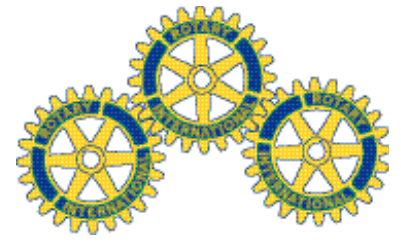




Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

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OUR PROGRAM FOR AUGUST 17TH:

KRISTIN FLADSETH

FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA ROSA, OUR AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR

FLAMINGO RESORT HOTEL, WEDNESDAY, 12:00 NOON



This fall Kristin Fladseth will attend the University of London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine on a one-year, \$26,000 Academic Ambassadorial Scholarship, from Rotary International!

Nominated by our Rotary Club and selected over many candidates in the scholarship's highly competitive process throughout District 5130, Kristin was chosen—not only for her academic achievements—but due to her volunteer work in competitive sports and HIV/AIDS education with young adults in South Africa.

Kristin grew up in Santa Rosa's Rincon Valley, graduated from Maria Carrillo High School in 2005 and from Dartmouth University four years later with a degree in Anthropology. She plans to continue her passion as a health ambassador to the global community.

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS....

Aug. 31, 2011: The North Bay's first 21st Century Hospital

Sept. 7, 2011: Wine Country's new baseball league

Sept. 14, 2011: Assemblyman Jared Huffman

Sept. 21, 2011: Our Rotary Club's Local Foundation

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[Kalyan Banerjee](#)

Editor's Note-

President Marnie thought it would be clever to run the meeting back to front today. Don't blame me, the humble messenger, for the order of today's bulletin...

PROGRAM

The Club held the first "Club Assembly" of **President Marnie's** year today. As a bulletin editor on days like this, I can't describe the anticipation and excitement that goes into a meeting where I know I'll get to write about an Assembly!

The set up for the assembly was just like my daughter's 4th grade classroom, save for the wine (thank you Social Committee!) and old people. While the kind folks of the Social Committee offered nice wine and treats, it was clear to this reporter that the **Program Committee Chair** was the most humble and handsome of all. What a Silver Fox!

The Avenues of Service simply bubbled with energy. For example, Club Service! Don't you all sort of feel a tingle when you think of the **Jacks? Abercrombie and Geary?** Don't forget **Dick** and **Bob** and **Roy!** Serving their rears off in the name of the Club since 1921! Well, if you haven't noticed, none of these fine gentlemen is under 80. We might need some younger members to help out. Sign up!

What about Service to the Community? This isn't **Tony Walker** buying one more beer from Stout Brothers'. Not that kind of service. It isn't **Jim Johnson** putting the microphone down after a 20 second intro. Nor is it a new collage of Facebook photos from another **Jennifer Peschken** visit to Vegas! No, we're talking about helping the underserved of Santa Rosa. What committee did you sign up for?

Vocational Service is an avenue that simply brims with opportunities. If you're **Ray Dorfman**, you could start a new 'intern' program like the one **President Marnie** has in her Coldwell Banker office. She sends emails out on behalf of her daughter hoping someone will hire Jessica as a babysitter. Ah, mentorship. Just think of the skills she will bring into the market place once it is time

for a real job! "Mom, can you fill out this job app for me..."

Let's not forget International Service! When **President Marnie** told us the new Rotary motto for the year was "Reach within to embrace Humanity," I thought to myself "Wow! **Rotary International President, Kalyan Banerjee** clearly does not speak every day American English or he would have known how sophomoric bulletin editors like me would find endless innuendo with his words!"

Who among us does not enjoy embracing a little humanity? In fact, rumor has it **Clarice Bolles** bought a banner with the motto just to hang over the patio in her Mexican condo! Alas, that motto is not about getting your entire hotel floor into your room for an all night party during the RI Convention à la **Ted Wilmsen**. No, what he truly meant encompasses actions taken to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace. So pick a committee, people!

In a tiny bit of seriousness, this Club has a bit of an apathy problem. A bit of a "someone else can do that, I'm busy" challenge. Let's not be passive aggressive here. Let's just be aggressive. You know who you are. You know how much you've given to this Club. Are you part of the 20% who seems to be involved in every Avenue of Service? Or are you one of the Members (italics meaning you aren't truly a Rotarian unless you actually begin to SERVE) that quietly pays dues, comes to some lunches and has a host of excuses every time a committee chair asks for your assistance?

With the Giro Bello, Club Service, Board, committees like Membership, World Community Service, Programs, Red badge, etc. there is an avenue for everyone to get involved. You might think you're invisible while you ride the coat tails of the other hard working Rotarians. You're not.

When the RI President said "Reach within" I don't think he meant sit there and scratch yourself. I think what he means is check yourself. Are you doing what you can to help this Club? If not, why not? Reach within and ask "why are you a

Rotarian?" Join a committee and recommit to Service Above Self. Make this the time you get back into Rotary.

PLEDGE/INVOCATION

Our weekly pledge was lead by the **Will Haymaker** and the educational invocation was given by **Jock McNeil**. In honor of back to school, a few of his quotes "A teacher affects eternity. He can never tell where his influence stops." And this one was profound "Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open mind."

GUESTS

We had one guest, Jessica Smith. She is looking into becoming a Rotarian.

VISITING ROTARIANS

The Beagles, Rotarians from Silverdale, WA, Harry Reiland from Sun City West Arizona, and Doug Hill from Calistoga.

RAFFLE

Today's raffle winner was **Lena Humber**. Couldn't have happened to a nicer person! She had a choice, take \$150 and skip the marble draw or draw a marble (one of two left in the bag) and win \$300 or lose it all. She gambled and won! And, as is her nature, promptly gave back \$100 to the Club!



Lena Humber is a winner!

ROTARY MAGAZINE QUESTION

August

What five countries are the most forested, accounting for more than half of the world's forest area?

SUNSHINE REPORT

John Poremba lost his step-daughter over the weekend. She happened to also be the daughter of

a Rohnert Park Rotarian, Tim Miller. A moment of silence was held for the loss. Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Double your money! Give \$100 or \$200 to your Paul Harris and the Club will match your donation if you get it in before September 21. Contact **Vickie Hardcastle!**

Your "rawstah" (or roster) is available. See **Jack Abercrombie.**

RECOGNITIONS

- **Blaine Goodwin** was tagged for spreading false rumors and for booking a speaking engagement but not bothering to show up. \$25!
- **Ray Dorfman** traveled to various Scandinavian red light districts this summer on the "Hedonism Viking Style Cruise." **President Marnie** quipped "You know, you don't actually have to visit these places...that's why they call them mail order brides!" To which Ray replied "Thumbing through the catalogue isn't the same as actually touching the products..." \$50 to the Club and \$100 to his father's scholarship fund.



Ray Dorfman is way to happy for a guy who was just fined!

- **Steve Olson** was docked for his 7th grandchild. He put a full \$200 (which equals \$400!) to his new family member's Paul Harris.
- **Greg Johnston** was nicked \$5 for wearing a sun dial on his left arm. Fashion faux pas?



President Marnie hands out fines

- **Donnie “No Socks” McMillan** was simply roasted for a picture with two “old ladies.” Neither his lack of socks or President Marnie’s point to this made any sense...

There ya have it. A festive Rotary meeting filled with disorganization, plenty of innuendo, bad beef, great jokes, good laughs and a little bit of Service Above Self.

PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

Jerry Shimp Engineer Retired
sponsored by
Nancy Shepherd



Diane Moresi seeking new members for her Youth Committees

FELLOWSHIP

August 24th

Raffle - Gary Bondi
Visiting Rotarians - Nona Lucas
Tickets - Dan Wright

Greeters - Jerry Marquis & Kerrie Chambers



Layne Bowen and Jim Johnson at the Communication table



Matt Everson and Robert Pierce



Rick Allen and Tony Rohrick collect names

This week's photographer:
Nicole Le

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