

Rotary Club of Santa Rosa West

Bulletin for October 17, 2005 District Resolutions and Print, Our Thailand Exchange Student

By John Meislahn

Preliminaries



Open: President **Chris Parr** opened the meeting with her usual enthusiasm and charm.

Pledge: Performed by **Don Ling**

Rotary Moment: **David McDonald** gave tribute to his sister-in-laws new baby and tried to compare the infants to little flowers and new life joys.....(apparently he has not had a baby in his own house for some time)

Visiting Rotarians:

Ray Mattison introduced the Pres. Of the Petaluma Valley club-**Derek Stefan** and **Maureen Merrill** from the Windsor club as well as other Rotarians that were happy to be there.

Guests: **Carston Mitchell** thought he was a guest- as his usual table at the front left was missing.....**Mike Moore** then introduced **Ralph Lassa**, as **Ralph** was sitting in the chair for **Bob Marigo** who ironically was livening up the happiest place on earth, Anaheim.

Coming Up

10/24 - China, Susan Nowacki

11/7 - Steroid use and effects on family after death of a son - Ray Garibaldi

11/14 - The Future of Two Koreas, speaker from the Korean Economic Institute

11/19 - [Rota Rock Cafe:](#) District 5130 South Foundation Celebration

11/21 - Past President Louis Capuano talks about Hurricane Katrina and its effects on his family and others on the Gulf Coast

11/28 - Sara Skinner, Petaluma's Adobe





Announcements and Such:

President **Chris** then made an announcement of a board decision to raise the early leavers fine to \$10 starting with today's meeting. Pony up you guys!

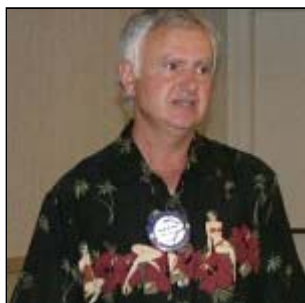
Kent Siegmiller, Past President of Sebastopol, invited everyone to his club's fundraiser on November 5th - \$90 tickets Black Tie event. **Phil Talamantes** confirmed that the event will be Nuclear Free.

On the tables we also had a shopping list for our Troops in Iraq. The moms of the military will have a station to collect items at our November 3rd meeting at the Vets.

October 27th is the Association Meeting at Villa in Healdsburg. See **Janet** to attend



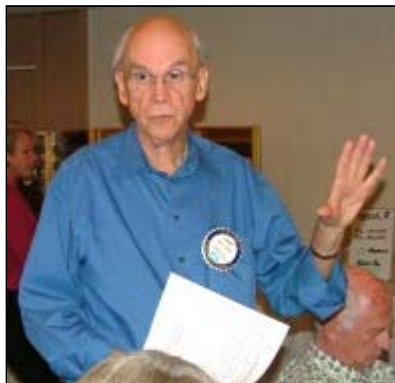
Joe Perez said this weekend only at the airport there would be a special plane on display. But by the time you read this you will have missed it.... maybe Joe will take pictures for you....



President **Derek** of the Petaluma Valley club told us of their next

event at the Sonoma Marin Fairgrounds on October 22nd. Oktoberfest event at \$12.50 a pop. 1-7pm all proceeds will go to Katrina Relief.

Harry Rubins then told us it was Foundation Time again. The club goal is \$140 per person for the year. The next event is the Foundation Dinner at the Friedman Center on November 19th and Raffle tickets at \$10 each are now available.



John Meislahn then announced that the Rotary Christmas Party would be on December 4th at 5pm at IPP (that's Immediate Past President for you FNG's) **Jim Hinton's** house. Same great time as last year!

Craft Talk

Bryan Fikes gave us his craft talk (for a 2nd time). **Bryan** left the Bail Bonds Business when he left our club a few years ago. He got into the Radio Broadcasting field and traveled with the Amature Group and then hooked up with a job here in SR with KJZY. He also has Fetal Monitor Sonogram business and the DVD conversion company to take old movies and make them into epic features. (He helped make our Anniversary DVD for the Club). In his little spare time he golfs, plays a mean game of poker and is trying kite sailing. Welcome back **Bryan!!**



Recognition

President **Chris** came into the crowd to talk to a few folks and stopped first with **Ginny Pitts** and **Tarina Hall**. It seems these two jet set ladies just got back from Paris (France not Texas) with **Ginny's** mom in tow. They had a great time eating and drinking,

albeit at a slower pace (Ginny's mom is 80!). Tarina told us they left the wine back in Paris but not much. No dispensation for these two wine weary ladies, they were both popped for \$20 each.



Bob Zeni was called upon, as today was his Birthday. We sang happy BD to him and learned he has been at home helping Dolores with a new hip. He told us he would just be hippity hoppitying around the home tonight with nothing special planned. He put \$20 in the coffers and added \$100 to the Foundation.

Bob Reinking had a B-day a week ago and celebrated by going to conference in New Mexico with his wife, then Vegas then a nice dinner in SF. His fine was \$25.



Ray Mattison also did a B-day recently and he went to dinner too but decided to also fork out his yearly Foundation fee of \$140.!!!!

***Jim Sullivan** and **Pete Lamonica** just happened to be sitting at John Meislahn's table in the front and were overheard talking about their recent 10 day Cruise to Mexico. Apparently a few of **Pete's** family from Italy were on the boat and **Sullivan** had to endure endless conversations in Italian. The language of food and good drink crossed all boundaries it seems, and they all had a good time. Once again, they each gave \$100 to the Foundation. (Harry has never had this influence before!!)



Louie Capuano was President **Chris'** last stop to discuss what the hoopla was over his getting congratulations. It appears he has had publicity on getting his power plant up and running in the next coming months. He will celebrate by recommending our SR rates go up.....?!?! another \$140 to the Foundation was given by **Louie**.

Raffle:

The first pull of two tickets produced **Bob Coleman** got the chance to, but did not get the lucky marble out of 20. **Von** was the recipient of some triple gold, buttery creamy, kissed by Sonoma County sunshine chardonnay.....(couldn't have been anything but another award-winning Windsor Vineyards wine ☺ -Ed)

Program: Resolutions & Exchange

We had two speakers sharing our program duties today. First was our own Past President ('94-'95) and Past District Governor ('99-'00), **Mike Merrill**. And next was Santa Rosa West Rotary's exchange student from Thailand, **Print**.

PDG **Mike** was wearing his District Resolutions Committee Member hat today. **Mike** is the ranking member of this committee. It meets to consider any proposed amendments, changes or other revisions to District Policies and procedures that might be brought to it by the clubs in our District 5130. His committee also meets with the District Representative to the Council on Legislation, but wait! That's yet another hat that this busy PDG wears. He **IS** the DRCL (or **Durkel**, as one would be known in the inner circles of Rotary).



Mike started off by discussing the process of the Council on Legislation. As a Past District Governor, **Mike** was selected to be the official representative of our District 5130 for the 2004 Council on Legislation. They meet for 5 days every 3 years. In 2007 Past District Governor Norm Owen will represent our District.

PDG Mike told us there are no more Senior Actives. Only Active and Honorary. He then went over the process and procedures of the Council and the Strategic Plan they also implemented. Some goals were also made like Eradicating Polio and Enhancing Rotary's Public Image.

One of the changes put into place was the acceptance of Rotary Fellowship meetings being accepted as make-ups.

Chris Young then introduced **Print** or Krittayawan Klinkaeo (her full name), our exchange student.



She is from Thailand and showed us some great pictures of her family. Her brother is also an exchange student in Seattle. She currently attends Piner High, and at home goes to an all girls' school with 5,000 students!!!

She then showed a short film on the beauty of Thailand as tourist spot. Great Job **Print** and **Mike!!**

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