Rotary Glub of Novato

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The Golden Nugget of the North Bay

In The Valley of Gentle Seasons



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In the Beginning...

Prez Christine rang da bell and **Bev Pool** led us in the Pledge.

Past Prez (PP) Peter Oser gave us the 'Thought for the Day', "Everything is changing. People are taking their comedians seriously and their politicians as a joke." – Will Rogers

Visitors & Guests

Visitors: Zero, nada, kaput, zilch, goose egg.

Guests: **PP** (& **PDG**) **Russ Ketron** brought his much better half, **Kathy**; **PP Alan Dunham** intro'd **Roberta**; someone intro'd **Edward Oliver** (I don't know who); **Al Angulo** intro'd his grandson, **Patrick**, a young attorney in New York City!

Sunshine

Toni Bramon now has Covid-19, but she's doing all right... Send her cards!

Frank Bruno fell outta bed last night and broke a night stand. Needs Gorilla Glue!

Tip of the Week

Roy Pfeifer reminded us about environmental sustainability and the change from paper towels and napkins to cloth napkins. **Roy** advised us to use different colored cloth napkins for each member of a household or have their names stitched on their napkins.

Roy provided another tip and that's to use parchment paper instead of aluminum foil to wrap your leftovers.

Relay For Life

Craig Anderson announced that our Club raised over \$5,000 for the Relay For Life. If you haven't written a check yet, write it to the American Cancer Society and put Novato Rotary Club in the remarks.

New Member Induction

Bring out the goat. **PP Larry Harrison** inducted two new members today. **Diana Tomasini**, a retired florist sponsored by **Debbie Brusatori** (her cousin!) and **Arlene Henry**, a retired non-profit executive sponsored by **Gary Bramon** (not her cousin).

PP Larry told them about all of the avenues of service they can participate in, and he also told them to follow the Four Way Test.

Welcome Diana and Arlene!

Youth Service Presentation

Lynn Dawson and Marisa Remak told us about the areas that their Committee is tuned into:

- Interact Club at San Marin H.S.
- Continuing youth scholarships
- Continuing the Dictionary distribution
- Youth Leadership Program

They'll work with the Novato Chamber of Commerce for the Youth Leadership Goal.

Announcements

Recognition

John Cutrufelli was recognized for installing grab bars in Senior Citizens and other homes. One person whose home he installed grab bars donated \$300 to Novato Rotary!

Relay For Life Additional Donations

PP Jay Wayne thanked new people for their donations. They included Dave Jones, Mike Howard, and Burt Hoffmann.

Down at the Car Wash

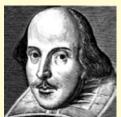
John Cutrufelli told us a sign-up sheet for the Annual Car Wash would be passed around next Friday.

Friends of IVC

Bev Pool is looking for members to sign-up as Friends of IVC. She passed out brochures telling all about it.

The Speaker

Robert Currier, the Co-Founder of the Marin Shakespeare Company and it's original artistic director was introduced. He's a drama instructor at Dominican College . He has directed over 100 Shakespeare plays and won several Bay Area Critics Awards.



Mr. Currier spoke about the different styles of writing that

Shakespeare used which, in essence, much of which was in poetic style. He said "The Bard" primarily wrote in Iambic Pentameter style, which is ten beats per line. He also wrote 11 beat lines, such as: "To be or not to be, that is the question" (which sounds like algebra to me.) Mr. Currier discussed other poetic styles and quoted "Romeo and Juliet" which sounds like this is where "West Side Story" is derived from. Mr. Currier stated Shakespeare was an extremely prolific writer and there are 36 of his plays that were not published until after his death.

Mr. Currier finished by stating "**God** is the greatest theatre and **Shakespeare** is second best."

Raffle

New member **John Reuscher** won and **Chris DeGabriele** won the back room pool.

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Change Lives

The Four-Way Test

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

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all



Rotary Club Meeting October 8

Bill and Adele Jonas Center

History of the Summer Olympics Col. Bill Cope

Annual Non Spaghetti Feed

Friday, October 30th • 6:00 PM

at The McDills' 18 San Luis Court, Novato

Vicki and Bill McDill will be opening their home for the Annual Non Spaghetti Feed. Everyone should bring a finger-food to serve 4-6 people and their good humor, so we can enjoy the fellowship and celebrate Spring. Spouses and significant others are encouraged to come and join in the fun.

Hosted by Bill & Vicki McDill

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

October

Oct. 8 **History of the Summer Olympics -**Col. Bill Cope

Oct. 15 Health Craft Talks: Maggie Shao & **Shannon Thomas**

Oct. 22 History of Beer

Oct. 30 Non-Spaghetti Feed - McDill's Home

November

Nov. 5 **National Redhead Day!** Improv with Gina!

Nov. 12 Honoring Veteran's Day

Nov. 19 No Meeting

Lebanese Dinner & Entertainment

at Sam's Place - 6pm

Nov. 26 No Meeting - Thanksgiving holiday

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Rotary Photo Album

Blue Star Moms of Marin Packing Event



Marin VFW Hall in Novato shares space for Blue Star Moms gift box to Military project.



President of Blue Star Moms of Marin, Barbara Bochner



Rotary Club of Novato President Christina Stroeh gives instructions packing for overseas shipping to military.



Rotarians writing personal letters of support for each gift box sent.



Larry Harrison
presenting Barbara
Bochner from Blue Star
Moms of Marin with
a \$1,200 check from
Rotary Club of Novato
to help offset the cost
of packing and mailing
packages to service
personnel on active duty.



Rotary Photo Album



The meeting is a welcome mix of new and pioneer members.



Marisa Remak and Lynn Dawson describe 100+ San Marin student Rotoract response.



Al Angulo's grandson Patrick Angulo passed the New York Bar.



Sustainability tips from Roy Pfeifer - Use paper, not aluminum.



Robert Currier, co-founder of Marin Shakespeare Co. reads a love sonnet.



More new members, Diana Tomasini and Arlene Henry. Welcome!



Family Day at Pioneer Park with Joni DeGabriele in Rotary refurbished Gazebo singing with Children.



