

Events

January 2015 01/22 - 4th of July Parade Planning and Development Meeting February 2015 02/03 The Table 02/04 - Board Meeting

Upcoming Speakers

1-22-15

Youth Group, Roots and Shoots Napa Valley, *South America Expedition*

1/29/15

Jim Carriere, Shelter Box presentation & demonstration

2/5/15

Leonard Vare, Director of Corrections, *Napa*County Dept of Corrections
2/12/15

Mary Butler, Chief Probation Officer, *Napa County Probation Department* 2/19/15

Brad Baker, Investigator, Napa County DA's office, *Human Trafficking*

Bryan Sardock, Deputy Sheriff, Napa County Sheriff's Office, *Napa Valley Search and Rescue*

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Happy Birthday!

Brian Doughty January 16 Mike Basavne January 19 Rocky Loftus January 21 Alfredo Pedroza January 21 William Jabin January 25 Michael Ledwich January 26 James Collins January 31 Charles Knechtel February 02 Conor Massey

February 03

February 04

Clifford C. Kunkel

January 15, 2015

Submitted by Charlie Bogue

Welcome: President Mark welcomed a full house of Sunrise Rotarians to the Vintners Court at the Silverado Resort. A New Year buzz filled the room to President's later comment that it was "the best turnout of the year".

Pledge & Thought: Doris "yoo hoo" Gentry calmed the vocal group long enough for the pledge to the flag and a thought for the day from Kobe Bryant. A quote in response to coach Mike Rice antics, that it was not that he did not understand. It was "I don't want to understand".

Song: Appropriate to not a vacant chair in the room, Tom Feutz directed the Sunrise Rotarian Choir in a single verse of "Hail, Hail The Gangs All Here", providing an aerobic workout for half the attendees.

Visiting Rotarians: The visiting Rotarian was none other than our own Gene Waken in town from Arizona.

Guests of Rotarians: Mark Luce introduced his wife Kathy, Rob Hampton introduced his wife Claudia, Brian Kelley introduced Derek Anderson and President Mark introduced Napa High Interact leaders Maddie Mott and Stella Anderson.

Announcements: Barry Thompson reported that the Holiday Bell Ringing at Trader Joes produced \$3,600 for the Salvation Army. Sunrise Rotary provided 80 hours of human ringing in this 21st year of our participation in the program and thanks was extended to all who participated.......David Dell reported that the Dictionary Project for 2014 was a grand success. He thanked all who participated and asked that you bring any leftover books to his office at Coombs and Dunlap.....Doris Gentry awakened the group to the 4th of July Parade which will be held on the 4th of July. The committee is looking for community submissions for the Grand Marshall, if you have an idea, and also noted that there will be a Parade meeting after our January 22d breakfast meeting......Peter Mott brought to the podium that our club consider a new program called "Home Team". Picked up from his visits to San Rafael Rotary, that group goes every several months to selected senior's homes in the community to provide simple household repairs. The idea will be further explored and Peter will obtain details on how it functions...and during announcements President Mark disclosed that he was at one time aKiwanian to which there were crowd cries for impeachment. The cries were immediately withdrawn when he offered voluntarily to tender his resignation.

Student of the Month: Brandon Trejo from Valley Oak



Maria Cisneros, Principal of Valley Oak, commented in introduction that Brandon was selected because he "faces challenges every day" and has turned his academic life around. Brandon told the group how he fell behind in his school work when he opted for home study while he was traveling as a competitive boxer overseas. He said home school was a "perfect idea that turned to perfect

February 04
Michael Alan Murray
February 05
Jason Dominici
February 06
Jose Rossi
February 06

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disaster". Since attending Valley Oak, which he calls his second home, he has improved his grades and is looking forward to graduation. He plans to go on to college and qualify for the Olympic Team in Boxing. He graciously recognized his father and thanked Sunrise Rotary for the award. His sponsor, Alfredo Pedroza, provided him with his certifications and cash

contribution to his future success.

Junior Achievement Report: Tom Feutz and Denny Mosher

Tom gave an overview of the program, and on a raise of hands it seemed more than half the room had participated at one time or another. Now serving K through High School the grammar school needs for Junior Achievement are now being met one school at a time instead of the past practice of signing up for all schools at once. Tom pointed out that the commitment is 1 hour of class time per week for 5 weeks with a small amount of time to prepare for each class. There is no creativity required as the materials are provided and outlined in each kit. The Napa Unified School District has asked for more informative classes on management of personal finances and JA is taking on that challenge. Denny spoke to expanding this opportunity and the need for more club members participating in the coming year. Signup sheets were at the tables or contact Tom or Denny.

Happy Dollars: Happy Dollars opened with Joe Fischer \$100 happy to The Club for surviving a lingering case of flu, to be back at Rotary, for Brian's jewelry making his wife happy and Napa on Ice where the family all had fun before heading to the Queen (of the Valley, not Dairy)......proud father Pete Mott asked daughter Maddie to stand and announced her acceptance to Brown University in the fall. She will be throwing the hammer there for track and field. Giving \$100 to The Club, it was suggested he may want to save that for tuition.......\$25 happy to the Napa High A Capella Group was Howard Haupt for his granddaughter being accepted as a Rotarian exchange student to Spain and giving he and grandma a reason to visit.....flailing duck Joe Peatman Junior was glad to be back after going to cold Texas and watching his school's losing effort for the National Championship. Apparently he has had a better time shooting ducks than cheering for them......the wounds were somewhat soothed by Craig Struble, decked in his bright red Ohio State garb, who gave \$50 for wherever Joe wanted it to go as Craig enjoyed his moment of Buckeye victory.....and closing in a sad moment, President Mark asked all to think good thoughts for Mike Chramko who is in the Queen with some medical challenges.

Morning Program: Rob and Claudia Hampton * Malawi Dental Project

Introduced by Al Bahn, our own Rob Hampton and his charming wife Claudia gave a moving update on their recent trip and the needs for the Malawi Dental Project. With their plan to take their presentation to other Rotary Clubs, the overall goal is to raise \$12,000 for a 4.5 day program to teach nurses how to train other nurses in dental hygiene and minor practice. The



money will go for dental supplies, transportation, room and board and



collateral materials needed for the training program.

Described as their "purpose and passion", Rob and Claudia have been to visit alone and together to offer aid and support to these people who have nothing or "no thing" in Claudia's narrative on how desperate their general life condition is. Some facts that they noted in their presentation:

- There are over 1,000,000 orphans because of parents lost to AIDS
- There are 22 western trained dentists and 22 technicians in the country
- There is 1 dentist for every 62,000
- 85% of the population is in rural villages without work
- Children attend school because that is where they get 1 meal per day
- The primary meal source of ground white corn has no nutrition

With detailed color photographs Rob and Claudia gave a personal narrative of the hardships these people face in their daily lives and the minimal living conditions they manage to create for themselves. Claudia learned in past efforts with the United Nations how to cook with solar which eliminated the need for wood and eliminated the contamination caused by smoke. Claudia retold how she was called to a rural village where they had nothing. When asked to speak to the village she brought the children to the front and said here is your future. Speaking to the chief she suggested they create a school and plant a community garden to create better food sources. She returned later to see her hopes had been realized with the construction of a primitive school and a garden full of nutritious vegetables.

They told of the construction of a hospital and visitor home that was funded by \$40 million from a Korean business person who wanted to help. Short of staff, family members are responsible for feeding and clothing the patients as there is no funding beyond the basic medical supplies and equipment. Articulating their commitment and passion, through slides and personal narrative, Rob and Claudia gave a compelling story that calls Rotary and individuals to the cause. They closed with three things you can do to help the cause and the training program. One is to join them on work trips to the site, the second is to give to the Health Roots Foundation, the third is to buy Rob's fantastic art works as all proceeds go to the project and the fourth is to donate directly to the project's program goal of \$12,000 so nurses can train nurses and the ripple of good can spread.

Only learning of Malawi from Rob's efforts and going to the web for additional information it was revealed that just this week the country has been subject to flash flooding causing 176 dead and 110,000 homeless. Go on line to view this tragic story of people already on the brink of poverty and disease. We can only wish them well and support the long term efforts of Rob and Claudia's passion.

Concluding Breakfast: President Mark thanked Rob and Claudia for their presentation and sent everyone out for a great week and New Year.

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