

The Spokes – September 6, 2017

A lively post-Labor Day crowd took no heed of the Beckoning of the Bell as first rung by President Terry. It took a loud second strike to quiet things down. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joan Capurro. Jon Marchant followed with our Inspirational Thoughts for the Day. Our lunch today began with a Caesar salad and was followed by salmon with a side of pasta. A returning Nick Kerry introduced our Visiting Rotarian:

Don DeLong

San Rafael

Senior

We were guestless today.

President Terry gave us a brief review of the Race Day at Golden Gate Fields. One of the races that day was named for our club. However, no club members had a winning ticket for this race. Terry announced that the Marin Suicide Prevention Hotline has volunteer opportunities. If interested, see Terry for further details. The club roster is also being updated this year. Be sure to review your information for accuracy.

Jon Marchant paid the first tribute of the day for a recent birthday. Despite no warning call, he fessed up to a 65-year birthday on Thursday. He is looking forward to lower medical insurance premiums, thanks to Medicare. However, they will be partially offset by his sons' automobile insurance premiums. He contributed a Bellringer to celebrate the occasion. Nick Kerry was next to pay for his return from 11 days in Ireland. He is happy that he did not die driving on the left with a right-hand drive car. Joan Capurro has returned from a trip to the acupuncturist. She feels the best she has in the last ten years. Don Collins recognized the passing of long-time club member Bernie Faibish. He had the smallest obituary in the paper but was a real nice guy. Doug Moore paid for the previous week's USC football game. The Trojans had an extra point snapped by a player who is totally blind for which he was honored as Special Teams Player of the Week for the Pac12.

The Fairfax Car Show is this Sunday starting at 9. Helpers are needed between 7 and 8 and throughout the day. Jon Marchant will be manning the popcorn booth. It is time once again for the District 5150 Foundation Raffle. Our chairman, John Smith, passed out the raffle tickets. As in prior years, each member should purchase or sell 10 of the \$20 tickets. Prizes include a grand prize of \$2000 plus many VISA cash cards for smaller amounts. Please return the completed tickets and checks to John by October 11.

Our speaker today was Amy Bon who founded the Guatemala Book Project. Amy adopted a Guatemalan child who led her to spend time in the country and recognize the need for books for students in this poor country. She organizes periodic shipments of books and school supplies to her child's village. More information can be found at www.guatemalabookproject.org.

UPCOMING DATES

Sept. 10 – Fairfax Car Show

Sept. 13 – Melissa Prandi, Prandi Property Management

Sept. 20 – Dave Donery, San Anselmo Town Manager

Sept. 27 – Lauren Vuong, Leaving Vietnam

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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