# Our Program For April 27th:

# Project Amigo

IMPROVING LIVES PLUS PRACTICAL SKILLS EQUALS REALIZED DREAMS FOR A BETTER FUTURE

Flamingo Resort Hotel, Wednesday, 12:00 noon



More than a quarter century ago, while on vacation in Mexico, Ted Rose stumbled into a small village and a children's home for underprivileged kids. That unplanned visit turned out to be a life-changing event. A few years later, Ted and his wife Susan sold their California business and moved to that small Mexican village named Colima to devote full time to helping disadvantaged children to improve their lives through learned practical skills and by developing their dreams for a better future.

Project Amigo now provides educational incentive programs and scholarships for higher education for over 300 disadvantaged children each year. Thanks to other volunteers, Project Amigo also offers dental, auditory and vision care. Ted and Susan are major Rotary Foundation donors, both past club presidents, and currently members of the Rotary Club of Colima.

# www.santarosarotary.com

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS....**

May 4, 2011: Sonoma County Supervisor Mike McGuire May 11, 2011: Accountants' Panel of Rotary CPAs May 18, 2011: "Finding Pete" with Jill Hunting

## **CHECK OUT THESE LINKS**

Visit our website at <a href="www.santarosarotary.com">www.santarosarotary.com</a>
Visit <a href="Rotary International">Rotary International</a>
Visit <a href="Otsuchi">Otsuchi</a>, Japan Recovery Site
Help out at <a href="http://www.shelterboxusa.org/">http://www.shelterboxusa.org/</a>

### WEBSITE TIP OF THE WEEK

Submit your information for the new dynamic online member directory. Instructions were handed out at the April 13th meeting and emailed that evening. If you need assistance with your submission: contact Jack Abercrombie.

*Editor's note:* I wasn't at the meeting, but will attempt to be the first bulletin reporter to report on a meeting he didn't attend! That's ok, because I have experience in school writing book reports on books I didn't read;)

### **OPENING CEREMONIES**

**Dan Schell** led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to these United States of America. The invocation was led by esteemed **Ray Foreaker**. After that, it is reported that a number of lame jokes were told by Dan and **Robby Fouts**. We expect them from Robby, but not from **Mr. Schell**. **Michael Sinatra** was the secret greeter and appropriately, **Steve Olson** was the happy recipient of the free lunch for getting down and shaking with Michael.

# AIN'T NO SUNSHINE WHEN SHE'S GONE.....

**Eileen Carlisle** was not on hand to give us any bad health news on members today, so we are left to assume that all is sunny!

## **VISITING ROTARIANS**

Visiting our club today: Psychiatrist Dr. Shari Samsavari, and wealth management expert Stevenson Atherton.

# **GUESTS OF ROTARIANS**

Karen Ball was a guest of **Deborah Gray. Red Badger Juan Hernandez** introduced the club to his wife Cindy Hernandez.

## **NEW ONLINE DIRECTORY**



# Online Membership Directory Submission Form Instructions

- 1. Go to the club's website at www.santarosarotary.com.
- 2. Go to the "Members-Only" page. Sign on with the password "sr1921".

- 3. Click on the "New Member Directory Profile Insert" link. A login form will appear. Enter the username "rotary" and the password "sr1921" and submit.
- 4. The directory enrollment form will appear. Complete the form. Please note that some of the fields have validation for the proper format and some fields are required. Some of the fields are optional. Once you have completed the form click on the submit button at the bottom of the form. If nothing happens, scroll up the form to see if there were any fields showing validation errors and fix them. Once the form is successfully submitted you will see a success page appear that will include instructions for submitting your photo.

Photo submission: We want photos to have a width of 175px and height of 225px (or a similar aspect ratio) with a maximum size of 100KB. The preferred file format is JPEG. If you have a photo that is not in this format or size, just send over what you have we can reformat it for you. Email the photo to Jack Abercrombie at jackabercrombie@sbcglobal.net.

Thanks in advance for submitting your information using the online form as this will save our Rotary staff the requirement for typing.

Please protect all passwords as they are for our Rotary members only. Thanks!

## LUCKY MARBLE TIME!!!!!!!!



Knowing that Tracy Nielsen was at the meeting, Blaine Goodwin holds tight to his winnings! Robby Fouts robbed the kitty last week, so not much to be excited about at this week's drawing, however in his inimitable style, Robby donated all of his winnings back to the club. Blaine Goodwin won this week's raffle on the first try, for a \$42 payout.

# ROOKIE REPORT (Hey, it's baseball season!)

**Dan Schurter** was inducted today as a new member of our club. Dan was introduced by the lovely and talented past president, **Debi Zaft**. Dan did well in the minors and we thought we'd bring him up to the big club for a cup of coffee.

# FINES, RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**President Don** began the recognition portion of the meeting by fining **Bill Rousseau** for looking like Alfred E.

Newman or something at Cardinal Newman High School. Actually, he was recognized for his 13 years of service as an Interact advisor at CNHS. The fine was \$50 plus five more for not wearing a Rotary pin at CN's fundraiser when his honor was announced. Don then penalized



President Don honors Bill Rousseau, then fines him!

everyone not wearing a pin at the meeting a buck each. If \$31 were collected, how many Rotarians were not wearing their pin? Do the math!

**Sonaya Stevens** announced that need for prizes for the July 9th Casino Royale night. **Yale Abrams** indicated a pressing need for sponsors for the Casino Royale night. he placed a schedule for differing levels of sponsorship on each table.

Wayne Rowlands repeated the need for all club members to go onto the website and enter your information into the new member online directory.

### Rick Allen was

recognized for his recent trip to Turkey and Israel. He donated an unknown amount to the club (it was either \$100 or \$1,000,000, not sure).

Ed Anderson recognized Rich de Lambert for being president when Ed was inducted back in the Mesozoic Era when dinosaurs ruled the earth and Rotary was just



Rick Allen donates a large amount (maybe).

a place to hide to keep from being eaten. **President Don** recognized Ed for being caught wearing a white suit in some publicity photo, and Mr. Anderson donated \$100 for the Mexican Children's Orchestra visit. **Past President (1987-99) de Lambert** donated \$100 toward his fifth Paul Harris Fellowship.

Our esteemed president then reminded the membership of two upcoming \$100 events the weekend of June 11-12:

At the Green Music Center on Saturday, June 11th, and at the big barbeque and party at Keller Winery on Sunday, June 12th. The first 40 Rotarians buying tickets will be invited to a free reception for the Guadalajara Rotarians on the preceding Thursday night, June 9th, at the Sheraton Sonoma County, in Petaluma.

President Don announced that the Esentepe Rotary Club of Istanbul is offering a Time Travelers' Camp, a unique program that shares Istanbul's seven centuries of history with Rotarians and friends from all around the world in Istanbul this summer, based on the 2010-11 theme of building communities and bridging continents, in late June and early July, a week full of history, culture, and palace cuisine cooking classes. For more information, visit the Events page of our website and contact Jim Johnson, Club Historian and Resident Turkey Expert at 571-0226 or jim@jimjohnsonassociates.info.

Steve Olson and Sam McMillan brought stuffed animals (mostly bears) back from Eureka where they went for some unknown reason. Steve donated a bottle of Shone Farms wine and it was won in a 2nd raffle drawing by Genie Delles.



Steve Olson watches as President Don cuddles the Eureka bears

**Gary Vice** donated two Giants-Rockies tickets that visiting Rotarian **Dr. Shari** bought for \$100.

**Gesini Franchetti** donated a stuffed animal she found in her garage whilst doing her spring cleaning.

**Sonaya Stevens** and **Yale Abrams** made announcements about the Casino Royale fundraiser and **Genie Delles** came up big, announcing that she would be a ticket sponsor for \$500.

### FELLOWSHIP APRIL 27TH

Raffle: Tracy Nielsen
Visit Rotarians: Juan Hernandez
Ticket Collection: Ginny Cannon
Greeters: Eddy Erslovas & Janice Diez

### **ROTARIAN MAGAZINE**

After that lame happy birthday song was sung to **Debi Zaft**, she made like a southern preacher and exhorted the "congregation" to read this month's Rotarian Magazine. She asked all members who have read the



Debi Zaft seeks well read Rotarians for a drawing

magazine this month to stand, which qualified them for a drawing next month.

### **PROGRAM**

Stephanie Thompson is the dean of Agriculture and Natural Resources at SRJC. She has been a professor there for almost 20 years and is set to retire this June. Her talk today is on the project she hopes will continue to grow stronger

Stephanie Thompson, Dean of Agriculture and Natural Sciences at SRJC

**ROTARIAN QUIZ** 

What disease can kill you in four hours?

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and better even after she retires, the Shone Farm.

Almost 400 acres in West Sonoma was deeded to the SRJC in the early 70's with the condition it be used for educational purposes. Another example of the government just handing out pork? How much would this

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gorgeous tract of land be worth today? Well, however you choose to view it, it now exists as a tremendous benefit to any Sonoma County student wishing to learn more about farming, equine sciences, winery operations, cattle, and other agricultural pursuits.

SRJC students get hands-on experience tending to flocks of sheep, herds of cattle or rows of vineyards. They learn bottling processes, horse tending, or how to care for chickens. All of which benefits everyone in Sonoma County indirectly as this expertise goes on to supply the local ag community with quality and qualified help.

Where is Shone Farm headed in this next decade? Only time will tell. But it is a jewel in the crown of one of our most proud local resources, the SRJC.



Vickie Hardcastle is the happy winner of the Shone Farm wine raffle

This week's photographer:

Nicole Le

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