

ROTARY CLUB
OF SANTA ROSA WEST



Bulletin 2/5/16 - The Anthill Foundation

by Christine Schieberl - Monday, February 05, 2018

Wow, so nice to be back at St. Rose! Need to get that thermostat working tho.

President Chris Parr-Feldman opened our meeting today at 12:30 and asked Julie Nation to lead us in the pledge of allegiance. Steve Reis had 2 quotes from Michael Montaigne: “The surest sign of wisdom is constant cheerfulness” and “A good marriage would be between a blind wife and a deaf husband”.

President Chris thanked Bob Zeni for being our cashier, Tarina Hall for selling tickets, Gail Johnson for being our greeter, and Bill Gunter, Ray Madison and Lidio Tropiano for set-up and tear down. She also thanked Susan Nowacki for writing the bulletin.



Gail Johnson introduced our visiting Rotarian and guest speaker Frank Mayhew from the Sebastopol Rotary Club. Susan Nowacki introduced our soon to be outbound exchange student Audrey Brown who is currently a sophomore at Santa Rosa High School and will be going to Denmark in August for her year abroad.



President Chris told us about a nice article in the Upbeat Times about our Rotary Crab Feed which mentioned how we are honoring our heroes.

Chuck Baker was announced as our Rotarian of the Month. Chuck has been a Rotarian for 29 years and has recently agreed to be in line for our club's presidency.



Ginny Pitts announced the Transcendence Theater will hold a performance for our Rotary District 5130 on May 25th at the Luther Burbank Center at 2:00 o'clock. The title is "Ladies of Broadway" and ticket prices will be from \$33 to \$118 each.

Ginny also encouraged members to bring in more wine for the silent auction as well as other items for bidding.

Janet Coddling has raffle tickets for the crab feed. She told us about the Cloverdale Rotary's SCARC evening February 22nd which will also be a crab feed. See Janet for tickets.

Doug Angelo who coordinates our bar at the crab feed needs volunteers for bartending. It's a fun activity so sign up.

Kris Lepore reminded us to come at 9:30 the morning of the crab feed for set up. Time flies and the room looks great in such a short amount of time. David McDonald is selling Golden Tickets for \$100. Bill Dodson said we've sold 220 tickets for the event so we need to sell another 180. Email your business cards to Milagros if you want to have your business listed in the program.

Janet Coddling has a birthday coming up tomorrow (Feb. 6th) and she has already started celebrating with her family.

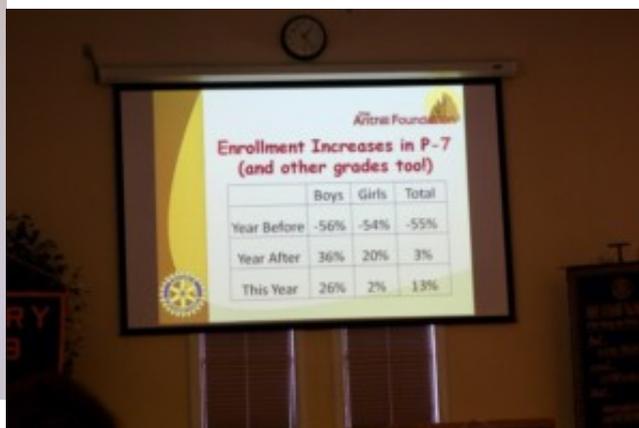
Chuck Stark, with his darling dog Skipper by his side, told us about his trip to Hawaii where he was overseeing remodeling of his vacation house. He generously donated \$20 for this recognition.

Raffle: There were 11 marbles in the bag and \$650 in the pot. Gail Johnson had the right ticket but didn't pick the black marble. She was a lucky gal tho with the next winning ticket for the spin and won a bottle of wine.

Matt Delaney introduced our speaker, Frank Mayhew who told us about the Anthill Foundation in Uganda which is dedicated to keeping girls in schools and improving education not only for the girls but the boys also. Because of poor sanitation and lack of privacy for girls when they reach puberty the dropout rate soars. This is a major issue throughout the developing world.

The Anthill foundation was founded by Frank and Kathy Mayhew in 2003 and along with Dale Knight they have worked tirelessly to help educate and assist people living in

extreme poverty in Uganda. Along with Rotary global grants schools have been built with privacy bathrooms and books have been supplied to students who may keep them. Follow-up studies have shown tremendous improvements in keeping boys and girls in school and test scores attest to educational growth.



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