

Rotary Club of Santa Rosa West

Bulletin for December 20, 2010 Holiday Cheer with Santa Rosa High School Choir

By Julie Nation

Preliminaries



President Bill Dodson, along with his **First Lady Toodie**, opened the meeting with a twinkle in his eyes, and immediately set the tone of our gathering. This and his whitening hair and beard definitely put us in the spirit of the season.

We were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by **Pamela Domino**.

Susan Nowacki shared a "moment" with us.

Visiting Rotarian was **Don Johnson** from the Windsor Club, who announced his Club's raffle promotion—a \$2,000.00 wine collection as first prize, an iPad for 2nd, and 3rd is a wine tour and dinner.

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Coming Up:

12/27 - DARK

1/3 - Club Assembly

1/10 - TBA

2/12 - [Crab Feed](#)



First Lady Toodie



Our Belgium Exchange Student Leo

President Bill then officially introduced his guest, his wife, and our **First Lady Toodie**. Our Club's Belgium Exchange student, **Leo**, was the guest of **Gail Johnson**. **Leo** was asked to give us an update of what he is doing. He reported he was soon going to Southern California to the beach where there are girls in bikinis. Club members chuckled,

as there are storms arriving with up to 7 inches of rain. **Leo** continued to report that there are more classes in school in America; in Belgium there are lots more exams. He is starting rugby and cross country skiing. He is getting good grades. **Chris Parr-Feldman** introduced her guest, **Lisa Byrd**.

Our program was done by **Anne Abrams** and **Bill Fisher**, and photos were done by **Anne Abrams**. Our set-up and cashing was done by **Tarina Hall**. Our raffle tickets were sold by **Ginny Pitts**.

Announcements and such...

Harry Rubins was recognized for returning from Sri Lanka, only to turn around to go to Cancun. His friend **Ann** had the miles to use from her Visa. **Harry** is also selling raffle tickets for the February 12th crab feed. These are a great tax deduction. Member **Bob Zeni** added that 282 tickets are in distribution, with 118 left. He suggested handing out flyers for requests for donations when out and about, and out of town. **Kris Lapore** credited **Casey Williams** for producing the flyers.



Harry



Bob



Kris

Kris Lapore reminded us to cherish loved ones this holiday season, as he and his wife just lost a friend to an accident while driving back from dinner in Jenner. His reminder was appreciated by each of us.

President Bill reminded us next week is "dark," and that on January 3, 2011, we would vote on the By-Laws and Standard Operating Procedures.

Other dates to note:

January 27, 2011: The Healdsburg Sunrise Club is sponsoring the SCARC Party with a Cajun theme. It is \$45.00 and the flyer is on the District's website.

February 15, 2011: A group of 40 is leaving for India for Polio Immunization Day.

April 2, 2011: the District Assembly weekend in Ukiah. This is being coordinated by our new District Governor Nominee, **Maureen Merrill**.

Recognition:

President Bill also recognized **Chris Parr-Feldman** for excellent artistry in her doodling at the recent board meeting. Her art was properly displayed for all to see, on drawing paper she accepted with pride. This cost her \$25.00.



Artiste Chris



Happy Birthday John!

A moment of cheer...**John Palmer** has celebrated his 89th birthday, is in good health, and grateful for his good life in Santa Rosa. Fined \$25.00.

Raffle:

Although member **Ken Prouty** drew the number to win our \$700.00 marble, he didn't win. **David McDonald** won the wine.



David



Santa Rosa High School Choir

Program: Santa Rosa High School Choir

We then were delightfully serenaded by the Santa Rosa High School Choir with a wonderful medley of holiday songs.

President Bill then dismissed the meeting.

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