

# The Voice of the Vineyards

The Weekly Electronic Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Healdsburg

"The mission of a bulletin is inform the membership,  
comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable"

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## OPENING & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



**President Jim** welcomed members and guests  
and asked visiting Rotarian Lynda Guthrie to lead the Pledge of  
Allegiance

## GUESTS & VISITING ROTARIANS

✓ Lynda Guthrie

✓ Shannon Wren

✓ Anne Morkill (Speaker)

✓ Roy Reynolds



✓ Shaun Shields



### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The difference between average people and achieving people is their perception of and response to failure – John C. Maxwell



### BOOKS, MOVIES, & THEATER RECOMMENDATIONS

“Simone Biles: Rising” – Streaming on Netflix

**Nita Parker** recommendation

### TRIVIA QUIZ

Question: Name all the Seven Dwarves from Snow White.

Answer: Grumpy, Sleepy, Happy, Sneezy, Dopey, Bashful and Doc.

Winner: **Rich Lapping**



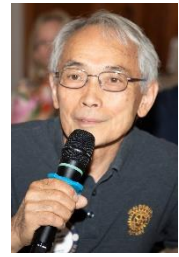
### UPCOMING CLUB SOCIAL EVENTS (all have Google doc sign-up sheets)

- **President Jim** reported that the District Governor event was lauded by the DG as the best he has attended so far.
- 5:00-8:00 Brandt Beach BBQ (c/o Dr Dave) \$60/person Polio Plus Contribution.

### OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✚ July 30--Doug Pyle's son Steve Pyle's band will play the Healdsburg Square Tuesday concert.
- ✚ Aug 6--City of Healdsburg, Implicit Bias Training. Raven Performing Arts Theater 6:30-7:30
- ✚ Aug. 13--Rose Garden with Healdsburg Garden Club

- ✚ Aug 17 Climate Ride–**Norm Fujita**: sign up to ride 11, 35, 53, or 80 miles with other Rotarians



- ✚ Aug 30 Stewardship Day with Landpaths at Riddell Preserve 9:00 am - 1:00, Aug 9 – **Norm Fujita**

- ✚ Aug. 8 and Sept. 12 – Pediatric Dental Initiative, Free one hour Tour of the PDI Surgery Center and lunch at Charlie’s Restaurant – **Tom Cleland**



- ✚ Polio Plus Quarterly Pledge Sign-ups - \$25 - \$250 per quarter; all are encouraged to give quarterly

- ✚ **Norm Fujita** congratulated **Graham Freeman** for the most climate footprint reduction this year



## CELEBRATIONS

### *Birthdays*

- July 8 **Brad Pender**
- July 13 **Graham Freeman**
- July 19 **Devin Drew**
- July 20 **Kathryn Korn**
  
- July 21 **Bob Livingston** pledged \$77 to Paul Harris Fund for his birthday
  
- July 24 **Jaime Campoverde**
- July 27 **Mike Potmesil**



### *Wedding Anniversaries*

- July 7 **Doug Garrett**
- July 8 **Norm Fujita**
- July 28 **Mike Potmesil**
- July 21 **John Hazlett**
- July 21 **Patti Mannat**

*Rotary Club Anniversaries*

- July 2 **Andrew Sturfels**
- July 7 **Paul Jones**
- July 12 **Tim Regan**
- July 18 **Barbara Oddone**
- July 19 **Jaime Campoverde**
- July 22 **Henk Peeters**
- July 24 **Dave Anderson**
- July 25 **Brad Pender**
- July 30 **Paul Sullivan**
- July 31 **Joe Sobolewski** pledged \$250 to Paul Harris Fund for his anniversary with the Club

**HAPPY \$\$**

- ❖ **Fred Roberts** pledged \$50 to the Club in celebration of his attending the British Open at Royal Troon in Scotland, having family visiting from Dubai, and attending the final home game of the season for the Prune Packers, who came from behind to win with a walk-off home run by player from Texas. **Fred** brought several items for **President Jim**, including a British Open hat.



- ❖ **Rich Lapping** pledged \$100 to the Club in celebration of closing the sale of his condo in SF.

- ❖ **Barbara Rosen** pledged \$30 to the Club in celebration of her recent Douro River cruise and presented **President Jim** with a gift.



## TODAY'S PROGRAM: EXPLORING SONOMA COUNTY'S NATURAL TREASURE: LAGUNA DE SANTA ROSA



**President Jim** introduced presenter Anne Morkill, Executive Director of the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation. Anne explained that the foundation stewards' habitats and inspires people to foster connection and contribute to a healthy environment throughout the Laguna de Santa Rosa watershed, which runs from the Mayacamas westerly through Santa Rosa and Rohnert Park.

Challenges to the health of the wildlife of the Santa Rosa Plain include land use changes, flood control, sediment, water quality, invasive species and climate change. Anne had maps showing the land use change from 1877 to today. The headwaters for the Laguna de Santa Rosa are a plain in Cotati. The watershed is fed by Windsor Creek, Mark West Creek, Santa Rosa Creek and Upper Laguna de Santa Rosa. Flood control impacts water flow in the Laguna de Santa Rosa, sometimes reducing it to separate lakes. Sediment from all sources clogs up the Laguna. The Foundation is actively managing sediment to reduce the impact.

The Foundation impacts the watershed by restoration and conservation projects, establishing Laguna learning schools and the Laguna Environmental Center located in Santa Rosa. See website at [http://lagunafoundation.org/learning\\_overview.html](http://lagunafoundation.org/learning_overview.html). The Foundation has also worked with local farms to support conservation easements to protect the land from development. The Foundation sponsors special projects such as Hood Mountain Regional Park, Cunningham Marsh, Vine Hill Preserve, Pitkin Marsh Preserve and Shone Farm Forest. The Foundation also operates Camp Tule to help children appreciate nature and the environment. Other activities include community education walks, Laguna Stewards, Garden and Nursery Volunteers, art shows, service projects and more – visit the website at [www.lagunadesantarosa.org](http://www.lagunadesantarosa.org).

### RAFFLE



**Richard Norgrove** was fortunate to win the raffle. However, **Rich** did not select the coveted white marble. He walked away with a fine bottle of Truett-Hurst wine.

## CLOSING

**President Jim** rang the bell at 1:32 to conclude the meeting.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- August 5 Reimagining Plan, Sonoma County Library - **Andy Elkind** and Sarah Vantrease
- August 12 Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Sonoma & Marin – Andrea Coen

