

The Spokes – August 2, 2017

A hearty clang to the Bell helped quiet the crowd as President Terry began our meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Don DeLong. Ken Franceschi followed with our Inspirational Thoughts for the Day. Our lunch today began with a romaine lettuce salad with bleu cheese. The main course was chicken marsala with a side of pasta. Nick Kerry introduced our two Visiting Rotarians:

Don DeLong	San Rafael	Senior
Yorg Perwestersheider	Novato	Engineer-retired

We had one guest with us today. Terry hosted her grandson Christopher Joseph (CJ) who is from Villanova, Pa. and is one of her ten grandchildren.

Sandy Jones had two announcements for us. Sue Barstow had surgery yesterday and is doing well although she also broke two bones in her ankle in addition to her femur. She is in good spirits. Sandy also reminded us that the Rotary Day at the Races is coming up on August 27 at Golden Gate Fields. The \$ 51 admission includes valet parking, a prime rib buffet lunch, a program and of course, the races. Let Sandy know if you can attend.

Rozan paid the first tribute for the day. She is happy to see Kramer Herzog but said he owed a penalty as he was responsible for closing the door on her as she entered the restaurant today. She claims she was shattered but paid anyway. John Smith was up next with an update on the return of our favorite Trojan, Bill Taylor. He was late in returning from the Arete trip as he spent 20 days in a Zurich hospital after contracting an infection during the journey. He is back for a tribute to be held for him on Saturday, August 12 at the Sleepy Hollow Clubhouse at 5:30pm. An email will be sent to all members with details on how to sign up. Joan Capurro was up next with a payment for her sister's visit next week. Kramer can hardly wait. Stan Hook challenged Don Collins to match his car salesman story. His assistant was on a test drive with her daughter when a call came in from her son saying, "grandma died". Needless to say, the test drive was quickly over. Don told his story next. He was with his son visiting colleges in the Portland area. He saw a used car lot with the sign "Fairly Honest Don's used cars". Joan Carlson paid for her birthday which was on this very day. The club celebrated with a rousing chorus of Happy Birthday in honor of the occasion. We had a surprise visit, courtesy of Rozan Donals, by Elisabeth Setten, Executive Director of San Rafael Art Works Downtown. She informed us that San Rafael applied for and was designated a Cultural Arts District. Jon Marchant reported that he will soon be presenting a program on his trip to Cuba. In the meantime, he auctioned off a cigar from his trip, on behalf of the club, which was won by the birthday girl, Joan.

Our speaker today was Doug Moore who is soon to publish a book on his experiences in the US Navy. He shared a few stories that will be included in the book, all of which were very entertaining.

UPCOMING DATES

August 7 – De-Lovely, Lark Theater 7pm

August 21 – Rotary Board meeting

August 27 – Celebrating 30 years of Women in Rotary

August 27 – Day at the Races.
 August 30 – Dark, No lunch.
 Sept. 10 – Fairfax Car Show

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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