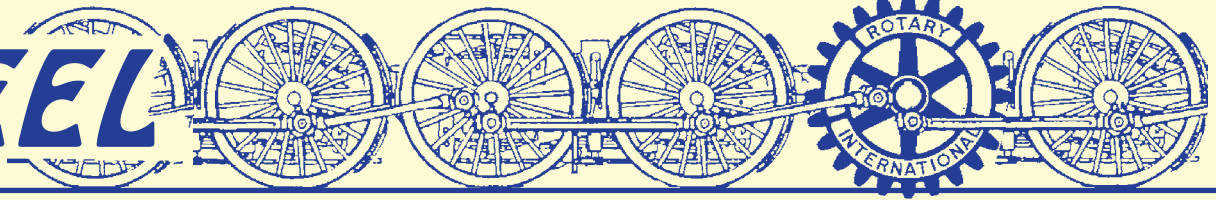


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The Golden Nugget of the North Bay

In The Valley of Gentle Seasons



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In the Beginning...

Prompt as usual, **President Chris** dinged the meeting to order. **Roy Pfeifer** led the Pledge while **Jay Wayne** tried to give the 'Thought of the Day' but had technical glitches. **Larry Harrison** called up at the spur of the moment and came up with "Do onto others before they do onto you." Wow, thinking fast on your feet, **Larry!** Later, when **Jay** got his audio working he wished us all a Happy Thanksgiving and reminded us not to lament what is lost, but be thankful for what we have. We are so much stronger together in this family of Rotary.



Guests & Visitors

Guests included former member **Peter Reubens**, **Roberta Dunham (Alan)**, **Frances Borok (Ben)**, **Kathy Ketron (Russ)**, **Vicki McDill (Bill)**, **Elena Moran**, **Jim Goss**, long time friend of **Gary Bramon**, and visiting Rotarian **John Reuscher**.

Sunshine Report

Encouragingly, no one made it on the Sunshine report. No news is good news!!

Just a reminder - there is No Meeting on November 27th!

Announcements

Los Robles Work Party

Ever busy **Jim Spilman** is working on a fire wise pruning project for Los Robles Mobile Home Park.

Jonas Center Update

Keeping the theme of technical difficulties going, **Sonia Seeman** was unable to share screen of pictures of the Jonas Center. They have been sent out by email and are on page 3 of this bulletin. She stated the Center is beyond expectations. Frustratingly, it is ready to go, but access is tied to the official opening of IVC Campus. The window is early spring to spring of next year.

Sutter's Salute to Heroes

Ryan Pocock thanked **Dennis Hagerty** for helping with Sutter's Salute to Heroes. **Joni DeGabriele** was among the entertainers. Besides being beautifully entertained, the event did raise money for the Sutter campus beautification program. For those who missed it, you can access the replay on Sutterhealth.org and also Novato Community TV.

New Rotary Club of Novato Member

Next up, another induction of a new member. **Peter Oser** did the honors. **Kathy Cheek** is a craniosacral and rolfing therapist. **Peter** mentioned that **Kathy** has been a rolfer for 24 years, and prior to that was a legal secretary for 29 years. She is also a classically trained pianist... hmmm. When we can finally get together in person, perhaps she can be an addition to the **Christina Stroeh** and **Peian Harness** musical act. **Kathy** stated she is glad to be starting a new experience. Welcome, **Kathy!**

Recognitions

President Chris called upon **Rene Prado** who has a birthday November 28th. **Bill McDill** in Arizona celebrates a milestone B-day on the 25th. They are planning a dinner for immediate family.

The Speaker

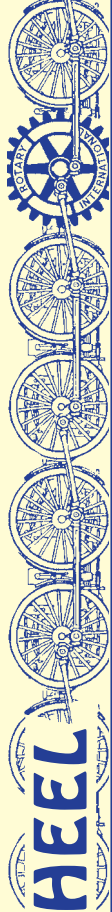
Gary Bramon introduced speaker **Linda Hepworth**. **Linda** has been a waitress for over 40 years, mostly at Chalet Basque. She worked the Hilltop as well for 18 years. She also worked at the Palace Hotel in the city. **Linda** grew up in Petaluma and started in the restaurant industry while still in high school. **Linda** is the author of three books, *Turning the Tables*, *If These Tables Could Talk*, and *The Water Beckons*. As an aside, **Linda** is in the top ten in the nation, category 200 backstroke.

Well you had to be on the zoom meeting to hear all the jokes that flowed, one after another. **Linda** feels that humor brings so much to the dining experience. Stop by Chalet Basque to say hello to **Linda** and hear some more jokes.

The Winner(s)

Ben Bork and **Roberta Dunham** both had the same number and will each see a check for \$25.

**Happy Thanksgiving
Everyone!**



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"Rotary Opens Opportunities"

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?"

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

November

Nov. 27 **NO MEETING**

December

Dec.4 **Dave Schenone.** Dave went to high school in Windsor and played football at Santa Rosa Jr. College where they went undefeated. At 6-5 and over 300 lbs., he was the sixth rated football player in California. With these talents he was recruited by **Jim Harbaugh** at San Diego State University. **Dave** will tell us about the recruitment, coaching, organization and relationship he had with this Nationally known coach.

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December SPECIAL DATES

- 12-1 Michelle Ghirardo
- 12-2 Pat Eklund
- 12-3 Kathie Williams
- 12-3 Shannon & Brad Dillon
- 12-4 Rob Haff
- 12-5 Jim Spilman
- 12-9 Diane & Jim Spilman
- 12-11 Linda Scott
- 12-12 Toni Bramon
- 12-15 Gary Bramon
- 12-18 Kathy Cheek
- 12-19 Tom Bales
- 12-20 Mike Remak
- 12-25 Chris DeGabriele
- 12-26 Samantha Young
- 12-27 Maggie Shao
- 12-30 Michele Vespa



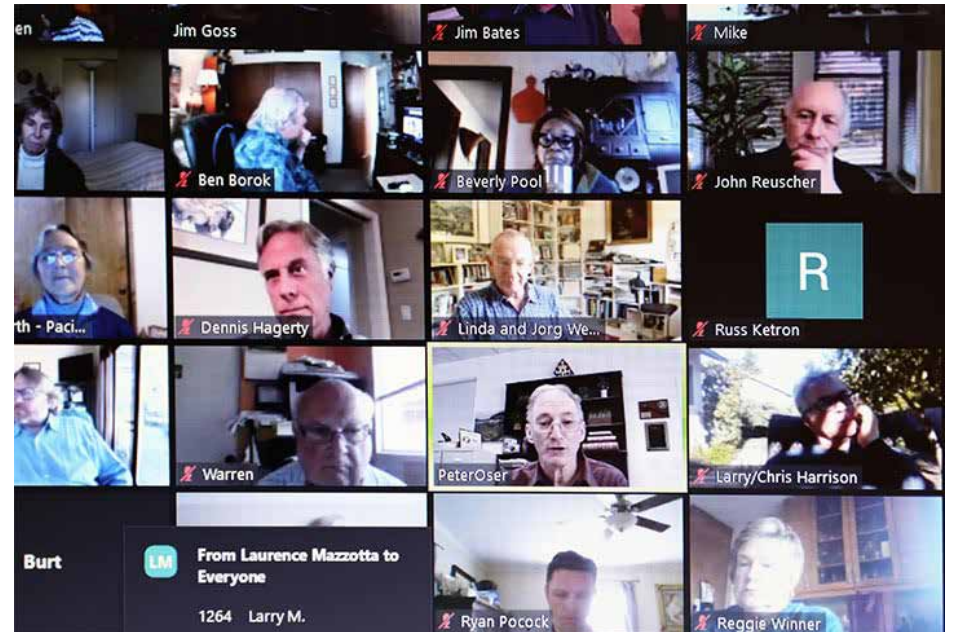
The
Bill & Adele
Jonas Center
is near
completion!



Rotary Zoom Meeting: November 20, 2020



November 20th - 53 Zoom meeting participants.



Peter Oser introduces Kathleen Cheek for her new member induction.



Marisa Remak joined our meeting from the East Coast.



Guest Speaker,
Linda Hepworth.