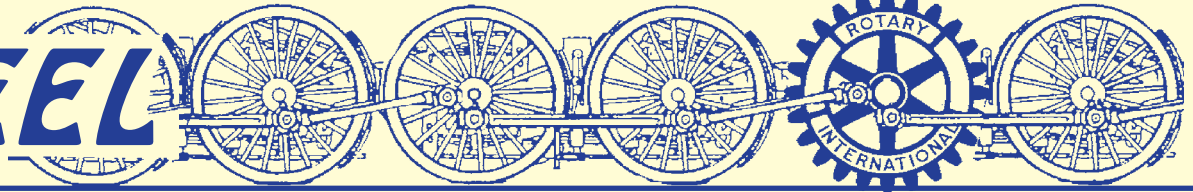


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The Golden Nugget of the North Bay

In The Valley of Gentle Seasons



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Call to Order

Prez Tommy rang da bell.

Pledge & Thoughts for the Day

Jackie Lee led us in the pledge. **Jackie** then gave us good thought: When **Prez Tommy** asked **Jackie** for a thought, she first thought of Peace & Unity, we can use it here and around the world! "I believe if each heart, each family, and each community has peace, then the world will be the best place to be. Love, compassion, unity and service to all are catalysts to help us achieve that." Here are a few quotes from **Mother Theresa** of Calcutta:

- *To handle yourself, use your head; To handle others use your heart.*
- *The fruit of love is service and the fruit of service is peace.*
- *Peace brings us together.*
- *We do not need guns and bombs to bring peace, we need love and compassion.*
- *If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other.*
- *Peace starts with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love.*
- *What can you do to promote World peace? Go home and love your family.*

Guests of Rotarians

Jorg brought two lovely ladies, his wife **Linda** along with **Elizabeth Claverie**. **Russ** intro'd **Kathy** who I believe is his better half. **Jackie Lee** brought **Randall Lee**. While **Jim Spilman** brought **Ross Millerick** and **Jean Brown** intro'd him. **Phil Dougherty** intro'd the lovely most recent First Lady, **Laurie**.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Tomorrow, Saturday, is **Art Crofts'** b'day, while last Tuesday was **Marcus Combs'** natal anniversary.

Jo and **Dean Heffelfinger** celebrated their Fifty-Ninth (yes, 59 years) anniversary. **Dean** says "We've been married more years than many members have been on earth! **Tommy** and **Tara Lee** will celebrate their Thirty-Second anniversary- newlyweds! **Peian** is celebrating fourteen years in Rotary, about half her age.

Community Care

Marty W. told us **Bill McDill** was having back surgery today. Take care **Bill**.

Remember **Dick Steinbach's** memorial will be on Saturday October 19 at Our Lady of Loretto Church with a reception following at Hop Monk.

Announcements

We Bought a Dog!

Peter Pelham told us we bought a dog for the Novato Police Department. Was it **Underdog**? Novato Speakers Series- **Phil Dougherty** advised us there would only be four speakers this Rotary year, one per quarter. The first will be **Maria Muldaur**, she's coming to sing "Midnight at the Oasis" and have a conversation with **Paul Liberatore**.

Blue Badge Talk

Patty Dougherty gave her five minute talk. She's lived her whole life in Marin, including graduating from San Marin High. She then attended and graduated from NYU (New York University). She's come back to Novato and become business partners with her dad, **Phil**.

I Want to Suck Your Blood!

Marty W. announced the Blood Drive coming up for our Rotary District. Did you know you can give blood once every eight weeks!

Planning for End of Life Decisions

Gloria Dunn-Violin announced a symposium where we will learn all about looking ahead and planning for end of life

decisions, before we kick the bucket. It will be on Monday, October 21 at the Key Room on the Hamilton Parkway.

Speaker

Moses Jacob introduced our speaker, **Julie Cohne**. Julie is an artist who has spent much time in the Amazon Rain Forest. She created many illustrations about the four different plateaus of the Rain Forest.

- The sky at the top
- The emergent layer at the top
- The Canopy
- The Bottom

The Emergent layer is where Brazil Nuts and Coca beans grow. The Canopy is for insects, birds, lizards, etc. The Bottom is the ground. The temperature is rising there and turning the Amazon into a wasteland. This is slowly being turned around according to Julie. Good program.

Raffle

Jim Spilman, once again gets the 25 bucks.

Annual Non Spaghetti Feed



Friday, October 25th, 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

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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?"

October

SPECIAL DATES

- 10-10 Zenetta & Mark Bosch
- 10-10 Gloria Dunn-Violin & Don Violin
- 10-11 Michele & Bill Vespa
- 10-12 Lori Frugoli
- 10-18 Dean Heffelfinger
- 10-24 Joni & Chris DeGabriele
- 10-25 Sara & David Gabriel
- 10-25 Christopher Mychajluk
- 10-26 Marsha & Gregory Molloy
- 10-26 Homa Rassouli
- 10-30 Ed Ross



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Upcoming Programs & Events

October

- Oct. 4 **Danica Remy:** President Asteroid Institute
- Oct. 9 **Board Meeting at Jonas Center**
- Oct. 11 **Meeting COM Farm: Tealy**
- Oct. 18 **US Marines Colonel Kearny:** On Ukraine
- Oct. 24 **Novato Speaker's Series**
- Oct. 25 **Non-Spaghetti Feed at the McDills**

November

- Nov. 1 **Frank Falzon:** Lighter Side of Homicide
- Nov. 8 **ESCOM:** G. Gonsner & L. Weingartner
- Nov. 13 **Board Meeting at Jonas Center**
- Nov. 15 **Social Event TBD**
- Nov. 22 **Jay Alexander:** Magician
- Nov. 25 **No Meeting-Thanksgiving**

December

- Dec. 6 **Meeting**

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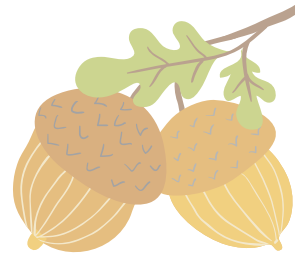
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Rotary Photo Album



Jorg with Paul Harris contributors.



Patty Dougherty's 5 minute history of the world exploration with Rotary.



On behalf of the Novato Police K9 Foundation, Peter announces Bingo at Trek in October.



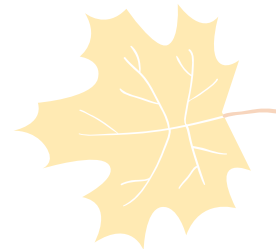
Julie Cohne describes herbal medicine.



Past Pres. Phil announces "Midnight at the Oasis" and Novato Speaker Series season of four speakers for \$100.



Jackie gives the thought for the day.





TGIF at Trek Winery

The Trek TGIF was a fun success. About 30 Rotarians, significant others, and friends enjoyed the outdoor patio. Gorgeous weather, yummy food and great company!

