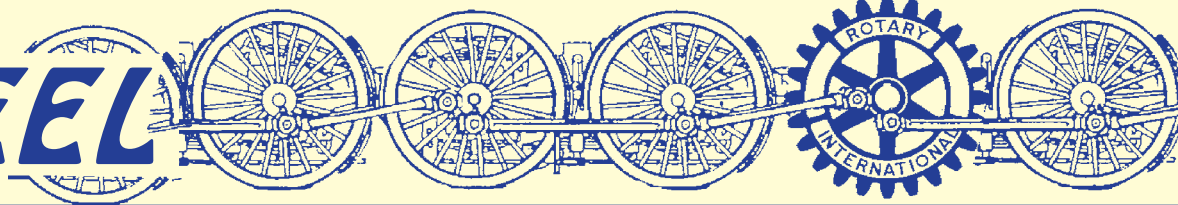


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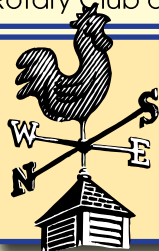


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In The Valley of Gentle Seasons



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In the Beginning...

Prez Christina opened the meeting without ringing the bell (did she forget?). This confused the students in attendance. they didn't know whether to get in the lunch line or go to their next class.

Past Prez Frank Falzon led us in the Pledge and we all followed.

Moses Jacob gave us the "Thought for the Day" which included astrological as well as vintners information: "*The sun, with all those planets revolving around it and dependent on it, can still ripen a bunch of grapes as if it had nothing else in the universe to do.*" **Galileo**. I'll drink to that!

Visitors & Guests

We had three visitors: **Dean Moser** of Ignacio; **Past Prez Darrell Scott** whose now in Lincoln, California and his lovely bride **Linda**, who is also in a Club by Lincoln.

Guests: Besides all the students and their parents, we were honored to have **Roberta Dunham** with **Past Prez Alan**; **Joni DeGabriele** with **Past Prez Chris**; **Marisa's** son **Ryan** with **Marisa**; **Kathy Ketron** with **Past Prez and PDG Russ**, nephew **Greg** with **Past Prez Uncle Frank** and **Aunt Donna**; **Jo Heffelfinger** with **Past Prez Dean**; and **Cindy Fulchiron**, the wife of our late, beloved member and **Past Prez Peter**. There were several others and I didn't get their names, but **Past Prez Gary Bramon** brought three guests and **Gary** should get a speakers gift for his introduction.

Scholarship Presentations

Past Prez Frank Bruno was the M.C. Scholarship awards and here they are:

Hannah Eaton (NOVA) received a Special Recognition Award.

Kianna Brabo (San Marin High School) received a Rotary Club of Novato - Honorable Mention Award and she'll be attending San Francisco State University.

Elizabeth DeRuvo (San Marin High School) also received Rotary Club of Novato - 2nd Place Award and will be going to Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo... Go Mustangs! **Peter Oser's** school!

Izagani Aquino (San Marin High School) won the Rotary Club of Novato - 2nd Place Award and will attend Washington State University... Go Cougars! **Jim Botko's** school!

Jessica Schneider (San Marin High School) won a **Peter Fulchiron** Commuunity Scholarsip Award... Maybe she'll become a Marine, like **Tiffany Fischer**!

Bella DeRuvo (San Marin High School) (sister of **Elizabeth DeRuvo**) Won the **Frank and Donna Falzon Scholarship in Memory of Ryan Zirkle**... A law enforcement professional.

Ryan Sterling (Marin Oaks High School) received a Special Recognition Award.

Mateo Eusebio (San Marin High School) received the **Morrissey Family Scholarship - Two Year Award** and will be attending the College of Marin, to be a Mariner!

Miles Sanchez (NOVA) was the recipient of a Special Recognition Award and has enrolled at U.C. Berkeley... Go Bears!

Wesley Fink (San Marin High School) received the **Russ and Kathy Ketron Scholarship - Four Year Award** and is going to U.C.L.A.... Go Bruins! **Jay Wayne's** School.

Koto Takeda (Novato High School) is the recipient of another **Peter Fulchiron** Community Scholarship. Another Marine? A few good men and women!

Ian Mackay-Pritchett (Marin Oaks High School) has

accepted a Special Recognition Award Scholarship.

Trevor Fox (San Marin High School) received another **Peter Fulchiron** Community Scholarship and will be another Golden Bear at U.C. Berkeley. Maybe he'll be a Marine later on.

Hector Noriega (NOVA) was the recipient of another **Morrissey Family Scholarship - Two Year Scholarship** and will be attending Santa Rosa Community College as a Bear Cub!

Amanda Oppegard (San Marin High School) will attend U.C. Berkeley, another Golden Bear! She was awarded our Rotary Club's of Novato - First Place Award.

Ashley Bautista (San Marin High School) is the winner of the **Bill and Adele Jonas Memorial - Four Year Scholarship**. **Ashley** attended San Marin High and will attend San Francisco State University majoring in fashion, merchandising, design and marketing. She'll be Gator!

Stephen Chi (Novato High School) won the **Kenneth A. Berg - Rotary Scholarship** and will attend U.C. San Diego, majoring in Structural Engineering and be a Triton (the school mascot is the son of **Poseidon** and **Amphitrite**).

I learned more about **Ashley** and **Stephen** because I sat with them.

We gave over fifty grand in Scholarships to seventeen outstanding students!

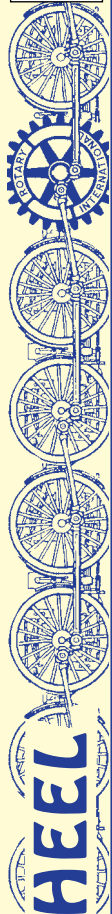
Past Prez Frank Bruno asked **Past Prez Gary Bramon**, Chair of the Scholarship Committee to speak and **Gary** asked **Past Prez Alan Dunham**, **Past Prez Brad Williams**, **Past Prez Russ Ketron** for thoughts about scholarships in their president years.

Finally, **Past Prez Frank Bruno** ended with some advice for the scholarship recipients: "*As you ramble through life, no matter what be your goal, keep you eye upon the Donut, and not upon the hole.*"

Raffle

I don't know who won the raffle. I hope it was a student.

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"Serve to Change Lives"

The Four-Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?"



Rotary Club Meeting July 23

Bill and Adele Jonas Center
IVC Campus

Catriona MacGregor:
**Restoration of Native Trees
and Wildlife Habitat**

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

July 23 **Catriona MacGregor:** Restoration of Native Trees and Wildlife Habitat

July 30 **TGIF** - Mike Morrissey

August

Aug. 6 **Friends of IVC:** Sandi Bowman

Aug. 13 Performers Dominic Quin Harkin/Lauren Clarke and Chef Bruno - Music, Food and History of Italy

Aug. 20 **Resilient Neighborhoods**

Aug. 27 **NO MEETING**

Aug. 28 **District 5150 - Rotary Radio Mystery Hour:** Zoom play written by Phil Dougherty

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Garden Party at the Morrissey's

Sit down dinner
with live Jazz performance

RSVP ONLY Limit 60 guests
RSVP to: degabriele@novato.net

Friday, July 30, 2021
5 PM – 7 PM

Shuttle Bus Transport to and from Morrissey Home
Shuttle from Park at CVS/Lucky parking lot
(7th&Grant)

Menu:

Chinese Chicken Salad, Asiago Pasta

Dress:

Casual and **NO** heels please!

Consider a hat for sun and layers for cool evening

Guests will walk through a slightly graded pebble path
and several steps to the backyard.



2021 Scholarship Student Award winners and Rotary Member presenters.

The Rotary Club of Novato Scholarship Awards

Seventeen Novato high school students received \$51,500 in Scholarship Awards from the Rotary Club of Novato in the second in-person meeting in the Bill and Adele Jonas Center at the College of Marin Indian Valley Campus. Members have been collecting funds for scholarships and awarding them since 1970. Currently the Rotary Club of Novato about \$9,500 each year in general scholarships. The remaining \$42,000 in scholarships were supporting specific fields of endeavor such as medical, trade school, science. Candidates need to show Community Service hours in addition to academic and professional goals.

~ Penny Hansen

Social Media

Marisa Remak, back from the East Coast, is taking on Public Image for our Club. There is a new process for submitting photos to the Rotary Club of Novato for any publication or social media post. All photos should be emailed to Marisa: media@novatorotary.org. She is making a huge push to have us current with social media channels.



Frank Bruno and President Christina Stroeh begin with Pledge of Allegiance.



We filled a well lit room with ample enthusiasm, hot dogs, and burgers.



Donna and Frank Falzon.



Scholarship moderator Gary Bramon and Burt Hoffmann explain the history of giving to Novato students.



Scholarship Awards Luncheon BBQ.



Botko family.