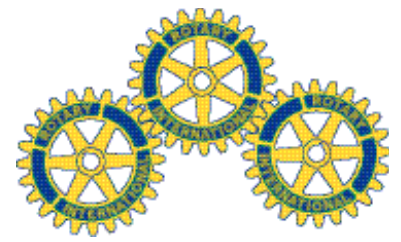




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## OUR PROGRAM FOR JULY 20TH:

### GUY FIERI DAY AT ROTARY

*"IF I KNEW THEN WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE NOW, I WOULD HAVE TAKEN JACK LEVAR MORE SERIOUSLY"*

FLAMINGO RESORT HOTEL, WEDNESDAY, 12:00 NOON



*Guy Fieri*

The Rotary Club of Santa Rosa recognizes a fellow Rotarian for his dedication to Service above Self, the generous use of his new-found fame to help others, his foundation to encourage healthy eating habits in children, his fund-raising appearances for local charities, and his commitment to entertain the nation's troops around the globe.

2006 was a good year for successful Sonoma County restaurateur Guy Fieri. He became a Rotarian, won top prize in a hit network reality show, premiered his first show, *Guy's Big Bite*, and hired the late Jack Levar—who brought Guy into Rotary—as his manager. The last five years was a non-stop whirlwind of success and fame as host of three television series and his debut last year as a game show host on NBC's primetime series, *Minute To Win It*. And—believe it or not—Guy still spends as much time possible with his wife Lori and their two boys, Hunter & Ryder.

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#### UPCOMING PROGRAMS....

**July 27, 2011:** Naomi Fuchs and Santa Rosa's new Community Health Centers

**Aug. 3, 2011:** Robin Strickler and the Rwanda School Project

**Aug. 10, 2011:** Bill Crowley  
"The Funny Thing About Bananas"

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## PLAN "B" FOR STARTERS

Our leader, **President Marnie Goldschlag**, bailed out and was replaced by **Past President Ray Dorfman**, who ran the table today (the head table). Never let it be said that old, re-tread past presidents can't hit a homerun every once-in-awhile. Apparently, according to **President Marnie's** tele-video choked-up message, she is sick AND she is in Hawai'i (Ed. suggestion: cook the taro root before you try to eat it). I smell a big fine upon her return to the Club on July 27.

## OPENING CEREMONIES

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Chip Rawson** and the Rotary Moment was deftly delivered by Red Badger **Penny Tibbets**.

## VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS

Did anyone wonder why there were no visiting Rotarians today? Our guests were Jodi Shubin, hosted by new member **Kerrie Chambers**, our club's exchange student, Leo Mastriaux, hosted by **Jeff Gospe**, and Allan Pershina (more later) hosted by **Past President Steve Olson**.



**Jeff Gospe with Leo Mastriaux**

## IT'S NOT ALWAYS SUNNY IN SANTA ROSA

**Past President Ray Dorfman** asked us to keep **Chuck Bartley** and family in our thoughts and prayers as he lost his step-son recently.

**Past President Debi Zaft** announced that Eileen Carlisle continues her recovery from her shattered ankle is quite lonely but while still house-and-wheelchair bound. So, **Eileen is throwing a Rotary Social at her home**. See Announcements below for more information.

## CASINO ROYALE II?

**Tim Stewart** led today's raffle and offered **Sam McMillan** the opportunity to win \$120. Sam decided to be charitable and pulled a blue marble from the bag. He was rewarded \$10 for his generous sacrifice.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Past President Debi Zaft** publicly recognized all Rotarians who participated in last weeks' Casino Royale fundraising event, particularly the committee members, Rotarian volunteers, donors, ticket sellers and winners. No thanks for the losers, whose money really drove the financial success of this model?

**Save the date for our first social of the year.**

**Where:** Eileen Carlisle's home, 1754 Happy Valley Road, Santa Rosa

**When:** July 28th at 5:30 pm

**Eileen** misses all her Rotary friends. So.... all Rotarians, spouses and significant others are welcome. She specifically wants to meet the red badgers. We're going to be BBQing hamburgers and hotdogs. Please bring side dish or bottle of wine (or drink of your choice) to share.

## SCHOLARSHIP TIME

As the last of this year's scholarships awarded by the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa Foundation, **Past Club President and current RCSR Foundation President Steve Olson**

presented a \$1,300 scholarship to student Allan Pershina in memory of the late **Larry Bello** (**Past District Governor and Past President of**



**Larry Bello Scholarship awarded**

**our Club in 1990-1991**). Allan is an EMT currently finishing his degree in Nursing at SRJC. This scholarship was established to assist students who are seeking an occupational/vocational major in college.

## WHAT FINE MOMENTS ARE THESE!

It might have been a mistake for **MIA President Marnie** to turn over the gavel to **Past President Ray**. He hasn't wielded this much power since he was President in 2008. Watch out, there he goes again! **Acting President Ray** allowed these finable Rotarians to confess their actions for only \$5, or whatever their conscience would dictate:

- **Gesine Franchetti**, for opening a new restaurant in Petaluma in September (built from scratch – just like their pizzas). Gesine agreed to support the Club with

\$50 and another \$50 to the Club Foundation.

- **Past President Don McMillan** left behind a Rotary flag after his debunking. It was returned to him in exchange for his donation of a box of Rotary at Work t-shirts to be auctioned by the Club.
- **Jeff Gospe** went on a Midwest vacation (that's 1), will testify to the U. S. Congress (#2), and he and Ann will celebrate their 4th anniversary next month (#3)—all for \$5 plus a \$100 gift to toward his Paul Harris Fellowship (Rotary International Foundation). He learned that Wisconsinites love their beer and cheese. Really now?
- **Kim Murphy** - \$5 for a trip to Bora Bora that must have been anything but Boring Boring. BB is an island in the Society Islands of French Polynesia (with Tahiti the most famous). If Jeff Gospe paid \$5 for Wisconsin, why did Kim Murphy pay \$5 for Bora Bora? Nonsense!
- **Ryan Thomas** gave up \$5 after finally getting his house back after a large tree fell on it about 18 months ago. That was no windfall for Ryan, just more cost on top of cost.
- **Joy & Bob Parker** had a joyous time on a cruise to Alaska, courtesy of her their children = \$5.
- **Past President Kathleen Archer** was a travelling woman and decided to contribute \$50 to the Club.
- **Robbie Fouts** paid \$50 in advance for a risqué photo he will be sending to **President Marnie** on his upcoming trip to desolate Nevada desert for the Burning Man Festival.
- **Darrell Horn** is heading across the Pond to at least three European countries = \$ 25!
- **Past President Jeanne Levin** (Fred's better 2/3rds) will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary this September. She will include **Past President Fred** in the celebration. For that, the Queen bestowed \$5 to the Club. Hmmm (insert your own comment here).
- **Nicole Le** came up with \$5 for a trip to Maui last week. What a bargain!
- Carmen Sinigiani combined a trip to Florida with a new home purchase for \$10.
- **Stephan Passalacqua** added \$20 to his Paul Harris Fellowship for a trip to Oregon.
- **Jack Atkin** for showing his audacity (a la Obama) and for trips to Hawai'i and Switzerland, he was fined \$25. It would have been \$5 without the audacity part.
- **Craig Meltzner** tripped out and paid \$50 (didn't catch the location, but it must have been worth it).
- **Doug Johnson** plowed another \$100 into his Paul Harris Fellowship for sporting a new caah (sorry, he meant 'car') and for being such a diehard BoSox fan.

- **Paul Hamilton** connected on a loooooong golf drive (maybe 300 yards), aided by the wind (or was that hot air?) and paid \$5 tribute. Do you remember how it curved around that tree, and kept on rolling along?
- **Tony Walker** got on base for \$20...something about baseball and a derogatory comment about golf, which when spelled in reverse is 'flog.'
- **John Breazeale** pitched in \$5 for something or other.

All in all, **Acting President Ray** levied fines of totaling \$590. Not a bad day's haul.

## HONORARY ROTARIANS

Next week's program speaker and our guest of honor will be master chef, author, television star, dedicated family man and hometown boy, **Guy Fieri**, who joined our Rotary Club in 2006 in the category of Restaurant Owner. When it became obvious that Guy was not going to be setting any attendance records, he became an honorary member of this club, a rather eclectic group of famous people, from our first honorary Rotarian, **Luther Burbank**. According to old club records, **Governor Ronald Reagan** was an honorary member but we have no record that he every attended a Santa Rosa meeting. Hollywood actor & movie star **Billy Barty** became involved with our Rotary Club 20 years ago when we expanded our efforts on behalf of Barrier Awareness Day. **Norm Owen** and long-time Rotarian **Tom Farrell** invited him to speak to Rotary on behalf of our nation's Little People. With our 90th anniversary only a few months away, this is a great time to remember the honorary members of Sonoma County's first Rotary Club.

## SERGEANT-AT-ARMS COMMITTEE

Thanks to **Jack Geary, Sergeant-at-Arms** and chair of our Rotary Club's largest committee, these hard-working Rotarians work behind the scenes to ensure that we don't notice what they do every Wednesday. Get to know these guys and what they do. You might need their help:

**Dick Jenkins** (Collection & Recording) Supervises lunch registration & reconciles cash collected  
**Roy Thymine** (Recognitions) Collects fines & miscellaneous income & reconciles all cash collected  
**Knick Knickerbocker** (Raffle Czar) Supervises raffle & gives club's share to **Roy Thyllin**.



**Bob Sorenson** (Fellowship) Assigns members to be Greeters, conduct Raffle, Visiting Rotarians, Guest register, lunch registration, and collect lunch tickets. **Nona Lucas** records & collects fines & passes along cash to **Roy Thylin**.

**Jack Geary** sets up room for meeting, passes the hat, acknowledges early-leavers, monitors banquet facilities, video set-up, public address system, etc., etc., etc.

**Dan Schell** assists in taking down and storing meeting room paraphernalia

**Rich de Lambert** & **Dan Wright** are back-up for set-up, take-down, and storage room.

## 2011-12 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Busy Rotarians who have not read down to the bottom of Page Four of our weekly *Santa Rosarian* recently, should check it out for—for as we hear much too frequently—“Our menu has changed”. The column on the left lists this year’s officers. The middle list includes this year’s President of Rotary International, District 5130, Maureen Merrill, and Club Secretary, Jack Abercrombie and his contract information.

Listed on the right are your fellow Rotarians who govern the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa:

**Rick Allen**      **Layne Bowen**      **Casey D’Angelo**  
**Paul Hamilton**      **Craig Meltzner**      **Diane Moresi**  
**Vinay Patel**      **Robert Pierce**      **Carmen Sinigiani**  
and Past President **Don McMillan**

Thanks to outgoing directors **Mark Burchill**, **Genie Delles** and **Sam Faye** for their hard work and service to our club. And welcome to incoming board members **Carmen Sinigiani**, **Diane Moresi** and **Paul Hamilton**. We owe them our appreciation and our gratitude for accepting these responsibilities.

## SPEAK AND BE HEARD

Sergeant-at-Arms **Jack Geary** about hand-held

microphones:

The Flamingo ballroom, usually filled with a background of sound is large with a high ceiling and two public address segments that are combined when the room is not divided. Therefore, speaking from the floor, rather than from the podium microphone requires a portable microphone so that all the members, including the newsletter editor and others who need to hear details over the distractions, and hear and understand.

Remember that the purpose of speaking is to be heard clearly and be understood. If you have something to say, please raise your hand and wait for a microphone to be delivered to you before speaking. Then stand up so we can see you then Speak!

No microphone—no speak! Not a bad rule any time the meeting is in progress.

## FEATURED PROGRAM

**Acting President Ray** became the spontaneous Master of Ceremonies for the newly-established Club tradition of “Speed Dating.” This was an interactive Club event with Rotarians engaging in 5-minute conversations with other Rotarians across the table, then prescribed switching of positions at 5-minute intervals. Having only two ears and one pen, this editor could not keep up with the pace of conversations to record all the nitty-gritty details. For more information, check out the 59-second video on YouTube.com called “Slow Motion Flapping Lips” by kromebelly.

**Acting President Ray** closed today’s meeting with an old quote: “Getting older is mandatory. Getting old is optional!” And, he might know something about this!

*This week’s photographer:*  
**Carrie Ludke**

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