Sebastopol Rotary Club's Weekly Bulletin Brad Howard – Touched by the Rotary Foundation

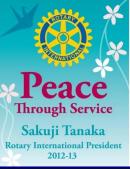


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"All the News that Fits We Print"



At the Bell





At 12:15pm **President Edwin** rang the welcome bell. **Guy Smith** led the flag salute and **Keller McDonald** guided us in a rousing rendition of *America the Beautiful*.

Guenter Meiburg's thought for the day reminded us that: "In Rotary it is well to give when asked but it is better to give unasked through understanding". [Adapted from Kahlil Gibran 'On Giving, The Prophet, 1923 -Ed.]





Visiting Rotarians and Guests





At 12:30, visiting Rotarians were introduced: Knoel Owen, Santa Rosa Main, Judiciary; Tom Neidecker, Petaluma Valley, Art Collector; and Brad Howard, Past District 5170 Governor, also our guest speaker.



President Edwin introduced his guests, his mother Barbara Wilson and his wife **Diana Wilson**.





Future Programs



December 7th

Paul Vossen Speaker: **Recent Trends in Sonoma** Program:

County Agriculture

Host: **Henry Alker**

December 14th

Program: **Analy Choir** Host: **Diana Wilson**

> December 21st DARK - NO MEETING

> December 28th DARK - NO MEETING





Club Holiday Party Friday, December 14th

Wine and Cheese Pairing At JT and Teresa Martin's 3555 Thorn Road., Sebastopol **Bring an Appetizer, Please RSVP** to JT Martin at itmartin@monitor.net

or call him at (707) 823-9100 (See attachment)

Interact Adopt-a-Family Project -**Sebastopol Fire Station** Saturday Morning December 15th

Crab Feed Saturday, February 9th **Buy Tickets Now**



Miscellany



Next Board Meeting Location: Sebastopol Senior Center Date/Time: Wednesday Dec. 19th, 5:45 p.m.





Anticipation from Carly Simon

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS - Send to Jack BLASCO icblasco@comcast.net

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

Interact Make-Ups

12:35 Wed. In the Choir Room Analy High: Brook Haven: 12:40, 1st & 3rd Thurs., Rm. 4
(Check-in @ Front Office first)

12:20, Every 3rd Tues., Rm. 6 Hillcrest: **CALL AHEAD TO CONFIRM MEETINGS**

Announcements



John Blount was appreciated for covering last week's program.

Maurine Doerken is recovering from her open heart surgery, and Rick Wilson is on the mend after having gum surgery.

The <u>Ceres Project is having its holiday Open House on December 2nd from 3-6 p.m.</u>

Our club holiday party will be held at J.T. and Teresa Martin's house on December 14th from 5:30-9:00 p.m. [See Page 2, Future Events, and attachment - You have to RSVP! - Call or Email J.T.] We will be enjoying wine and cheese pairings. Sign-ups for appetizers and desserts are on the tables at our weekly meetings.

Interact's Adopt-a-Family is scheduled for the morning of December 15th at the Sebastopol Fire Station. All members are welcome to come and wrap presents and witness the true spirit of the season.

The Crab Feed will be on February 9th. Tickets will be available on sale at next week's meeting. They make perfect stocking stuffers!



Recognitions



Birthdays:

Keller McDonald, who is older than he looks, celebrated on November 20th. He was fined





Ted Baggett, who fortunately did not share his birthday with Keller, but rather went to a dance party, celebrated on November 21st. **Ted** was fined \$5.

Steve Prandini celebrated on November 24th with his family in town for Thanksgiving. Steve also went to Fenway Park and the rest of Boston recently with the Polleys. Steve got hit for \$5 for his birthday and \$15 for his trip.





Norm Stupfel has been celebrating his November 26th birthday for a few weeks. He says that when you're as old as he is, you really have to celebrate that you're still here. He parted with \$5 of his "hard-earned cash".



Ken Jacobs also was fined \$5 for his birthday of November 29th, which he spent working 12 hours. No one felt to sorry for him because he just got back from 11 days in Puerto Vallarta with no kids.

Anniversaries:

Bob Cugini celebrated 24 years of marriage on November 5th by taking a trip to Monterey.



Other Fines and recognitions:

Harvey Henningsen was fined \$10 for a gruesome Halloween photo of a knife in his back. He also sent the photo to his

neurosurgeon who responded "I've been looking for that knife for weeks!" Anecdotally, regarding his recovery, **Harvey** says, "I've been healed!"



Harry Polley's aforementioned trip to Boston with Jean and the Prandinis cost him \$15. He also submitted a photo of a road sign in Boston that said, "Vehicles in Rotary have right of way."



"<u>Vehicles in Rotary have right of way</u>."



Chris Dawson was fined \$15 for his <u>new</u> granddaughter, <u>Dylan</u>. She's number 6, and everyone's doing well.



Michael Hixson's family took a trip to <u>Montreal</u> to visit a film set where they all had to wear masks while a tank was blown up inside the studio they were visiting. This was a <u>Make-A-Wish trip</u> for his daughter, which cost Michael \$35.



Rotary Foundation Month

Our club has been recognized for being an "Every Rotarian Every Year" club, which means that each member contributed to the Foundation last year. Aleia was honored for her work as president last year when this milestone was achieved.



Mike Ferguson recognized Troy McAdams for his generosity to our Club, this time for providing prizes for the Rotary Foundation raffle. Prizes included Ghirardelli chocolate gift baskets, Balletto Pinot Noir, rounds of golf.



Winners included: Tony Given, Russ Tighe, David Schreibman, Mike Long (who tried taking 4 bottles of wine but didn't get away with it), Edwin Wilson, Steve Prandini, Robert Jacobs, Ken Silveira, Tim Moore, Norm Stupfel, Frank Mayhew, Harry Polley, Sally Ewald, J. T. Martin, Kathy Mayhew, Bob Cary, Dan Rasmus (x2), Yvette Williams van Aggelen (x2), and grand prize winner, Pauline Pellini (x3).



Instant Paul Harris Fellows (or 1,000 recognition points) went to: Brad Benedetti, Dave Madsen, Pauline Pellini (x2), Dan Rasmus, Jack Blasco, Alain Serkissian, Norm Stupfel, Jack Dunlap, and Edwin Wilson. Winning tickets are being entered into the drawing for an iPad at the District meeting by David Mark-Raymond.







The winning raffle ticket [# 380531 belonged to **Tony Given**. While he did not pull the Monopoly card with Long Financial Services on it, he did win the opportunity to make popcorn at Sebastopol Hardware on Super Saturday. Congratulations, Tony!

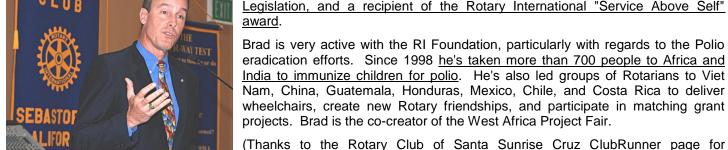




The Program — Brad Howard, "Touched by the Rotary Foundation"



Our guest speaker was Brad Howard, a charter member of the Oakland-Sunrise club and Past District 5170 Governor (2002-3). Brad has held a variety of club, district, zone, and RI assignments. His many achievements include being: the Zone 24 Polio Challenge Coordinator; an RI President's Representative to a number of District Conferences, the District Rep to the 2007 Council on Legislation, and a recipient of the Rotary International "Service Above Self"



projects. Brad is the co-creator of the West Africa Project Fair. (Thanks to the Rotary Club of Santa Sunrise Cruz ClubRunner page for information in this bio.)

Over the past 14 years, Brad has led 800 people on 16 trips to Ghana, India, Senegal and Nigeria on national immunization (for Polio) days. He spoke to us on "Why Rotary Foundation Should Matter".

Brad reminded us that the two pillars of Rotary are fellowship and service and that there are <u>five ways to serve</u>: club, vocation, community, international, and youth projects (New Generations.)

While community service is a vital and large percentage of every club's work, Brad contends that it is not the part of our organization that defines us, nor will it provide our legacy. Other groups serve the community as well, and Rotary often supports them in this work.

The name "Rotary International" defines our scope. We have obligations and responsibilities overseas.

Annually, \$115-130 million is raised by RI for causes other than Polio, and \$100 million is spent. Combined funding of the anti-Polio efforts this year totaled \$1.2 billion.

As for Polio, we are "this close" to eliminating the disease. The World Health Organization thinks we're <u>five years away</u>. In 1985, there were 350,000 new cases of Polio; in 2004, there were 1,263 new cases of Polio. It has been said that Rotary's unsung effort to eradicate Polio deserves the Nobel Peace Prize.

Once while Brad was in a hotel lobby in Cote d'Ivoire, he met a representative of the United Methodist Church of Texas who was waiting for 22 people who were going to distribute 800,000 bed nets for malaria prevention in ten days. When he commented on the enormity of the proposed task, she responded that they saw what Rotary did to Polio, and thought they could do the same thing.

The effect of international service is equally profound on the Rotarian and the recipient. Rotarians put themselves in the middle of the world, out of the comfort of their own clubs and communities and they react humanly to a situation that demands action.

People ask, "Shouldn't we help our own." In fact, 2/3 of the funds raised in Rotary clubs are spent in local communities. But the world is smaller than we know. Diseases can circle the globe in one or two days. Seventeen million children can

be immunized in a weekend. A Rotarian from Oakland can be made an African chief, as Brad was in Ghana after he successfully raised funds to build a clinic where there had been none.



No one misses the \$100-200 per year spent supporting Rotary Foundation but the effect is profound. Rather than emptying a wallet, it grabs our imagination by changing the lives of its members.

President Edwin thanked Brad with a donation to The Pathway Home.





Next week, Paul Vossen is our speaker on "Recent Trends in Sonoma County Agriculture".

President Edwin announced a brief Board meeting and a Program committee meeting after the meeting.

He then closed the meeting with these thoughts for the week:

Like the old Sergeant on Hill Street Blues used to say, "Let's be careful out there." It's going to be a wet weekend.

- and as Mark Twain was born on November 30, 1835 - President Edwin gave us a few quotes in Twain's honor:



"Whenever you find yourself on the side of the majority, it is time to pause and reflect."

--- and ---

"Suppose you were an idiot, and suppose you were a member of Congress; but I repeat myself."





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)

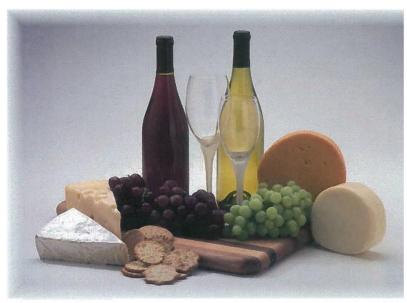
#44 Every Rotarian an Example to Youth

In 1949, the RI Board adopted the slogan Every Rotarian an Example to Youth as an expression of commitment to children and youth in each community in which Rotary clubs exist. Serving young people has long been an important part of the Rotary program.

Youth service projects take many forms around the world. Rotarians sponsor Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, athletic teams, centers for disabled children, school safety patrols, summer camps, orphanages, recreation areas, safe driving clinics, county fairs, child-care centers, and children's hospitals. Many clubs provide vocational counseling, establish youth employment programs, and promote use of The 4-Way Test. Increasingly, drug/alcohol abuse prevention and AIDS awareness projects are being supported by Rotarians.

In every instance, Rotarians have an opportunity to be role models and mentors for the young people of their community. One learns to serve by observing others. As our youth grow to become adult leaders, it is hoped each will achieve that same desire and spirit to serve future generations.

The slogan accepted over 50 years ago is just as vital today.



Rotary Wine and Cheese Pairing Holiday Party

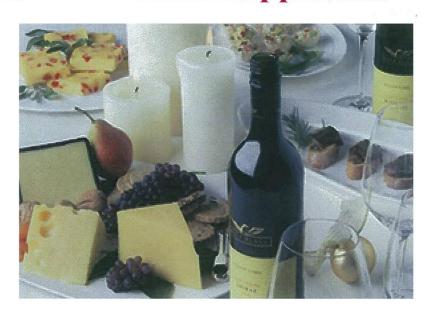
When: December 14, 2012 [5:30 – 9:00pm]

Where: JT and Teresa Martin's 479-8960

3555 Thorn Rd., Sebastopol

What to bring? An Appetizer, Please

RSVP to J.T. Martin at jtmartin@monitor.net
or call him at (707) 823-9100 - Which Appetizer?





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November 5, 2012

Edwin Wilson Rotary Club of Sebastopol P.O. Box 213 Sebastopol, CA 95473

Dear Edwin:

The Pathway Home wishes to recognize the Rotary Club of Sebastopol for its gift of \$250.00. We are in receipt of check number 10310, dated November 2, 2012.

As you know, our mission is to provide returning veterans and active duty members with the tools needed to manage Post Traumatic Stress, Traumatic Brain Injury, and other associated mental health issues that arose from military deployment so that they can effectively:

- Complete educational programs;
- Obtain and gain full employment;
- · Maintain healthy personal relationships; and,
- · Successfully reintegrate into society.

We have been able to provide this multi-disciplinary, integrated, community-model of care in large part due to investments such as yours in Pathway. The Club's support plays an important and valuable role in helping Pathway maintain a safe, supportive, respectful, and challenging therapeutic community for those military personnel who have conquered the many stressors of war, but currently find themselves experiencing problems and issues that are "getting in the way" of their ability to function at top form.

Please accept the sincere thanks of our Board of Directors, staff and residents. We ask that you always remain ambassadors for The Pathway Home by sharing our story with your friends and colleagues. And if you haven't recently, take a moment to look at some of our newest photos and posts on Facebook and Twitter at thepathwayhome1. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Fred Gusman, MSW

Founder and Executive Director

IRS Regulations require us to state that no goods or services were received in exchange for this contribution.

The Pathway Home, a Tides Center Project, is a registered 501(c)(3) charitable organization governed under Federal Statutes and the laws of the State of California. Your contribution may be considered tax-deductible to the full extent of the law.

RI Reading: Weekly Update - Ride to End Polio

CLICK HERE:

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Ride to End Polio

Ninety Rotarian cyclists and family, including RI General Secretary John Hewko and his wife, Marga, took part in El Tour de Tucson 17 November, raising more than US\$320,000 for polio eradication.

- Read more
- · Learn how you can contribute
- · Read a blog post from a cyclist

In other news

Rotarians have donated more than US\$90,000 for hurricane relief

New York and New Jersey Rotarians coordinate efforts as help continues to roll in from all over.

Mercy's Village provides an education to orphans of war, AIDS in Uganda

California Rotarian comes up with the idea for a school after consulting village elders

Rotary-UN Day and putting Service Above Self

RI President Sakuji Tanaka blogs about Rotary's annual event in New York City.

Announcements

Top tips for increasing your club's Foundation giving

Learn how to become a 100 percent Every Rotarian, Every Year club.

Rotary Global Peace Forums begin 30 November in Berlin.

Learn more about the forums, and follow the events on Twitter with the hash tag #rotarypeace.

Foundation honors five major donors from Taiwan

Former Rotary Scholar a good return on Rotary's investment

Resource guide



Club Rotary Foundation Committee Manual

Learn about your committee's role and responsibilities. Includes tips for setting goals, developing a budget, and teaching members about the Foundation.



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Includes six inspiring videos on one DVD.

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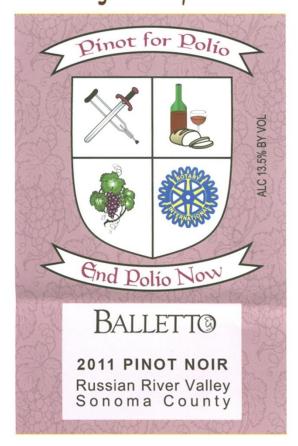


Rotary District 5130 presents

Pinot for Polio



Raising Money for PolioPlus — one Case at a Time



Pinot for Polio is a Rotary District 5130 fundraising project for PolioPlus.

Increase your Paul Harris credits, contribute to PolioPlus, and drink great wine at the same time..

What could be better?

Your cost per case of 12 bottles of Balletto Vineyards 2011 Russian River Valley Sonoma County Pinot for Polio is:

 Cost per case
 \$305.00

 Sales tax
 \$27.00

 Total cost
 \$332.00

\$150.00 from each case will be sent in your name to PolioPlus. You will receive Paul Harris credits and it will also count towards your club's annual Foundation giving.

What a simple, effective and delicous way to raise money for PolioPlus.

We're This Close.. All We Need is You

Pinot for Polio Order Form

_Cases of Pinot for Polio at \$332/case = _Winery Pickup (Balletto Vineyards) _Ship to me - \$30 inside CA.		CheckCredit Card VIMCAXDS	Ending polio worldwide.	
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