

The Spokes – January 17, 2018

A ring of the Bell quieted those assembled and we were off once again. Trina Lavigna was selected to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. She was followed by Joan Capurro who shared our Inspirational Thoughts for the Day. Our lunch today started with a Caesar salad. It was followed by a main course of tilapia fresco with sides of pasta and vegetables. Nick Kerry introduced our Visiting Rotarian:

Don DeLong

San Rafael

Senior

We had several guests with us today. Tom Keating hosted his law partner Neil Moran who is a former San Rafael Rotarian. Joan Capurro hosted her friend Ione.

We had no birthdays, anniversaries, or club admissions to recognize today. It was, however, the birthday today of our loyal waiter, Jorge. We joined in a hearty rendition of Happy Birthday to honor his special day.

We began with a review of recent developments on the Crab Feed front. Five families have been contacted that are perfect candidates for assistance. We have received several cash donations from various individuals and businesses. Jan Wahl has been retained to lead our auction. There will also be opportunities for attendees to make cash donations, particularly if they are unsuccessful in the silent and live auctions. Credit cards will be accepted as in the past, only this year we will be using square card readers.

We will be dark the Wednesday before the Crab Feed on February 7 as we prepare for the big day. Our February 14 meeting will be our annual Valentine's Day lunch so be sure to invite your special someone. We also discussed the need to find a new website provider as our current service will be shut down on Jan. 31. The Board members present voted to replace our current provider with a new one.

Next up was Happy Times. Jon Marchant recently received his sons' report cards which indicated an increase in GPA from 2.8 to 3.5. Joan Carlson missed us as she went to visit her 89-year old mother. Her children are also back to school and work after a great Christmas. Joan Capurro attended a meeting this morning with the Marin City Development Group. She will be having a representative of the group speak to us at a future meeting about the redevelopment of Marin City. Rozan Donals told us that her son went to the doctor today and discovered the reality of copays and insurance deductibles.

Joan Capurro spoke to us today about her recent appointment to the Independent Journal editorial board. As the community-at-large member, Joan provides input as to the editorial positions taken by the paper using her long-time experience in Marin County community affairs.

#### UPCOMING DATES

Feb. 7 – Dark – No meeting

Feb. 10 – Annual Crab Feed

Feb. 14 – Annual Valentine's Day lunch

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## MEETING PLACES AND TIMES

Central Marin	Mon 12:00 PM	Left Bank, Larkspur
San Rafael	Mon 12:15 PM	Marin Yacht Club, San Rafael
Novato Sunrise	Tues 7:15 AM	Moylans Brewery, Novato
San Rafael Harbor	Tues 8:00 AM	Whistlestop, San Rafael
Mill Valley	Tues 12:15 PM	Mill Valley Golf Club, M V
Terra Linda	Tues 12:15 PM	4 Points Sheraton, San Rafael
Marin Evening	Tues 6:30 PM	The Club at McGinnis Pk, SR
Marin Sunrise	Wed 7:15 AM	Best Western, Corte Madera
West Marin	Wed 8:00 AM	Comm Bldg Pt Reyes Stat
Tiburon-Belvedere	Wed 12:15 PM	San Fran Yacht Club, Belve
Sausalito	Thurs 12:15 PM	Sausalito Yacht Club, Saus.
Mission San Rafael	Thurs 12:15 PM	San Rafael Joe's, San Rafael
Ignacio	Thurs 12:15 PM	Inn Marin, Novato
Tiburon Sunset	Thurs 6:30 PM	San Fran Yacht Club, Belve
Novato	Friday 12:15 PM	Margaret Todd Sr Ctr, Novato
San Rafael Evening	Thurs 7:00 PM	New George's, San Rafael

Rotary Means Business meets the First Monday of the month at West End Café on Fourth Street in San Rafael at 5 pm