



The Appleknocker

Sebastopol Rotary Club's Weekly Bulletin

Pgm: Aleia Coate – Club Wrap-up / Thank you



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"All the News that Fits We Print"



At the Bell



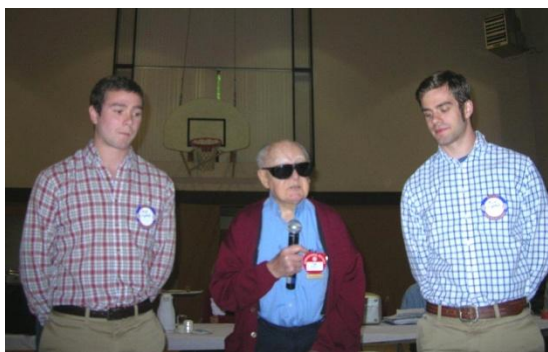
President Aleia called the meeting to order. **Bob Reeves** led the flag salute, **Karen Daniels** led us in song, and **Les Crawford** provided a Thought for the Day, courtesy of Ralph Waldo Emerson.

And then our president suddenly vacated the premises. Who says God doesn't answer prayer? Confusion reigned...but, what else is new? Just another typical Friday. The Debunking Committee then took over the meeting for a few moments. I could tell you what happened, but then I would have to kill you. But it is amazing what some attorneys will do to get applause. So sad....

And then, just when we thought she was gone, wouldn't you know, **President Aleia** returned.



Visiting Rotarians and Guests



We welcomed three visiting Rotarians – Peggy Soberanis from the Santa Rosa Downtown club; Cara Widmer from Sebastopol Sunrise, Lynda Sue from the Windsor Club. Lynda was also available, via live scan, to fingerprint anyone who might be working with youth – Interact, church, etc. Sneaking in under the radar came Dan Bornstein from the Santa Rosa club.

And on to our wonderful guests: **Harry Polley** introduced geologist, David Peterson; **Tom Farrell** was very proud to introduce his two grandsons and recent college graduates – Bret and Matt Lightfoot, modestly described by their proud grandfather as “two handsome dudes.” And you are looking pretty good yourself, **Tom!** **Ken McHugh** introduced Jack Dunlap from PG&E, and **Harry Simms** introduced his wife, **Susanna**. Honorary Rotarian, **Bristol Hassler**, was also with us. Our thoughts and prayers remain with her and her family following the sudden death of her father.



🍎 Future Programs 🍎

June 1st
Speaker: GSE Team from Turkey
Program: Modern Turkey
Host: Richard Power

June 8th
Speaker: Michael Ellis
Program: Footloose Forays
Host: Sally Glendening

June 15th
NOT DARK – DISTRICT CONFERENCE
SHOW UP OR MAKE-UP (*See Attached*)

June 22nd
Speaker: Dr. Alan Bernstein
Program: Stroke – Every Minute Counts
Host: Harry Simms

June 29th
Speaker: Sheriff Dept. Personnel
Program: So.Co. Sheriff Rescue Helicopter
Host: Mike Ferguson

🍎 Future Events 🍎

~~HAPPY HOUR AT GTO's Seafood House~~
~~(3rd Friday of the Month), 234 South Main, Seb.~~
~~NEXT HAPPY HOUR @ GTO's NOPE!~~

Learn to Swim Program April - June

May SCARC Meeting – “Inspired By Youth”
Overcoming Obstacles Award, Thursday May 31st,
 Community Church (See Vikki Patiño & Attached Page)

District 5130 Conference, June 15th–17th
See Attached Page

Saturday, June 23rd
The Debunking of President Aleia

Location: Holy Ghost Hall
Subject: Who Else?...President Aleia
Contact: Pauline Pellini See Attached Page
Tickets: Only \$10 per person

Rotary Club of SR **Giro Bello Rides**
July 7, 2012 See Attached Sheet

🍎 Miscellany 🍎

“JOINT” Board Meeting (Incoming & Outgoing Boards)

Location: Mexico Lindo Restaurant,
 9030 Graton road, Graton, 94555

Date/Time: **Wednesday June 13th, 5:30 p.m.**

! Note it's the 13th, not the 20th!

* “No, not that kind...”

Web Site for Make-Up Locations
www.rotary5130.org/meeting_locations.shtml

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS – Send to JOHN BLASCO at
jcblasco@comcast.net

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

Interact Make-Ups

Analay High: 12:35 Wed. In the Choir Room
 Brook Haven: 12:40, 1st & 3rd Thurs., Rm. 4
 (Check-in @ Front Office first)
 Hillcrest: 12:20, Every 3rd Tues., Rm. 6
CALL AHEAD TO CONFIRM MEETINGS

🍎 Announcements 🍎

District Conference: Our Rotary District Conference will be June 14-17 in Fortuna. A major good time is promised for all who attend. And we will **not** be officially dark that Friday, **June 15th**. So either attend the Conference or make up. You heard it here first! Just the thought of Fortuna in June almost brings a tear to the eye.

Roto-Dog Day, June 1. Yes, friends, this is the official invite-a-dog-to-Rotary day. The mind immediately fills with wonderful – and totally inappropriate – one liners. So glad I could be your Rotary set-up man! So get out there and invite your favorite dog to Rotary. Can't wait to see that day's lunch menu!

Giro Bello: Peggy Soberanis from Santa Rosa Downtown announced the July 7th Giro Bello Rotary fundraiser. It involves three rides – the Century, 102.2 miles, the Metric Century, 68.2 miles, and the “fun” ride, 29.2 miles. Those Santa Rosa Rotarians certainly have an interesting definition of fun. Registration is limited to the first 1,500 riders and the ride will begin and end at O'Reilly in Sebastopol. (Except of course for those “fun” riders who will finish their day in the Palm Drive emergency room!) Visit girobello.com for more details.

Debunking: **Pauline Pellini** reminded us of **President Aleia's Debunking, June 23rd** at Holy Ghost Hall. Tickets are on sale. The Debunking Committee, in an effort to make the event affordable for all, is only charging \$10.00 for a ticket. And the price will include beverages – although you should probably get your beverages before our president arrives and supplies begin to run low! Each attendee will have the opportunity to buy his/her dinner from two food trucks which will be on the premises. And don't forget that truck made out of cupcakes. Get your tickets soon.



Giants Baseball: **Gene Nelson** put down his pen and announced that The Community Church has chartered a bus for the Giants-Braves game on June 9. Cost is \$48 per ticket and includes game admission and bus ride. Rotarians and their families and friends are invited to join in. If you are interested, see **Gene** or call the church office, 823-2484 and speak to Karin, ext. 10. **Gene** also said a word about the church construction project which has begun. (See “After the Bell” for more details.) For the foreseeable future, on Friday, we will have to enter our meeting through the Memorial Hall kitchen or South door. **Harry Polley** then rose and added that the church would be happy to accept any Rotarian donations for this project...totally tax deductible and, no doubt, a guaranteed pass to heaven.





Recognitions and Fines



Birthdays:

Richard Petersen, May 19th. They celebrated at the Cheese Cake Factory, no doubt because In and Out Burger was too crowded.

Anniversaries:

Ted and Martina Baggett on May 19th - 11 years.

Jerry and Kay Warren on May 23rd– 31 years



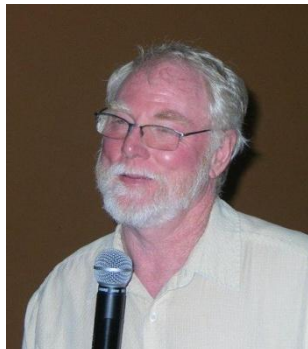
Miscellaneous:

Bob Hirsch paid \$25 dollars in honor of his son, **Scott's**, wedding in Cabo. Why Cabo? Seems it was a way to keep the guest list down. (Why do I only get invited to weddings in Graton?) **Kathie Mayhew** paid \$25 for her trip to the Philippines, Cambodia and the Rotary convention in Bangkok. Seems like she should have received a rebate for having to travel with **Frank!** **Dennis Judd** contributed \$10 for a book signing tour with his mother – it would seem that in **President Aleia's** world no good deed goes unpunished.

And **Ken Silveira**, for making the great sacrifice of being a Celebrity Judge at the morning club's Guys Can Cook Fund Raiser and being forced to taste all that wonderful food, was nailed for \$25. Speaking of food, **Pierre Lagourgue** and **Bob Cugini** received \$35 for taking part in a cooking class. One taught and one was the student...your guess. The **Ken Jacobs** family looks just wonderful on a Sturgeon's Mill poster, about \$20 wonderful. And **President Aleia** once again demonstrated that she cannot distinguish between the wheels on **Ken McHugh's** car and the wheels on his walker. But it still cost him \$45.

This is perhaps the most frightening time of year for those Rotarians who have flown under the President's radar or who lives that are so dull and uninteresting that there is nothing to fine them

for. June becomes make-up - or payback – month. And so...**Bill Lippert**, who chose to remodel his kitchen instead of go on a post-tax season cruise found himself fined for \$70. **Raoul McDuff**, who seems to work hard and had nothing else to share also, was fined \$70 for no particular reason. **Diana Rich** also contributed \$70, but was able to use her time to plug the upcoming fund-raiser for The Community Center. Like the Community Church, they are taking pledges.



A certain table, at which was seated **Incoming President Edwin, Emily Buller, Ted Baggett** and other notorious troublemakers was fined \$15 per person for general rowdiness. And **J.T. Martin** was unable to escape the President's wrath for running out on one of her meetings. Thanks for the \$35, J.T. And to think you put business before Rotary!



The Raffle



One of **Tom's** grandsons, **Matt**, had the winning ticket. He spun the wheel and won some coveted Rotary apparel. Truly a moment he will treasure always.



PROGRAM – Aleia Coate -- Club Wrap-up / Thank you



No formal program today. It was more of a club assembly that really wasn't a club assembly...more of a wrap up of our Rotary year. Each director spoke about his/her area of service and what had been accomplished.



Bob Cugini – Club Activities.

Bob listed our various activities and thanked those who had taken the lead:

- Golf Tournament: **Brad Benedetti and Bud Daveiro**
- Friendship Dinners: **Yvette Williams van Aggelen and Vikki Patiño**
- Veterans' Day: **Greg Jacobs**
- Holiday Party: **Steve Prandini**
- Picnic: **Bob Cugini, Mario Ramos, Ken Silveira and Harvey Henningsen**
- Super Bowl: **Dan Rasmus and Pete Hill**
- Fishing Trip – **J.T. Martin and Richard Petersen**
- Debunking: **Pauline Pellini**

Chris Dawson – Club Service. He thanked the following:

- Appleknocker – **Tom Boag, Harvey Henningsen**, and all the scribes and photographers
- The AV team – **Paul Thielen, Edwin Wilson, and Ken Jacobs**
- Program – **Kent Seegmiller** and his large committee
- Membership – **Harry Polley**
- Sergeant at Arms – **entire committee**
- Web Site – **Michael Hixson**
- Social Media – **David Pittman**
- Birthday Caller – **Pauline Pellini**
- Sunshine – **Mark Fink**
- **Chris Dawson's** phone was ringing during his presentation...not sure what committee was in charge of that.

President Aleia presented the Community Service Summary

This Rotary year our club distributed \$50,000 in community grants, money raised at the Lobster Feed. An additional \$20,000 was spent on other projects.

- Chair of the Grants Committee – **Dorothy Rodella**
- Forget Me Not Farm Gazebo – **Tom Dilley and Jim Pacatte** with several Rotarian volunteers.
- Teacher Mini Grants – **David Schreiber**. \$24,439 was distributed in teacher mini-grants, money coming from our crab feed
- Learn To Swim – **Greg Jacobs and Rick Wilson**
- Apple Blossom Parade – **Bob Hirsch**
- Rebuilding Together – **Gene Nelson**, with great support from **Tom Dilley, Jim Pacatte, Greg Gill, and Dan Davis.**
- Dictionaries – **Mark Fink**
- Read to Me – **Sally Glendening**
- Other projects: Hot Chocolate at the Community Tree Lighting, serving beer at the Apple Fair, sponsoring a rest stop during the Tour de Organics. Too bad those Rotarians don't do anything in the community but conspire about the CVS project!
- Also thanks to the Rotary Educational Foundation for funding a number of our projects, such as Learn to Swim.

Sally Ewald – Vocational and Youth Services

- Sponsorship of four Interact clubs. No other club in the district sponsors that many clubs. Thanks to **Pauline Pellini, Bob Hirsch, Troy McAdams, and Les Crawford** for their leadership.
- Financial Literacy for High School Youth – **Meredeth Bertacco**
- One Hen Project – **Jerry Warren**. The goal at Oak Grove School is to raise \$400 for a micro-loan project in Kenya.
- Speech Contest – **Larry Ford**
- RYLA – **Tony Given and Bill Cole**
- Vocational Awards – **Katy Sproka**
- Overcoming Obstacles – **Tom Boag**. This wonderful program was suggested by **Frank Mayhew.**



International Service:

Due to lack of time, International Service will be saved for another day. Seeing this broad range of activities, it is amazing we have fit them all in -- in just one year. Thanks to all who contributed to these wonderful efforts in the name of Service Above Self. We have made a positive difference. And the good news is that there is still so much left to do.



The Closing Bell

President Aleia then adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m. A Special Board meeting convened.



After The Bell

Before and after Friday's meeting, many asked about the project now disrupting our access to our weekly meetings. The Community Church, after years of discussion, fund-raising, and planning, is adding a new building. It will consist of a small chapel, two classroom/meeting rooms, an audio/visual meeting room, and a youth room. The plan is to complete construction in six months. Questions were also asked about the Ark. The Ark is temporarily docked at the home of **Tom and Pat Dilley**. The plan is to freshen it up and return it to the church when the new building is dedicated.

Incoming President Edwin Wilson informed **-Ed.** that we incorrectly inscribed his father-in-law's name in last week's AppleKnocker. His last name is "Schram", not "Shriner" – Ralph Schram. We certainly regret this error, Ralph and Edwin. **-Ed.**



Overcoming Obstacles Awards Presented: **Sally Ewald** presented award certificates to Alena Caswell and Rachael Gross at El Molino High School Awards Ceremonies on Thursday. **Greg Jacobs** presented award certificates to Analy High School students Sunshine Hartwell and Joanne Schumacher on Wednesday. **Tom Boag** will make the presentations to Laguna High School students Kaeli Acton and Chris Stefenoni on Thursday 5/31.



**GSE TEAM FROM TURKEY & SEBASTOPOL ROTARY
CANOEING DOWN THE RUSSIAN RIVER
Sunday May 27, 2012**



New Member Proposal -- Jack Dunlap

Membership Proposal

Jack Dunlap has been proposed for membership by **Ken McHugh** with the Classification of Utilities: Mechanical Engineering. This proposal has been approved by the Membership/Classification Committee and the Board of Directors. Any objections to this proposal must be submitted in writing to the Board within 10 days of this notice. If none is received, the Club Secretary will notify the Club President to proceed with the induction of the new member.

The ABC's of Rotary

(Taken from "The ABCs of Rotary", a Rotary International publication originally prepared by Dr. Cliff Dochterman who was RI President in 1992-93)

#18: RI World Headquarters

The headquarters of Rotary International always has been in the area of Chicago, Illinois, USA. First it was in Chicago itself, but in 1954 an attractive new building opened in suburban Evanston. The Ridge Avenue building met the needs of the Rotary Secretariat until the 1980s when the addition of new programs, the growth of the Rotary Foundation, and the new Polio Plus activities made the headquarters building extremely crowded and required some staff members to be housed in supplementary space nearby. When a modern 18-story office building became available in downtown Evanston in 1987, it appeared to meet all of rotary's space and expansion needs for years to come. The glass and steel structure, built in 1977, provides 400,000 square feet (37,160 square meters) of office and usable space. The building was purchased by Rotary International, which leases approximately two-thirds of the space to commercial tenants, until needed by future Rotary growth. The building provides a 190-seat auditorium, large parking garage and 300-seat cafeteria, as well as functional office space for the 400 employees of the World Headquarters. The executive suite on the 18th floor includes conference rooms for the RI board and committee meetings, in addition to the offices for the RI president, president-elect, chairman of the Rotary Foundation Trustees and general secretary. One Rotary Center, as it is called, enhances the efficient operations of Rotary International.

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Subject: Who Else?...President Aleia

Contact: Pauline Pellini

Tickets: Only **\$10** per person





MAY ~ SCARC

**INSPIRED BY YOUTH
OVERCOMING OBSTACLES AWARD**

**HOSTED BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF SEBASTOPOL
THURSDAY, MAY 31ST**

Community Church
1000 Gravenstein Highway North, Sebastopol

6:00 PM - Wine Bar
Station Appetizers
Cheese Torta with summer fruit
Thai Quesadillas

7:30 to 8:30 PM - Buffet Dinner
Salad of Baby Greens, Shaved Apples, Vanilla Pecans, Chevre and
Cider Vinaigrette
Mustard Crusted London Broil with Cognac Béarnaise
Smashed Yukon Gold Potatoes with Roasted Garlic Butter
Grilled Summer vegetable
Bread Basket/Butter
Strawberry Rhubarb Crisp with Whipped Cream

8:30 to 9:00 PM - Program

\$35.00 per person

RSVP to Vikki Patiño by May 24th
Email : toptrips@sonic.net
(707) 824-1374

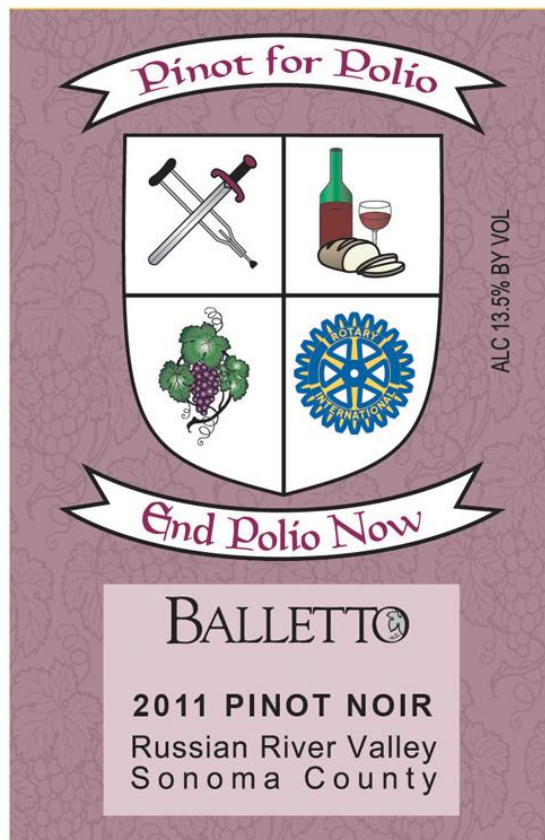


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5130 DISTRICT CONFERENCE JUNE 15TH TO 17TH

CONVENIENT LINK: [HOME](http://www.theheartofrotary.org/index.html) <http://www.theheartofrotary.org/index.html>

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-  **Directions** 5130
-  **Program Summary** 5130
-  **About Fortuna and** 5130 **Humboldt County**
-  **Register** 5130



 **Lip Sync Competition**



- Thursday night pre-conference dinner social
- Art Expo
- RI President's Representative
- REGISTER!
- CONFERENCE TEAM
- Motorcycle Ride-in on Friday
- The Heart of Rotary 5130 District Conference
- Contact Us!

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