmwood Theatre in Berkeley, a three screen theatre in the Elmwood district of Berkeley at the intersection of College Avenue and Ashby. In July 2009, Ky acquired the Cerrito Theatre in El Cerrito, a two screen theatre on San Pablo Avenue in El Cerrito – the Cerrito serves food, beer and wine in addition to screening first-run films. In December 2015 Rialto Cinemas in Sebastopol began offering food, beer and wine, allowing patrons to watch, eat and enjoy - watch great movies, eat a delicious selection of food, and enjoy local beer and wine.

A native of Great Falls, Montana, Ky received a Bachelors degree in Business Management from the University of Montana in 1986 and a Master of Arts degree in Arts Administration from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music in 1991. He makes his home in Santa Rosa with his husband and their always-hungry cat, Alia.



# Rotary Club of Sebastopol – Board Report Summary – July 13, 2021

## President's Report to the Club for July 2021

Fellow Club Members and Friends,

As we start a new year, we are happy to all be meeting back together indoors at Memorial Hall with our catered lunches, our great Audio-Visual team, and our Sergeant-at-arms folks. We had an excellent turnout at our first meeting, and it was wonderful to find that all who attended were fully vaccinated.

Our board of directors started working on their assignments sometime prior to the start of this fiscal year. We generated two new committees for this year.

A study done in early Spring to find what our needs were in the community resulted in the startup of a Homelessness Committee. This committee has already done outreach to organizations to find potential projects our club could possibly support.

Environmental Sustainability supports Rotary International's new seventh area of focus, "Rotary supports activities that strengthen the conservation and protection of natural resources, advance environmental sustainability, and foster harmony between people and the environment." This committee has contacted several area organizations found through our community study and identified pertinent projects that may also be supported.

We are busy coordinating our plethora of other projects and are looking for many ways to make a difference in our community. I am looking forward to a productive year ahead.

**Ellen Harrington**



[You can see the full Directors' reports at ClubRunner| Member Area| MyClubRunner| ViewClubDocuments| BoardMeetingMinutes| 2021-2022. –Ed.]

## COMMUNITY SERVICE AREA – AMEE SAS, DIRECTOR:



ANNUAL MAJOR FUNDRAISER (**Keller McDonald**, Chair) – Event will be some Saturday in May. Waiting to hear from Senator Mike McGuire's office as to when he would be available to be the auctioneer.

Silent Auction (Amee Sas, Chair)

Decorations (Aleia Coate, Chair)

Ticket Sales / Reservations

Public Relations

CRAB FEED (**Scott Briggs, Nao Noguchi, Patrick Dirden**, Co-Chairs) – Nothing to report at this time. This committee typically does not start meeting until early fall. Event usually in February at the Holy Ghost Hall.

COMMUNITY GRANTS (**Cindy Carter, Richard Power**, Co-Chairs) – Update from **Cindy Carter**: 7/8/21 was a slide show from latest update from one of the recipients last year (\$1,000 grant for PPE & Safety equipment). Update from **Richard Power**: Everything from last year is closed out with the exception of the library grant which he is still coordinating. The library did not get the Wi-Fi units that we had pledged to pay for (not sure if it has been paid or is still outstanding). It is also unsure if we already have the money for grants earmarked already. If that is the case, are we still sticking to the schedule of opening applications in October which are due in Jan & Feb, and giving out the money in April?

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER PROJECTS (**Cindy Carter**, Chair) –

- 1) **Cindy Carter** – Redwood Empire Food Bank – REFB workday has been scheduled for Thursday, July 29, 2021, from 2-4pm.
- 2) **Jeff Boal** and **Cindy Carter** – Alzheimer's Walk – Will start soliciting club members to walk with us and/or to donate, beginning next month. The ALZ Walk will be at Sonoma State this year on October 9, 2021.
- 3) **Cindy Carter** – Laguna Foundation Workday – The Laguna Foundation workday will not occur this year. Maggie Hart already has her volunteer calendar completely booked up.
- 4) **Cindy Carter** – Adopt-A-Road – Nothing to report.
- 5) **Robin Maybury** – Cool Kids Camp – Nothing to report.

6) **Kathy Schwartz** – Environmental Sustainability – The committee has already been meeting and have selected a project at Burbank Farms. The purpose of this is to apply for a District Grant for the project... FYI, District matches our half of the funding on a reimbursement basis. The grant application is due by 8/1/21, and the project needs to be completed and final report submitted by 5/31/22.

**HOMELESSNESS (Jack Dunlap, Chair)** - The Homelessness Committee is actively seeking a project that benefits the homeless in West County. Finding an appropriate project however requires an understanding of the needs as well as the organizations already in place to support the homeless. So far, the committee has discovered that there are a wide range of private and government-directed activities that do not appear to be well coordinated or integrated. **Diana Rich** has provided valuable information on the activities of the City of Sebastopol, some private advocates, and West County Community Services who are managing the Park Village (next to the Laguna de Santa Rosa). The committee intends to learn more about the issues and organizations supporting the homeless while seeking a project that Rotary can lead or participate in. This committee welcomes additional members.

**LEARN TO SWIM (Greg Jacobs, Rick Wilson, Co-Chairs)** – In terms of the program, there is no new news. Obviously, we hope to return to normal in the spring of **Ellen's** year. The water safety video has also hit a snag as the State Ranger who talks to the kids at the pool and was the perfect star for the video has been hurt on the job and is talking about handing this off to a colleague, who in terms of on camera talent is an un-known commodity. This and **Greg's** fishing season have pretty much brought this to a halt.

**MARK SELL ROTARY TEACHER GRANTS (Jack Blasco, Chairs)** – This committee meets and makes selections twice/year. The committee will be created once signups are complete, which I assume will be this month. The application period for the Fall round of grants will be open from around mid-September to mid-October. Announcements will be sent to the schools in early September. The committee will meet to select the grant recipients in late October or early November. Checks will be sent to the schools in November.

**SPONSORSHIPS COMMITTEE (Patrick Dirden, Chair)** – Documents are being updated for this fiscal year, then **Patrick** and **Ellen** will start approaching prospective sponsors.

**DICTIONARY PROJECT (Paul Yeomans, Chair)** – Nothing to report at this time.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (Hal Kwalwasser, Chair)** – The Committee has been working on the follow up to the Community Summit. The current strategy is to join with other service clubs in Sebastopol who helped sponsor the summit to promote volunteerism in town. Each of the clubs is hosting a booth at one of the Peacetown Concerts this summer promoting volunteerism and sharing lists of upcoming volunteer opportunities. The thought is that the volunteerism is good in itself, but, in addition, it will promote the work of the Club and encourage membership. **Ellen** and **Hal** might have liked to see the eight service clubs in town get behind one project and work together, but that was not the ultimate decision of the group.

## **VOCATIONAL / YOUTH SERVICE AREA – GAIL GIJZEN, DIRECTOR:**

**YOUTH EXCHANGE (Multi Club Program) (Aleia Coate, Jackie Moreira, Katy Spyрка, Co-Chairs)**  
– Inactive for FY 2021-2022.

**OVERCOMING OBSTACLES AWARD (Tom Boag, Hal Kwalwasser, David Schreiber, Co-Chairs)**  
– Event date is determined with inputs (obtained in September) from school scholarship-vocational coordinator. Overcoming Obstacles event is always in either March, April, or early May. We request priority on exact date choice from Program Committee.

**INTERACT (Pauline Pellini, Chair)** – **Pauline** Chairs all of Interact (Twin Hills, Analy, Brookhaven) and is Director of Twin Hills; Jeff Stucker & **Pauline** are Directors of Brookhaven; **Aleia, Mark, & Gail** are the Directors of Analy's Interact. ["Analy" name being changed, TBD]

Analy Interact club will be accepting the Community Award they received last year, at this year's event. They were recognized as Outstanding Youth Service. Katya and a few others will be at the event on July 28th to accept it.

In General, interact fundraisers are done on campus as students decide what they will do once the school year begins. No need to get on a calendar.

**INTERACT HOLIDAY ADOPT-A-FAMILY (Pauline Pellini, Chair)** – The Adopt-a-Family is in December on a Saturday before Christmas. **Pauline** will coordinate with Chief Braga. It is a little soon to reach out for scheduling, but it will be done soon.

**Learn With Me (Linda Irving, Chair)** – **Patti, Linda**, and Deborah to meet soon and discuss the future of Learn with Me. Contact Linda to find out how many tutors she needs us to recruit & for what schools.

Per Deborah: Public Health guidance around reopening schools, while subject to change, calls for creating "stable groups" where classroom students, teacher and aides stay together with minimal contact with others. This might allow for volunteers to assist within a classroom, under the direction of the teacher. The most likely volunteer in such a case would be comfortable leading small group activities rather than individualized tutoring. It hard to





envision how Learn with Me can fit into these requirements, but **Patti, Linda, & Debbie** are planning a discussion of these issues in the near future.

**FINANCIAL LITERACY (David Schreibman, Chairs)** – Financial Literacy typically tries to be in classrooms in May before the Seniors graduate. Nothing new to report.

**ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA) (Multi Club Program) (Gail Gijzen, Chair)** – In December, **Gail**, and **Cindy** contact **Eve Yeomans** to see what the RYLA plan is for 2022. Hopefully, it returns to an in-person event, and we can begin recruiting recommended students in January 2022 – once they provide the RYLA schedule.

**HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH CONTEST (Larry Ford, Chair)** – High School Speech Contest is coordinated with the high schools' Spring Break and our Overcoming Obstacles program (so we do not have the two events back-to-back) which usually puts us into late March or early April. We defer to Overcoming Obstacles as that committee has a more complex task scheduling the participants. When that date gets established, we can work from there. Toward late October various high school facilities and administrators are notified of the topic and date.

**NORTH BAY CONSTRUCTION CORPS (Hal Kwalwasser, Chair)** - Our three-year contract runs out next spring. What we do after that is up in the air because the Corps needs to find funding for the remaining programs (other than ours). If it turns out they do not find funding, SREF will have to negotiate whether the North Coast Builders' Exchange will want to keep our one chapter going. If not, then the question is what SREF will want to do for a "signature" project. We discussed that issue this past year, and the consensus was that we would like to keep the Corps going if we can, thereby kicking the can down the road in terms of focusing on possible alternatives. **Diana Rich**, this year's SREF President, is on top of the problem.

**SRJC SCHOLARSHIPS (Jordan Burns, Chair)** – Nothing to report at this time.

**Career Fair at Analy High (Tom Lambert, Chair)** – Career Fair is usually held during the last weeks of the academic year, May or June. **Tom** will contact the College and Career Counselor at Analy when school resumes in the Fall to see if they have scheduled the career fair. ["Analy" name being changed, TBD]

## **CLUB SERVICE – EDWIN WILSON, DIRECTOR:**



**PROGRAMS (Dan Rasmus, Chairs)** – We have met virtually in early June and came up with a number of program ideas. Our early challenge is getting programs booked into dates. We have three out of the four July Fridays booked, and will be meeting on Tuesday, July 14 to try to solidify some other programs.

**APPLEKNOCKER (David Still, Chair)** – No update directly from David. See notes from **Patrick Dirden** and **Harvey Henningsen** below.

**SCRIBES (Patrick Dirden, Chair)** – In the process of lining up Scribes for the first quarter of the Rotary year. Should have a group of crack reporters ready for action by the time you meet for your first Board meeting.

**PHOTOGRAPHERS (Harvey Henningsen, Chair)** – Over the past 16 months of social distancing, our photographic core of image makers has dwindled down to a core group of five photographers, much lower than our usual roster. In the coming weeks I will be recruiting photographers to take one-month stints of covering our Roto-meetings.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS (Hal Kwalwasser, Chair)** – The Committee has been working on the follow up to the Community Summit. The current strategy is to join with other service clubs in Sebastopol who helped sponsor the summit to promote volunteerism in town. Each of the clubs is hosting a booth at one of the Peacetown concerts this summer promoting volunteerism and sharing lists of upcoming volunteer opportunities. The thought is that the volunteerism is good in itself, but, in addition, it will promote the work of the Club and encourage membership.

**MEMBERSHIP (David Schreibman, Chair)** -- In addition to the great work from Jack Blasco's Membership Retention teams, especially with all of us sheltered, we were excited to formally introduce two new members during the Debunking event – **Anthony Grados** and **Karimeh Shehadeh**. While Membership was primarily focused on supporting existing members during the pandemic, we will likely reconvene the Membership Attraction Committee (with new signups) in the coming months and devise a plan to purposefully grow the club again.

**Jack Blasco** - Member outreach and mentoring:

Member outreach is on hiatus this month while the group is reconstituted and to give members time to readjust to resumption of regular in-person meetings in Memorial Hall.

Mentoring activities are ongoing. The group will be reconstituted as part of the annual committee sign-ups.

**AUDIO/VISUAL TEAM (Paul Thielen, Chair)** – The A/V reports that we are up and running for the live Friday meetings.

We are in conversation on how to accommodate offsite speakers and programs but have been informed that there are none slated for some time, so we will provide a working system by then. This will probably entail bringing in a flatscreen television for the club, as projecting poses some problems yet to be worked out.

For future reference, it appears we are still tasked with providing A/V for the October District Conference in Rohnert Park, and remain prepared and ready for any club needs and functions throughout the year.

**BIRTHDAY CALLER (Ruth Dunlap, Chair)** – No update. Will follow up with **Ruth** to confirm she is underway as of 7/1.

**SUNSHINE (Mark Fink, Chair)** – No update.

**GREETERS (Rick Wilson, Chair; Committee: Harry Polley, Dave Madsen, Jerry Warren)** – No update, but **Rick** and **Harry** handled the greeting duties at the first meeting on 7/9.

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS (Nao Noguchi, Chair)** – No update, but SAA were all present for the first meeting on 7/9.

**CLUB HISTORY/ARCHIVAL (Tom Boag, Chair)** – Updated security access settings for ClubRunner - to allow access for new board members. Participated in editing Club procedure on Electronic Communications and Privacy that was approved by Board in June meeting. Also drafted policy concerning possible sharing of selected contact information between our club and Sunrise Rotary - Sent to **President Ellen** for consideration.

**CLUB WEBSITE (Robin Maybury – Chair, Webmaster)** -- I have added **Ellen's** photo and message to our club's website home page.

**Dan Rasmus** will be sending me his IPP text for me to upload to replace what we had from **Keller** one year ago.

I will be meeting with **Hal Kwalwasser** on 21 July to design some updates/improvements for our website.

Finally, I am working with **Ken Jacobs** and the folks at Firstdata who provide the "Payeezy" merchant services to us to see if we can differentiate the purposes of the various payments our members and donors make on our website. The goal there being to make the accounting easier for **Ken**.

## CLUB ACTIVITIES – SUE ENGLE, DIRECTOR:

**APPLE BLOSSOM PARADE (Hal Kwalwasser, Ellen Harrington, Co-Chairs)** – The Apple Blossom Parade is scheduled for September 18<sup>th</sup>. No float this year, walking the parade. Suggested theme is promoting volunteering in Sebastopol and/or Sonoma County, with a banner up front: Rotary blue background, Rotary wheel & suggested message:

ROTARY CLUB OF SEBASTOPOL

PROMOTING VOLUNTEERING IN SEBASTOPOL (OR SONOMA COUNTY)

**Hal** is looking into club \$\$ resources available for parade, and quotes for the banner. May be able to spread the cost by including it on the float for March 2022 parade?

**FRIENDSHIP DINNERS (Ruth & Jack Dunlap, Co-Chairs to be confirmed)** -- Usually taking place in March, further details to be established.

**HAPPY HOUR/FIRST FRIDAY/THIRD THIRSTY THURSDAY (Aldean Noethig, Chair)** --

Happy Hour: Scant details from Sebastopol Sunrise for this year's event. Alternatively, the suggestion for this next one is to have a gathering at a member's home/garden and BYOB. **Aldean** will check with **Tom and Pat Dilley** who have hosted successful gatherings before. **Aldean** is out of town 7/5 for a week.

First Friday/Third Thirsty Thursday. TBD.

**BIRD WATCHING FIELD TRIPS (Keller McDonald, Greg Jacobs – Co-Chairs)** – First one scheduled for Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Commencing 8:30 am. **Keller** has submitted blurb, giving pretty full details. Available following **Ellen's** approval.

**DEBUNKING (Diana Rich, Chair)** – Debunking plans will start in early Spring. **Diana** should be contacted to put this on her calendar.

**CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT (Aleia Coate, Jackie Moreira, Katy Spyрка – Co-Chairs)** – The three co-chairs need to be contacted about scheduling our golf tournament. Usually held February.

**CLUB PICNIC (TBD, Chairs)** -- **David** and **Bob** have stepped down. New Chair to be found.

In the meantime, **Bob and Peggy Rogers** will be hosting, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Hire one Porta-Potty. \$\$ resources available? **Aldean Noethig** and **Tom Dilley**: Parking directors; Check with **Tom Dilley** about supplying tents, tables, and chairs, as previously done; **Mario**: Provide his mega-BBQ; **David Still**: Set up/tear down; Games: In development

**CLUB HOLIDAY PARTY (Cindy Carter, Chair)** -- Hosts: **JT & Teresa Martin**. Saturday December 11<sup>th</sup>.

Event support team TBD. Previously:





**Larry & Gerry Ford, Rick Wilson & Cindy Carter:** Set up and tear down (to be confirmed).

**Nao Noguchi** is apparently great help, also.

SUPER BOWL BOARD (**Aleia Coate**, Chair) – **Aleia** to be contacted in December or January to start working on the Super Bowl Board.

## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE AREA – DOROTHY RODELLA, DIRECTOR:



WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE (**Keller McDonald**, Chair) --

St. Helena Rotary's Global Grant Zimbabwe Water Project – Received word from St. Helena Rotary's John Muhlner on June 4 that they have received the funds in the amount of \$82,250 from the Rotary Foundation for the Zimbabwe Water Project. The host club in Harare is now arranging for the approved vendors to begin the project. For details of this project please see the January 12, 2021 Board Report.

Puerto Vallarta South's Eye Surgery Program – Nothing new to report. On April 26<sup>th</sup> we received a full report on the seven eye surgeries performed by Puerto Vallarta South Rotarian Dr. Jaime Meramontez.

Santa Rosa Sunrise's Sabalos Surgery Center Global Grant in Nicaragua – John Jones of Santa Rosa Sunrise reports total raised for this project was \$47,000, and because of a local contact, were able to negotiate the cost down on the portable x-ray machine to \$38,000, allowing them to also purchase a cauterization scalpel plus a newborn patient table and monitoring system. Firm Purchase Orders have been cut with 50% deposit made. Balance will be paid when equipment is ready to be shipped to Sabalos. Expect to be up and running in about a month.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (**Lu Frazier**, Chair) -- We had three new Major Donor presentations at our June 18 meeting performed by our Lieutenant Governor and also have two members moving up the scale. We had two Fridays where we made Foundation presentations. We continued to make announcements to raise awareness of our club's efforts to support the foundation. The presentations helped in that process.

Two new members were inducted during the debunking evening that I am sure will be foundation supporters.

PROGRAMMA DE BECAS -- In partnership with the Puerto Vallarta Sur club we will be continuing to develop and expand our participation in this scholarship program. We hope to get money to the organizers by the end of ~~Aug~~ for this year's contribution. We will see if I can get some information and pictures of some of the students seeking support to share with the club. A great idea was floated by our own **Ken Jacobs** that perhaps we seek one-time donations in addition to traditional scholarships. We plan to pursue this great idea!.