

Rotary Club of Santa Rosa West

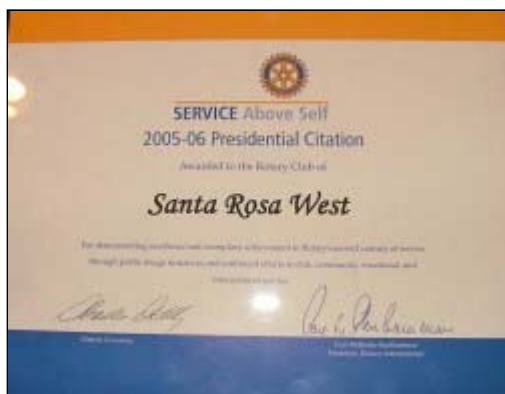
Bulletin for June 5, 2006 Highway 101 & Other Traffic Issues

By Chuck Baker

Preliminaries



Our meeting of the greatest club with the finest members and holder of the "**Service Above Self 2005-2006 Presidential Citation**," was called to order by President **Chris Parr-Feldman** at 12:30 Post Meridian.



| Coming Up |
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| 6/12 - Vet Goes Back to Vietnam to Aid Children & Supply Wheelchairs, Corbin Cherry |
| 6/19 - TBD |
| 6/26 - President Chris Parr's Last Meeting |
| 7/3 - DARK |
| 7/9 - President Chris' Debunking |
| 7/10 - TBD |
| 7/17 - GSE Team to Argentina - Richard Powers |
| 7/24 - Ending Poverty One Village At A Time - Frank & Kathleen Mayhew |
| 7/31 - District Governor Erna Stevenson Visits |

The pledge to the flag was led by **Jim Benoit**. The Rotary Moment was brought to us by **David McDonald**.

Visiting Rotarians were introduced by President Elect Elect (gosh, I love that title) **Fred Zmarzly**, and due to it being vacation season, he had an easy job with only two visitors.

Guests of Rotarians included **Ruth Lincoln** of Sonoma County Health Services, guest of **David McDonald**; **Teddy Sipe**, **Dee Marigo**, **Elizabeth Marris** all introduced by their respective husbands, and **Bill Dodson** introduced his daughter, **Jennifer Rocklin**, grandson, **Creighton**, and **Susy McBryde** of Boost Camp.



Announcements and Such:

President **Chris** and VP **Chris** will be attending the International Convention so **PDG Mike Merrill** and PP **Mike Moore** will be doing the honors in their absence.

VP **Chris Rosell** reckoned that due to member input, our annual fundraiser, at least for the time being, will remain as the Crab Feed, and that this year **David McDonald** has graciously consented to act again as chair. "They" are working on the venue and the potential alcoholic beverage issue.



Roger Olson dropped flyers on the tables promoting the Pacific Coast Air Museum 1st Annual Shrimp Feed fund raiser, June 17 from 5 to 9 PM, Finley Hall at Sonoma County Fair Grounds. Tickets are \$40 and must be purchased in advance. See Roger for details or tickets.

Susy McBryde accepted SRW Rotary's donation to Boost Camp, affiliated with Conductive Education, benefiting persons with motor impairments and enabling them to find the right strategies to rehabilitate themselves. **Bill Dodson's** grandson **Creighton Rocklin**, a Boost Camp student, presented the club with a plaque of appreciation.



Dee Marigo and **Elizabeth Marrs** accepted the club's donation to Inner Wheel to assist them in their community programs. Inner Wheel members assist in selling raffle tickets at the Crab Feed. Our donation to them allows them to concentrate their efforts on what they do best rather than raising money.



Raffle

Ginny Pitts got the chance at one of 20 marbles for \$375, but it was not to be. Sorry, **Ginny**. **Marv Hyman** did much better, however and walked away with the bottle of Windsor Cab.

Program: Highway 101 and Other Traffic Issues

Jason Nutt, Traffic Engineer for the City of Santa Rosa for the past nine months, narrated the CalTrans Powerpoint presentation on the two concurrent projects that we know as "The Widening of 101" and which will be with us for the next 30 months or so.

You would never believe that a government project was over budget before it started, right? In the case in point, one segment was 15.7 percent over and the second was 36.33 percent over, the over runs being primarily due to fuel, steel, asphalt... I wager they'll find more. Stay tuned.



Jason reported that there have been fewer problems due to the 3rd Street underpass closure than expected. Probable proof that Santa Rosa drivers are smarter than they expected.

For the pending closure of the North bound 3rd Street off ramp CalTrans suggested a detour taking traffic off at the College exit, under the freeway on lane restricted College Avenue and then back to 3rd. The city proposed what appears to be a more reasonable route: Hwy 12 exit and thence back into the downtown. It's going to be fun, folks. Get used to it.

The Steele Lane bridges are going to use a new technology: the bridges will be constructed on hydraulic jacks and when complete, lowered to operating level.

Future projects for the city will include the 6th Street under-crossing and the widening of College Avenue between Morgan and Cleveland.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM

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