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Our Program For August 31st:

SUTTER HOSPITAL

Preview Santa Rosa's New Five-Star Medical Center

Flamingo Resort Hotel, Wednesday, 12:00 noon



Artist's rendering of the new Sutter Hospital

Construction is underway on Sutter Medical Center's new \$284 million dollar state-of-the-art hospital. After years of planning, design and public hearings, the new hospital will open in 2014 at the Mark West Springs Road exit of U.S. 101, next to the Wells Fargo Center for the Arts. Next Wednesday, your Rotary Club offers you and your guests a virtual video tour of the first 21st Century hospital in northern California.

Our tour guide will be the chief administrative officer of Sutter Santa Rosa, Mike Purvis, who oversees development of the totally new Sutter Medical Center campus. The new hospital will be exceptionally unique with single occupancy suites, invasive cardiac surgery, obstetrics, a full range of women's reproductive health services, nursery care, level III neo-natal intensive care, and the award-winning care and services currently provided at the Chanate Campus including intensive care, emergency services, medical and surgical services, and supporting ancillary services.

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS....

Sept. 7, 2011: The Wine Country Baseball LeagueSept. 14, 2011: Assemblyman Jared Huffman

Sept. 21, 2011: Our Club's Local FoundationSept. 28, 2011: Brian Sobel on California's Budget Crisis

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Explore the New Sutter Hospital

OPENING CEREMONIES

Either **President Marnie** had the wrong week's schedule or the absent volunteers forgot it was Wednesday. Has **Stephan Passalacqua** always been a Boy Scout? He was prepared and led us in the "Pledge of Allegiance", as he phrased it, "to the Flag of the United States of America." But no one is better prepared for appropriate words than the Headmaster of a private Catholic high school. **Mike Truesdell** eagerly charged to the podium and quoted Cardinal Newman's stirring words. Verbatim. Without notes. Good work, guys. "Always Prepared".

VISITING ROTARIANS

Two St. Helena Rotarians, professor of philanthropy Ima Holcomb, and wealth manager Stevenson Atherton; plus a familiar rug merchant, Red Badger Arnie Carston from the West Rotary Club of Santa Rosa.

GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

Guests
of Larry
Milano
and Kristin
Fladseth—
Mark, Lori,
Debbie
and Doug
Fladseth,
plus Larry's
spouse, Mary,
and Gerry



Cecil Humes and his lovely wife Gerry

Humes, wife and chauffeur of our club's treasurer **Cecil Humes,** who is unable to drive (check the Sunshine Report next). Plus **Red Badger Nancy Shepherd's** guest, husband, and soon-to-be Rotarian, Jerry Shimp.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Suzanne Drace gave a partly-cloudy report: First was the news that Sunshine Committee Chair **Jennifer Peschken** herself was missing in

action, injured that same Wednesday morning in a serious automobile accident that totaled her car. She has been released from the hospital and is recovering at home. Thanks to the miracles of modern surgery, **Cecil Humes'** rotator cuff has been repaired but his left shoulder and arm are immobilized for several weeks. The bright news comes from our veteran Sunshine Reporter, **Eileen Carlisle**, who has been wheelchair-bound since her shattered ankle was repaired by surgery earlier this summer. Her new crutches have replaced her old wheelchair in preparation for her volunteer duties as **Past President Debi Zaft's** co-chair of our club's Social Committee.

RAFFLE

Gary Bondi handled the proceedings with dignity, in view of the \$44 Jackpot. The lucky

red ticket turned out to belong to **Nancy Shepherd**, who had to walk all the way to the podium to pick up her \$10 consolation prize. Better luck next time, when the cash receipts will have grown to \$60



Nancy Shepherd kindly left money in the pot for next week

or \$75 with only 8 marbles in the velvet bag. Don't you just love those odds?

CAT SCAN FOR AURORA

Club members paused for a moment of sympathy for **Wayne Rowlands**, whose daughter has been searching everywhere these past weeks for her beautiful feline, the now-famous (but still missing) Aurora.

RECOGNITIONS

• The kinder and gentler **President Marnie** was in full view today as her recognitions were truly recognitions! **Suzanne Drace** was the only one actually fined—\$100—because she sold

her ownership in the real estate firm of Pacific Union, now Wine Country Realty.

- Rick Allen and Tony Roehrick were recognized for signing up dozens of volunteers for the World Community Service Committee at last week's Club Assembly. But only Tony was given a 4-Way Test ball marker.
- **Matt Fannin** was invited to share the podium with **President Marnie** and be



Matt Fannin - mistake or a great practical joke?

recognized for his work on behalf of the club's revitalized Sports
Committee, specifically for organizing the two-way bike ride last Saturday.
According to

Matt, it was a huge success...almost. You see, we had a short 24 mile ride and a long 33 ride. Except for the mix-up: Matt put some signs in the wrong place, and the short ride ended up being 3 miles longer than the long ride. Understand? Good job, Matt. In these perilous times, no good deed goes unpunished.

- Matt also took the opportunity to announce that the Sports Committee is also sponsoring a golf outing at Fountaingrove Golf Club on September 10th. Currently, all slots are filled but a waiting list has been started.
- The winners for gathering the most volunteers were **Casey D'Angelo & Diane Moresi's** Literacy Committee (3rd Place), the Social Committee's dynamic duo, **Debi Zaft & Eileen Carlisle** (2nd Place), and **Layne Bowen's** Communications Committee (1st Place).
 Layne's prize was not for topping the poll, but

ROTARY MAGAZINE QUESTION August

What five countries are the most forested, accounting for more than half of the world's forest area?

for sacrificing all of his CD profits—\$881—to benefit Joplin, Missouri's recovery from last spring's fierce tornado. Editor's note (Don't look for



Layne's booth wins 1st prize!

logic or fairness in these awards. Our leader is **President Marnie!**)

AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR KRISTIN FLADSETH

Past President (2002-03) and Chair of Ambassadorial Scholarships Will Haymaker introduced District 5130's recipient of Rotary International's \$26,000 scholarship, Kristin Fladseth, who was proposed by the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa. Quickly firing up her PowerPoint, Kristin sketched her years at Dartmouth University and the international extracurricular activities that changed her life's path, helping others internationally.

Her Rotary Academic Scholarship will allow her to spend the next 12 months earning her



Ambassadorial Scholar Kristin Fladseth

Master's
Degree at
the London
School of
Hygiene
and Tropical
Medicine.
Kristin
fired up her
PowerPoint,
gathered
us up, and
plunged
headlong

into her last two years with "Girls on the Run", teaching confidence, growth, and the basics of preventative health to pre-teen girls in Barcelona, Spain, where she helped them bridge gaps of different cultures; to the South American country of Peru on a Dartmouth fellowship, where she witnessed a basic obstacle to health & nutrition when all drinking water is polluted. An HIV epidemic in South African and in most undeveloped countries around the world; and her involvement as part of a joint project that bridged the cultural gaps between two nations—Haiti and the Dominican Republic—that share the island of Hispaniola in the Caribbean Sea.

Our young Ambassadorial Scholar's adventures, in so many developing cultures around the world, already exemplify Rotary's motto that has been our goal for more than a hundred years: Service above Self. In a few weeks Kristen's Rotary scholarship will extend her adventures to the University of London's School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine—and beyond—as she begins another whirlwind of involvement to deepen her knowledge and expand her practical experience on a broader scale in her chosen field of preventative health, teaching life's basic lessons to those less fortunate. What a remarkable story this exceptional young woman has to tell. I can't wait to hear the next chapters!

PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

Jerry Shimp Engineer Retired sponsored by Nancy Shepherd

IN ADDITION...



President Marnie practices her wrestling moves while leading the meeting - a true multitasker!



Another view of the new Sutter Hospital

This week's photographer: Kris Anderson

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