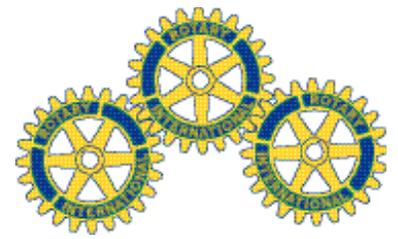




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OUR PROGRAM FOR JULY 13TH:

THE RETURN OF SPEED DATING

ROTARY FELLOWSHIP AND FUN: MUSICAL CHAIRS WITHOUT THE MUSIC

FLAMINGO RESORT HOTEL, WEDNESDAY, 12:00 NOON

Last March Past President Don combined the modern principles of Speed Dating with old-fashioned Musical Chairs and creating a new tradition for our Rotary Club—a completely different, entertaining and instructional Rotary program that encouraged everyone to put aside the hesitation and shyness as introverts became extroverts



as we exchanged personal information with the Rotarians you do not know very well to become better friends and better Rotarians. Next Wednesday President Marnie blows the whistle for another round of short five minute conversations to establish rapport and build better friendship before moving on to the next group.

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS....

July 20, 2011: Another great Rotary program coming up.

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

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

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OPENING CEREMONIES

“Girls just want to have fun!” or so says Cindy Lauper in the famous song from the 1980s... and so **President Marnie Goldschlag** begins her reign as our 2011-12 president!

Rich de Lambert led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and **Dan Schell** gave us the invocation—a lovely story of a bagpiper playing Amazing Grace for a homeless person’s funeral. We should have known! After all this was Dan. It was a joke! (but cute).

VISITING ROTARIANS

Only one visiting Rotarian, Gordon Freedman from the Valley of the Moon Rotary Club. He is our new assistant district governor.

GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

President Marnie brought along quite a few guests for her first meeting: her husband, Eric Goldschlag, Sandy Sidorsky, Howard Sidorsky, Robin Steinberg, and Ross Liscum. **Karen Ball’s** guest was Bart Eddy, **Jennifer**

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introduced Tricia Hua, and **Ted Wilmsen** brought his grandson Troy and a distant cousin, Greg Zeiske, from France.



Ted Wilmsen and guests

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS

President Marnie said she was feeling a bit nervous about her first meeting so she used an old speech technique of pretending her audience was in their underwear, “**Fred Levin**, it is just wrong to visualize you in a thong!”

Will it be fun?
Will anyone be hurt?
Will there be cocktails?
Will anyone be fined?

President Marnie read a letter from Jay Zimmer, the young man who worked as a handyman for some Rotarians in order to earn money to go to RYLA. **Robby Fouts** went to RYLA?

RAFFLE

Nick Knickerbocker was in charge of the raffle today. The pot contained \$91 with eight marbles in the bag. Brand new **Red Badger Kiska Icard** had the right number, but had to settle for the \$10 consolation prize.



Red Badger Kiska Icard joyfully chooses a marble

SUNSHINE REPORT

A little more sunshine in this week’s sunshine report: **Nona Lucas** brought **Eileen Carlisle** in her wheelchair. Eileen is going to be out of commission for 2 to 4 months for her severely broken ankle.



Eileen Carlisle



John Brown and Rover

John Brown is doing better and would love some company. Please call his son Brian to make an appointment to drop by for a visit. **Deborah Gray’s** mom is going through a rough patch and could use our thoughts and prayers too.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Casino Royale Evening of Fun is this Saturday from 7 pm to 11 pm at Sonoma Country Day School, be there! Ticket sales approach 200, but we need another hundred paying guests to meet our goals.

Layne Bowen thanked **Robert Pierce** for his work to get member photos on the **Online Rotary Roster** on our freshly refurbished website. If you wish to buy your photo by our club’s own award-winning professional photographer for personal or business use, please contact Robert at Robert Pierce Studios—539-8676. In return for a \$50 donation to

our club, you will receive your professionally-finished portrait as Robert's personal gift to you.

Fred Levin (fully dressed, thank God) is heading up the **Senior Projects Committee** in this new Rotary year. Please contact him for more information and meeting times.

An announcement about announcements: Starting next week you will see a flip-chart/bulletin board near the entrance before every meeting. Please write your announcements so everyone can read them. At the end of each meeting, the week's bulletin editor will collect the announcements for *The Santa Rosarian*. **President Marnie's** goals are accuracy and efficiency for all.

By the way, **beginning next Wednesday, July 13th, meetings will start at 12:20 pm sharp** (or maybe 12:25?) to give us all time to enhance Rotary friendships and foster more Fellowship. Hopefully this will speed up the meeting which will now start at 12:20 – 12:25 PM in order to foster more fellowship.

As for vacations this year; you do not have to bring back presents to be auctioned at our meetings. Instead **President Marnie** would prefer pictures of funny signs.

Both **Past President Debi Zaft** and **Eileen Carlisle** are in charge of the socials this year.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Sam Faye introduced: **Keven Brown, Casey D'Angelo, Ray Dorfman, Blaine Goodwin, Deborah Gray, Kiska Icard, Kim Murphy, Pam Williams and Paul Hamilton, Knoel Owen and Barry Silberg.** **Ray Dorfman** was mysteriously missing when the picture was taken. That is because he was preparing for his performance as a...



July birthdays - minus Ray Dorfman

HULA DANCERS!

OMG! As **President Marnie** has stated; she is very competitive! Last year, **Then-President Don McMillan** (2010-11) brought in hula dancers for his first meeting. Not to be out done, **President Marnie** had **Ray Dorfman, Dave Brown, and Matt Everson** dress up as hula dancers for our entertainment! Nice to see that **Dave Brown** got two weeks' usage out of his grass skirt and two coconuts. (see last week's bulletin).



President Marnie's Hula dancers boogie down!

RECOGNITIONS

President Marnie states that the out-of-pocket costs for recognitions will be smaller this year but there will be more of them. Like Santa Claus, she has a list and she's checking it twice. **Jeanne Levin** was recognized—and thanked—for her great & humorous debunking script last week. **Sam McMillan, Ted Wilmsen, and Chip Rawson** were thanked for their work on the electric chair and vivid special effects and sound. **Layne Bowen** was thanked for donating his CDs for cash as our donation to "Tornado Alley"—Joplin, Missouri's major disaster last month. **Jack Geary** and his team were thanked for their hard work setting up the meetings and taking them down each week. **Tony Walker** was fined for flirting with a girl at the Giro Bello Expo...and then vanishing when she came back! **Sam McMillan** was fined for the Shining Star Award that he got from the 4H...plus the birth of grandkid #5. **Mike Higgins** was just in Las Vegas, visiting the Eiffel Tower, the pyramids of Egypt, and other conveniently-located historical sites. **Greg Johnston** and Eric Goldschlag were fined for wearing the same shirt(?). Well, Greg gets to pay it. **Steve Reuter's** phone rang. **President Marnie** noted that members of the club were trying to disrupt her by texting and calling her during the meeting (you know who you are!).

R. I. THEME FOR 2011-12

“Reach Within to Embrace Humanity,” is this year’s theme for Rotary International and the new RI president, Kalyan Banerjee, a member of the Rotary Club of Vapi, Gujarat, India, since 1972. We are a very diverse group at various points in our lives and careers. Do what you can do. If you have more time than money, contribute your time. If you have more money than time, contribute your money. We have been through a tough economy, but we all can dig down to contribute our time or money to be the best.



NEW CAMPAIGN: POLIO PLUS

Rotarians around the world have a new PolioPlus campaign for the new year with Bill Gates. As **President Marnie** stated—Bill Gates is one of the richest men in the world. He could donate his money to any cause and he chose PolioPlus. How Cool is That!! After thousands of years of suffering and death and 25 years of dedicated effort, Rotary very close to reaching the goal—to eradicate polymelytis from the entire globe. What will \$1.2 million Rotarians take on next? We are all excited to hear the next global project!

ROTARY EXPERIENCE

Rotary changes lives...lives are changed by Rotary. We are a really good club, but we will be a better club by becoming better Rotarians. **President Marnie** admitted her Starbucks habit. As she said, she can go anywhere for coffee, but she goes to Starbucks for the experience. She wants us to share the Rotary experience with our friends, neighbors and colleagues. Her goal is 13 new members for this year. “Get your

ask in gear.” Share the Rotary experience.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

President Marnie invited our new program chair, **Matt Everson**, the podium to talk about the meetings for this year. No, he does not have anyone coming from the new Hooter’s Club (yet) but California Representative Jared Huffman will be our special guest speaker this fall, in mid-September. Lowell Cohen will drop by to talk sports this fall also. More fireside chats, more hands-on projects, more fun.

President Marnie’s closing words for the day: *“Life is tough, but it is tougher if you are stupid.”*



**President Marnie with “First Dude”
Eric Goldschlag**

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