



# Santa Rosarian



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## OUR PROGRAM FOR APRIL 20TH:

### THE SHONE FARM STORY

*SRJC's OUTDOOR LEARNING LAB—A 365 ACRE TASTE OF SONOMA COUNTY AGRICULTURE*

FLAMINGO RESORT HOTEL, WEDNESDAY, 12:00 NOON



A little over ten miles from Santa Rosa, north of the river in the heart of the Russian River Valley, is beautiful Shone Farm, a laboratory that provides SRJC students with hands-on experience not to be duplicated in the classroom. Each year, full-time SRJC students are chosen to participate in the Shone Farm Resident Program and live in the Shone Farm dorms in exchange for working on the farm. Student residents receive extensive training and an opportunity to participate in numerous farm activities and projects. Stephanie Thompson, dean of the Agriculture & Natural Resources Department, takes us on a virtual tour of vineyards and crop production, olive & apple trees, acres of native trees and wildlife habitat, and a bonded winery.

[www.santarosarotary.com](http://www.santarosarotary.com)

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS....

**April 27, 2011:** Project Amigo—Susan Hill

**May 4, 2011:** Sonoma County Supervisor Mike McGuire

**May 11, 2011:** Accountants Panel

### CHECK OUT THESE LINKS

Visit our website at [www.santarosarotary.com](http://www.santarosarotary.com)

Visit [Rotary International](#)

Visit [Otsuchi, Japan Recovery Site](#)

Help out at <http://www.shelterboxusa.org/>

## WEBSITE TIP OF THE WEEK

Submit your information for the new dynamic online member directory. Instructions were handed out at the April 13th meeting and emailed that evening. If you need assistance with your submission: contact Jack Abercrombie.

## NEW RED BADGERS

We were lucky enough to induct three brand new Rotarians into our club in a single day. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome **Kerrie Chambers**, **Tracy Nielsen**, and **Nancy Shepherd** to our ranks. We wish you best of luck and a fun journey on your long road to your Blue Badges.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

This week we saw the results of a great deal of hard and technically intricate work by **Wayne Rowlands** and the rest of the Website Committee with the rollout of our new, dynamic members' directory page on the www. SantaRosaRotary.com website. All members will need to login individually to update their information so don't forget to visit our club's spectacular new website and update your profile.

We are still looking for Casino Royale donations and sponsorships but so far the response has been less than we had hoped for. If you know of an individual or business that would like to get involved in the Rotary rewards of Service Above Self, please get in touch with **Sonaya Stevens** or **Yale Abrams**, with all haste. Only two months to go!! Thank you in advance.

Our very own **Jerry Marquis**, after 40 years in business, is closing his doors at the end of the year. We hope that he enjoys his green, green pastures retirement. We know he is starting



**Jerry Marquis makes a big announcement**

it off right...as he announced he recently bowled his first 300 perfect game in the bowling world's Valhalla of sports records. Congratulations, Jerry!!

## SHELTERBOX BENEFIT CONCERT MAY 1ST

Two years ago ShelterBox USA was designated as a Global Rotary Club Project. One year later, following the massive earthquake in Haiti, our Rotary Club sent four ShelterBoxes to provide shelter and disaster supplies for Haitians.

On Sunday afternoon, May 1st, all of you, and Rotarians throughout Northern California, are invited to "Songs for ShelterBox", a fundraising concert to aid disaster survivors worldwide featuring a lineup of world-class musicians. 2 to 5 pm at Winterhawk Winery off I-80 near Fairfield.

## OPENING CEREMONIES

This week the 39th meeting of **President Don's** Rotary Year was opened by **Ginny Cannon** who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Steve Reuter** delivered our club's invocation.

Club Historian **Jim Johnson** gave us a remarkable week of events 150 years ago, April 12, 1861, at 4:30 in the morning, Eastern Time when the first shot of the American Civil War was fired at Ft. Sumter. **President Don** led us all in a rousing rendition of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" in honor of this week in history.

## VISITING ROTARIANS

Thanks Pierre La Gouyne, Beverly Bowman and Shishir Doctor for joining us from other Rotary clubs.

## GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

Warm thanks and a Rotary welcome to Gina Grant and Mike Lopez for stopping by to see first hand what Rotary is all about. Come back anytime.

## RAFFLE

**Robby Fouts** walked away with this week's big pot of \$328 in cash. Once the big wigs decided whether the winning marble was black or white! You'd think after 89 years someone would remember.

Congratulation Robby, have fun counting your winnings.



**Robbie Fouts wins the pot!**

## SUNSHINE REPORT

Our lanky dentist, **Jack Tolin**, injured his hand recently and while he is up and about we wish him a quick and efficient recovery (although a bum right hand did not seem to impede his appetite).

Admission is free and wine & food will be available for purchase. A raffle, an auction, and a donation drive will allow ShelterBox USA to help disaster survivors worldwide by providing shelter, dignity and comfort.

Winterhawk Winery is located at 4537 Abernathy Road, Fairfield, CA 94534. For more information, contact ShelterBox USA Representative Bill Tobin at (916) 616-6973 or ShelterBox USA Board Member Jim Carriere at (510) 847-8927.

## ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH

Every loyal Rotarian was very proud to recognize our own **Wayne Rowlands** as the Rotarian of the Month. Due to his recent volunteer work and the many hours he dedicated to the creation and finalization of our new dynamic online member directory as well as his recent work with Rotary Means Business, Wayne has shown true dedication to what it means to be a Rotarian. Well done, Wayne.



**Wayne Rowlands,  
deserving Rotarian of the  
Month**

## BIRTHDAYS

Celebrating April birthdays were **Ginny Cannon, Sam Faye, Gesine Franchetti, Juan Hernandez and Past President (2006-07) Debi Zaft.** Happy Birthday to each of you, we hope you enjoyed the song.



**The Three April Amigos**

## PROGRAM

We were visited by Tom J. Mariani this week, a man who sleeps with a crowbar under his bed. While this may seem odd to the average person, to Tom it's perfectly justified because Tom has had first-hand experience with the results of a severe earthquake. He wants to be as prepared as possible for the next one when it hits. Back in the quake of '80 Tom and his family were driving near Eureka when a 7.2 quake collapsed one-half of an overpass of a four-lane highway, just ahead of his VW bug, due to a faulty outdated design. Unable to see the damage, he drove off

the edge of the road and fell to the hard-packed ground some 30 feet below followed by a small truck that almost landed on top of Tom and his family. Luckily, Tom and his family were able to get aid quickly due to an alert member of the Sheriff's department. That moment, understandably, changed Tom's life forever. He learned all he could about the roadways and the earthquake proofing of bridges all over California and found that the same faulty design was used in the construction of both the Bay Bridge and the Nimitz Freeway, which would both collapse in the 1989 earthquake. The Bay bridge and Nimitz freeways would later collapse in the quake of '89. To this day, Tom routinely fights to bring about awareness of earthquakes in any way he can. From meetings with government officials to visiting local organizations like our Rotary Club, he helps to spread the knowledge he gained on November 8th 1980: You can never be too prepared for the next earthquake.



**Earthquake survivor and speaker  
Tom J. Mariani**

## NEW ONLINE DIRECTORY



### Online Membership Directory Submission Form Instructions

1. Go to the club's website at [www.santarosarotary.com](http://www.santarosarotary.com).
2. Go to the "Members-Only" page. Sign on with the password "sr1921".
3. Click on the "New Member Directory Profile Insert" link. A login form will appear. Enter the username "rotary" and the password "sr1921" and submit.
4. The directory enrollment form will appear. Complete the form. Please note that some of the fields have validation for the proper format and some fields are required. Some of the fields are optional. Once you have completed the form click on the submit button at the bottom of the form. If nothing happens, scroll up the form to see if there were any fields showing validation errors and fix them. Once the form is successfully submitted you will see a success page appear that will include instructions for submitting your photo.

Photo submission: We want photos to have a width of

175px and height of 225px (or a similar aspect ratio) with a maximum size of 100KB. The preferred file format is JPEG. If you have a photo that is not in this format or size, just send over what you have we can reformat it for you. Email the photo to Jack Abercrombie at jackabercrombie@sbcglobal.net .

Thanks in advance for submitting your information using the online form as this will save our Rotary staff the requirement for typing.

*Please protect all passwords as they are for our Rotary members only. Thanks!*

#### FELLOWSHIP APRIL 20TH

**Raffle:** Suzanne Drace **Visit Rotarians:** Matt Fannin  
**Ticket Collection:** Martha Lovejoy  
**Greeters:** Eddy Erslovas & Debra Smith

## NEW MEMBER PARADE



Nancy Shepherd

## ROTARIAN QUIZ APRIL, 2011

What disease can kill you in four hours?

## PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

**Eric Tyler** - Farmers Insurance Agent  
Sponsor - **Jerry Marquis**  
**Derrek Schurter** - Bank of America  
Sponsor - **Will Haymaker**



Tracy Nielsen



Kerrie Chambers with sponsor  
Deborah Gray

*This week's photographer:  
Nicole Le*

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