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The Golden Nugget of the North Bay

In The Valley of Gentle Seasons



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Happy Seis De Mayo!

PDG (Past District Governor) Holly Axtell rang da bell to start the meeting (Christina is away). We met half inside and half outside. I don't know why. Fridays in the Jonas Center are supposed to be ours.

Nohemi Beissmann-Mason led us in the Pledge. Bill McDill gave us the "Thought for the Day" which was a quote by the 1984 author George Orwell: "People sleep peacefully in their beds at night only because rough men stand ready to do violence on their behalf." I think there are some rough women too!

Fred Anderson reviewed the 4-Way Test. That keeps us good for the rest of the day.

Announcements

Western BBQ & Line Dance

Chris DeGabriele reminded us to buy our tickets for the Western BBQ & Line Dance on Saturday, May 21. Reggie Winner is looking for more bakers to donate pies or cakes for the May 21 BBQ.





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Novato,

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or Is it the TRUTH?

- GOODWILL and is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOODWIL BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 - Will it be BENEFICIAL to all

Rotary Club Meeting Bill & Adele Jonas Center

In-Person & Zoom May 20

Teacher Recognition day



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Where to Make Up

Contact the Club you wish to attend for dates, time and virtual meeting code. The District website lists the Clubs and websites for contact info at: Rotary5150.org/clubs/rotary-club-directory/

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Upcoming Programs

May 2022

May 13 Marin Humane Society - Nancy McKenney May 20 Teacher Recognition Day - Mary Jane Burke

VFW Hall BBQ - NO MEETING

June 2022

June 3 TBA

June 10 Farm Tours at IVC

June 17 Dr. Coon COM

June 24 Debunking

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4th of July Parade Volunteers Needed

Vicki McDill announced that there will be a 4th of July Parade this year (Hip Hip Hooray!) and she's looking for volunteers to help run the parade. Half of the people who worked on the parade before are gone (missing in action?) Call Vicki!

Dinner at Marty's

Marty Wickenheiser announced that there will be a dinner Saturday night for those donating to the Ukraine Project. Is Marty serving Chicken Kyiv? It glows in the dark! Will there be Borscht?

Speaker?

No! The speaker called in sick or the dog ate her homework.

Thank You, Phil

PDG Holly thanked Phil Dougherty for setting up the meeting. Phil used to be a boy scout and I'll bet that training came in handy.

The 25er

Jim Spilman announced the winner, and believe it or not, it wasn't Suzanne Bales. Fred Anderson won the pot.

PDG Holly closed the meeting and the the that's all folks!

Rotary Statement on the War against Ukraine

Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation stand with the United Nations, Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation stand with the United Nations General Assembly in expressing grave concern at "the ongoing human rights and humanitarian crisis in Ukraine, in particular at the reports of violations and abuses of human rights and violations of international humanitarian law by the Russian Federation."

As a global humanitarian organization, Rotary takes a proactive stance toward peacemaking by addressing the underlying causes of conflict.

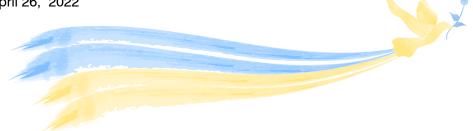
We support recent UN General Assembly resolutions calling for an immediate ceasefire and withdrawal of Russian military forces from Ukraine. This aligns with Rotary's deep commitment to promoting peace through dialogue and conflict resolution.

We are working beside our partners in the international relief community to help provide resources to the more than 10 million Ukrainian refugees forced to flee the field of battle.

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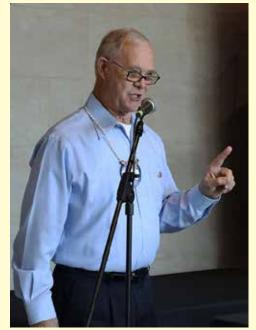
Rotary Photo Album



We lucked out on the weather.



Phil Dougherty with live meeting on Zoom.



Fred Anderson repeats the Four Way Test.



Past District Governor Holly Axtell leads the meeting as Nohemi Beissmann-Mason leads the Pledge.



We present Maggie Shao with her Blue Badge.

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