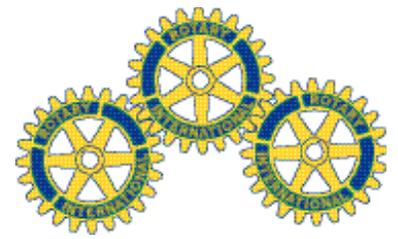




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OUR PROGRAM FOR MARCH 14TH:

AMIGOS DE GUATEMALA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

ACTIVE HEALDSBURG ROTARIAN JEAN HESCHEDÉ'S PASSION IS EDUCATING YOUTH

FLAMINGO RESORT HOTEL, WEDNESDAY, 12:00 NOON



Rotarian Jean Heschede

A partnership of Rotary and other service clubs, Amigos de Guatemala develops quality humanitarian service projects in the Central American country of Guatemala. Included in these projects is a scholarship & sponsorship program for secondary education students who travel by bus or walk one or more hours each way to school and must pay for registration, school uniforms and supplies. Individual sponsorships are available to help a Guatemalan student continue his or her education. All sponsored students communicate with their sponsors on a regular basis and exchange communications for their mutual benefit.

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS....

March 21th: Chris Coursey & the Amgen Tour of California

March 28th: KSRO's "Ask Kira Reginato" Senior Radio

April 4th: Fact or Crap? How well do you know your fellow Rotarians?

CHECK OUT THESE LINKS

Visit our website at www.santarosarotary.com

Read about the India's victory over polio

www.rotary.org

Visit Rotary's [Foundation](#) page

Go to Giro Bello Classic: girobello.com

WELCOME

President Marnie Goldschlag called the meeting to order by inviting **Nona Lucas** to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Once again, Marnie went to the bench for pinch-hitter **Dan Schell**, who told wonderful story as the invocation: Some young students who were tricked into doing their homework by being allowed to create cheat sheets of a very small dimension.



Dan Schell tells a great story

VISITING ROTARIANS

Katie Barr introduced visiting five visiting Rotarians: Peter Banks, Doug Roberts, Steve Amend from the Santa Rosa Sunrise Rotary, and Barbara Beedon and Pierre LaGourque from Sebastopol Rotary.

GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

John McHugh introduced his guest, Sherri Miller, and **Karen Ball** introduced her guest, Bart Eddy.

PAST PRESIDENTS

Immediate Past-President Don McMillan took the microphone to formerly welcome sixteen of his fellow Past-Presidents who occupied the center table of honor, replete with bottles of wonderful wine ... a bit of recognition for their service to Rotary.

Chuck Bartley: 1967-68
Bob Stone: 1983-84
Rich de Lambert: 1987-88
Wally Lowry: 1991-92
Steve Olson: 1994-95
Norm Owen: 1996-97
Jeanne Levin: 1998-99
Joel DeSilva: 1999-00
David Brown: 2000-01
Will Haymaker: 2002-03
Barbara Beedon: 2003-04
Yale Abrams: 2004-05
Debi Zaft: 2006-07
Ray Dorfman: 2007-08
Fred Levin: 2009-10

Ray Foreaker: 1991-92 (San Rafael Rotary)

SUNSHINE REPORT

Nancy Shepherd reported that **Sam McMillan** is recovering from shoulder surgery.

ROTARY MOMENT

Kim Murphy described her plans to head to Indiana to offer help to the many families impacted by the recent tornados. She promised to take the good wishes of all Santa Rosa Rotarians and to report back if there are any special needs with which we might be able to help.



Kim Murphy heads to Indiana to serve tornado victims

RAFFLE

Red Badger Tim Delaney—who also served as a greeter for today's—stepped up to conduct the raffle. Tim invited **Kim Murphy** to draw the ticket held by **Peggy Soberanis** who selected the winning marble and walked away with \$279...until

President Marnie successfully solicited a \$50 donation which Peggy directed to her Paul Harris Fellow. Editor's note: Peggy may have set a record for the luckiest Raffle winner in 90 years: Second time for a fellow Rotarian's lucky ticket was drawn within 90 days and the second time lucky ticket holder pulled the white marble consecutively. Peggy won well over \$500 from the two draws!!



Lucky Rotarian Peggy Soberanis

Then the past-presidents chimed in with some commentary about their side bet which resulted in both **Norm Owen** and **Rich de Lambert** adding \$5 to the clubs coffers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Doug Johnson described the Giro Bello thermometer to monitor our progress toward our fundraising goal of \$30K in sponsorships for this second annual biking event. He encouraged all to pick-up a packet of information at the end of the meeting and to solicit sponsors. For every \$500 sponsorship, the solicitor receives a chance to win an Apple iPad in a drawing.

Doug continued with a quick auction for symphony tickets which **Craig Meltzner** received as high bidder.

Past President Steve Olson took the microphone to share with all that the foundation was presenting to the club two checks totaling a touch less than \$18K representing fundraising success from Casino Night and last year's first Giro Bello.

President Marnie

graciously accepted the checks and informed the club that the costs of the recent dictionary project have now been covered!

Steve Olsen then described how we can support the wife of **John Breazeale**, Davina, as she and the entire family face her challenges of moving through a series of chemotherapy treatments.

ROTARY DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

All of us from the 90-year-old Rotary Club of Santa Rosa are all cordially invited to District 5130's gala celebration for the visiting French GSE Team on Friday evening, March 30th in Ukiah that kicks off our District Assembly the next day at Mendocino Junior College in Ukiah. **Club Secretary Jack Abercrombie** confirms that our club will reimburse you for expenses associated with your attendance on Saturday, March 31st. Santa Rosa Club Rotarians should register and confirm your attendance with Jack Abercrombie.



Steve Olson presents generous donation from the Foundation

Friday, March 30, 2012: The Celebration Gala for the French GSE Team starts with a 6 pm reception at "Barra of Mendocino Winery", 7051 North State Street, Redwood Valley, followed by dinner at 7 pm. Saturday, March 31, 2012: Check-in for breakfast at 8 am, Mendocino Junior College, 1000 Hensley Creek Road in Ukiah. Flyers for both events will be distributed at next Wednesday's Rotary meeting at the Flamingo. For more details, please call Sandie Krutz at 707-837-5210.

BIRTHDAYS

Kerrie Chambers invited Rotarians with birthdays in March to step to the front of the room where they were feted with song. Happy Birthday to these March babies, including two past presidents: **Mark Burchill, Joel DeSilva, Doug Johnson, Sharon Liddell, Jock McNeill, Robby Fouts, and Debra Smith**. Also with birthdays this month but not present were **Rick Allen, Eileen Carlisle, and Larry Miyano**.



PROGRAM

Immediate Past President Don McMillan

described the many steps each one of our honored past-presidents took to become a Rotary Club president. It's daunting! It requires commitment to attend so many meetings!!

In turn, he invited three of our distinguished past-presidents to speak of their experiences.

Jeanne Levin was truly honored to be our club's first female president. She fondly remembered a bottle of toxic waste a fellow club member presented her as a gift during her year as



Queen Jeanne Levin, our club's first female president

Queen. Among all of the fun and projects she held on to the deep sense of honor she felt to serve.

David Brown echoed the sentiments of Jeanne. He enjoyed his trip to Argentina to attend the Rotary International Convention and he looks to Rotary as a family where he has devoted almost as much time as he has to his 34 year career with the YMCA.

Barbara Beedon mentioned how much she appreciated the support of others as she moved through her year. It encouraged her to continue by sharing her leadership skills as an assistant District Governor.

President Marnie reclaimed the microphone and praised all of her predecessors for their service. She concluded Past Presidents' Day with these words from another past president, President of the United States Ronald Reagan, who said, "The work of volunteer groups throughout our country represents the very heart and soul of America. They have helped make this the most compassionate, generous and humane society that ever existed on the face of this earth."



**Past President Chuck Bartley
1967-68**



**Past Presidents (and twins separated at birth)
Wally Lowry: 1991-92 and Rich deLambert: 1987-88**



Don McMillan introduces the Past Presidents

PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

Keith Gentry - Insurance Broker
Sponsor - **Jack Abercrombie**

FELLOWSHIP

March 7th

Raffle - Kerrie Chambers
Visiting Rotarians - Doug Johnson
Tickets - Tim Delaney
Greeters - Don McMillan & Suzanne Drace

This week's photographer:
Diane Moresi

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