

## Our Program For May 4th:

## **MEET MIKE MCGUIRE**

4TH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR—SONOMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Flamingo Resort Hotel, Wednesday, 12:00 noon



The Business Journal has featured the North Bay's top 40 business people under the age of 40 for the past five years. Did Mike McGuire make every one of those lists? If he did, no one in Sonoma County should be surprised. He was a 19 year old SRJC student when he was elected to the Healdsburg School Board. In 2004, after graduating from Sonoma State, Mike was elected to the Healdsburg City Council and then became the youngest mayor in Healdsburg history. Still looking like a teenager, he helped create one of the most successful local economies and stable municipal budgets in the North Bay while he earned his master's degree from the University of San Francisco. Last November he was elected as the 4th District supervisor for Sonoma County that includes northwest Santa Rosa, Larkfield, Wikiup, Windsor,

Healdsburg, Geyserville, and the city of Cloverdale. Including all those wineries & vineyards, the huge Lake Sonoma, and the infamous Russian River.

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#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS....**

May 11, 2011: Accountants panel

May 18, 2011: "Finding Pete" with Jill Hunting

May 25, 2011: Hanna Boys Center

## **CHECK OUT THESE LINKS**

Visit our website at <a href="www.santarosarotary.com">www.santarosarotary.com</a>
Get involved with <a href="Rotary Means Business">Rotary Means Business</a>
See what's going on at <a href="projectamigo.org">projectamigo.org</a>
Help out at <a href="http://www.shelterboxusa.org/">http://www.shelterboxusa.org/</a>

#### WEBSITE TIP OF THE WEEK

Know someone who might be interested in Rotary? Have them visit our website and fill out the CONTACT SUBMISSION FORM

http://www.santarosarotary.com/contact-us/

#### **CALLING ALL PAST PRESIDENTS**

Our never-taken-for-granted **President Don McMillan** convened today's meeting and announced that today was "Past President's Day." Twenty-one past Rotary club presidents attended and were individually recognized. It was nice to see history repeat itself. The Pledge of Allegiance was initiated by **Larry Miyano** and the always-prepared **Genie Delles** gave the Invocation, an exhortation to keep doing the Rotary thing, which is the better thing to do.



The table of illustrious Past Presidents!

## **VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS**

Jose Guillen introduced our visiting Rotarians: Karen Daniels (Sebastopol), Stevenson Atherton (St. Helena) and Susan Hill and Ted Rose (Colima, Mexico) – our guest speakers. Our guests were former member Gina Grant (intro by **President Don**), Cecilia Hernandez, daughter of, and introduced by, **Juan Hernandez**.



Don, Juan, and a bag full of Tiggers

Cecilia rounded up and donated a huge bag of Tigger the Tiger stuffed animals, all in serious need of a child to love. Terry Abrams

was introduced by her hubs and **Past President Yale Abrams**. Welcome one and all! I apologize if anyone was omitted – go to the front of the line and claim a Tigger.

#### IT'S ALWAYS SUNNY IN SANTA ROSA

**Eileen Carlisle**, our Sunshine reporter, was absent today, so that means all is sunny, right?

#### THE GREAT GIVE-AWAY

Today's raffle conductor, **Red Badger Tracy Nielsen**, tried to give away the \$50 raffle pot to **Schuyler Jeffries**, holder of the winning ticket.
Schuyler claimed the consolation prize as he clearly did not pull the winning marble. He ended



Schuyler Jeffries will be dining out soon

up with a couple of 4H Chickenque dinner tickets, courtesy of **Sam McMillian**. Numerous other tickets were raffled off with various winning Rotarians.

#### ROTARIAN MAGAZINE MOMENT

**Nona Lucas** asked the question: what disease kills within four hours?

Past President Rich de Lambert correctly answered "cholera" and now his name is written in the Book of Lyfe. Well, ok, maybe it would be on the list of Rotarians entered in a special prize drawing to be held at the end of the Rotary year. Those Past Presidents sure are a smart bunch.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS**

Past President Rich de Lambert reminded us how important our Club Secretaries are, and he mentioned Jim Durnford, Lew Robbe and Jack Abercrombie. Bob Higgs is in that illustrious group, too.

Giro Bello (not related to Larry Bello) will be here shortly – June 25. The bicycling event's 'spokes' person, **Jock McNeill,** says volunteers are needed to staff the Rotary booth at the bicycling event. **Tony Walker** is calling on all red-badgers to wheel on over to him to sign-up. Don't worry, you don't need to know how to change a flat tire in 30 seconds (added by ed.).

**Past President Yale Abrams** also called for more support (sponsorships) for our major fundraiser, the Casino Royale set for July 9.

Vinay Patel donated two tickets for the Oakland A's vs. NY Yankees baseball game (June 1). Past President Ray Dorfman bought them at auction for \$70 and was soon challenged by Doug Johnson for a \$50 bet that the Red Sox will beat the Yankees in their next 3-game series. Ray took that bet and ain't lookin' back!

Michael Sinatra challenged more members to volunteer this Saturday AM for a 'Hands-On' Club project to clean and refurbish a home for a single lady. If that goes well, I have a home that needs some work (ok, ok, just asking).

President Don reminded us about the upcoming District 5130 Conference on May 6, 7 & 8. He and Jackie and Norm Owen, Sam McMillian and Ted Wilmsen will be attending on behalf of our Club. He also wanted us to remember the Mexican Children's Orchestra event on June 11 at the Green Music Center and BBQ at Keller Winery on June 12.

Correction: **President Don** points out that Dan Schurter's name was mis-spelled in last weeks' Bulletin. It should have been **Derrek Schurter**. Let's get that wright this time.

### **SUBMISSIONS WANTED**

Be sure to put your Rotary committee meeting, social or other event on the online calendar! To list your event, fill out the CALENDAR SUBMISSION FORM on our website at <a href="http://www.santarosarotary.com/rotary-calendar/">http://www.santarosarotary.com/rotary-calendar/</a>. If you have questions, see Matt Fannin.

#### FINANCIAL FUN AND GAMES

**President Don** never misses an opportunity to fine the fine Rotarians found in the fine print (isn't that what attorney's do?) doing fine things in and around our fine community.

For \$1, these Rotarians came clean with their sad tales of trials, tribulations and travel:

**Clarice Bolles** for moving into a new house in January.

**Past President Barbara Beedon** for her son becoming married this year, after an 8-year courtship.

**Past President Ray Dorfman** for going to New York and Virginia to attend college graduations of two

nieces, AND to take in a Yankees – Red Sox game at his favorite stadium – Yankee Stadium, of course (duh). A \$1 fine for that is comparable to robbing the cradle or leaping over the outfield wall to snatch away an otherwise certain home run hit.

Past President Norm Owen and his bride Beverly are going to Reno (District Conf.), Vegas, New Orleans (RI Conference) and hitting Colorado on the return leg of their road trip. With the price of gas, good thing their fine was only \$1.

**Past President Les Crawford** paid his last \$1 to settle his 7-year divorce battle – it's final.

**Jim Johnson** disclosed that his wife Bergen's birthday is today and he needed advice where to go for dinner. Somebody murmured something about two 4H Chickenque tickets. Better do better than that Jim. Or, see Les, above.

**Wally Lowry** was fined \$1 for confessing his wife, Ellie, was an antique collector (snicker) and they are planning a trip to Omaha. Root for the hogs, Wally!

**Keven Brown** was off the hook for a trip to WashingMachine, D.C. (where they legally launder the money) to see his brother perform a play from ancient times at the Kennedy Center – all for \$1.

**Dan Bornstein** was plundered and pillaged for \$3 for a golf outing to Kona. \$3 doesn't even buy a cup of good Kona coffee!!

## **NO EXCUSES!**

Need to make up a meeting? Don't know when or where other clubs meet? Go to the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa website home page and click onto the District 5130 link for club meetings. This page of the 5130 District site lists every Rotary club meeting, including date, time and location in the district.

#### **FEATURED PROGRAM**

Past President Will Haymaker introduced us to married couple Susan Hill and Ted Rose, both Rotarians from California now transplanted in Colima, Mexico (west coast), who gave us a PowerPoint presentation of Project Amigo.

Project Amigo is a privately-funded (mostly

Rotary Clubs, businesses) tax-qualified, nonprofit organization formed to provide literacy and life skill services for poor children living in rural



Speaker Susan HIII

Colima, Mexico. The Mexican government has not provided any funding. The vision for this project started in 1984 when Ted visited Mexico and saw the need to break the cycle of poverty in small villages by

teaching children to read, go to school, graduate and find a significant job.

More than 300 children are helped each year in that area and another 60,000 children throughout Mexico are impacted by the literacy materials of Project

Amigo. The project also provides scholarships for college students. Currently, there are 104 college students receiving either financial or residential assistance.



**Speaker Ted Rose** 

Project Amigo is an anchor project

for the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa this year in the area of International Service. Past President Will has been involved in this project for the last 15 years on behalf of our Club. This is an active, hands-on, project for four 4 weeks out of the year, when Rotarians and friends are invited to serve the Colima community by

being a reading mentor, helping to distribute books or donating time to provide eye-care, glasses or dental care. Also, at Christmas, volunteers are needed to wrap and distribute gifts.

Find out more at www.ProjectAmigo.org.

#### **BOARD MEETING LOCATION**

The Board of Directors will be holding their monthly board meetings at the offices of The Salvation Army @ 93 Stony Circleon the 1st Tuesday of each month @ 4PM.



President Don accepts more Teddy Bears from the generous Cathy Vicini

# DON'T FORGET! WEBSITE MEMBER DIRECTORY

All club members: Please provide the information that you wish to have listed on our new website member directory. Log on to the website and update your profile at the "Members Only" page or contact Jack Abercrombie: jackabercrombie@sbcglobal.net

## This week's photographer: Nicole Le

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