



THE MENDOCINO ROTARY VIEW



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Weekly Meeting Highlights

July 1: John Cottle is Chairman of the Day for Program on Haiti

"Haiti looks like a bomb hit it.." ~Jim Fowler



President Guenter Riegler opened the meeting and welcomed many guests: **Kirk O'Day** and **Tom Mitchell** visiting from the Fort Bragg Club; **LaDonna** and **Rick McDonald** from the Kapolei Sunset Club; **Jane Jenab**, M.D, our guest speaker, and her associate **Jeana Caukwall**, R.N.; **Tom Becker**, guest of **Erich Schmid**; **Mary Scott** guest of **Bill Scott**; **Mark Bohannon**, guest of **Wilma Tucker**; and **Sandy Riegler**, guest of **Guenter Riegler**. **President Guenter** read a poem for his first meeting, with the poem considering the value of Rotary.

Frank Engelhardt gave a Foundation moment, presenting **Kathleen Rzeplinski** with her Paul Harris fellow medallion. Frank also reminded everyone that we were in a new year of Every Rotarian Every Year for Foundation contributions.

Lin Scott reported on the upcoming 4th of July barbecue, and quickly found needed coolers, tongs and a cash box from our Rotarians.

Our Chairman of the Day **John Cottle** introduced **Jane Jenab** who narrated a slide presentation about our local Haiti response team from the Mendocino Coast District Hospital. Physicians and nurses volunteered to help provide desperately needed healthcare services, under extremely challenging circumstances, to earthquake



victims in Haiti. In addition to our guests today, other individuals who volunteered were: **Larry Burchett, MD**, **Vivian Daniel, RN**, **Tricia Ferguson, RN**, **Jason Hae-feli, EMT**, **Jennifer Surber, MD**, **Anita West,**

RN, and **Cyndee Wuoltee, RN**. The work was coordinated by "Heart to Heart International" with the Olathe Rotary Club.

The photographs and **Dr. Jenab's** descriptions captured the plight of Haitians, and the need for medical and other relief aid after the 7.0 quake that killed over 300,000, including 60% of the government. The work was hard but rewarding, **Dr. Jenab** reported, and she cannot wait to go back

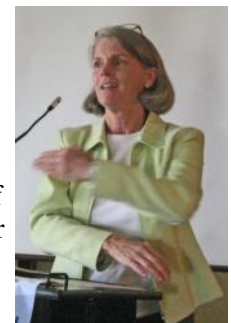
July 8: Bruce Lewis brings information on the 11th Rotaplast Mission to Venezuela

"The goal of Rotaplast International is to eliminate the incidence of untreated cleft lips and palates in children worldwide by the year 2025." ~Rotaplast

President Guenter welcomed club members to the weekly luncheon, and introduced guests: **Jeff Marsee** of the Eureka Rotary, **Dr. Diane Harris** of Fort Bragg Rotary and our guest speaker; **Barbara Rice** guest of **John Cottle**; **Utpal Goswami** and **Giese Ly**, guests of **Jeff Marsee**; **Tom Becker**, guest of **Erich Schmid**; and **Ann Cole** guest of **Susan Weaver**. **Matt O'Halloran** introduced his wife **Dee Ann Crow** who brought him a birthday cake.

Happy dollars flowed plentifully at this meeting, with sunshine outside.

Rich Brandes asked members to sign up for their next luncheon meeting speaker. **Bruce Lewis** provided a membership moment and urged Rotarians to invite people to our luncheons so they may experience Rotary. Announcements were made regarding the upcoming joint Mendocino-Fort Bragg Rotary picnic on the 10th and the planned debunking dinner at the end of July. **Ann Cole**, the Executive Director of Leadership Mendocino <http://www.leadershipmendocino.com/>



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explained how this program is in its 19th year and provides training for people to develop their leadership skills. County wide applications are now available with the application deadline of July 16th.

Bruce Lewis informed us that the San Francisco Club first started Rotaplast, which now is no longer directly affiliated with Rotary. **Dr. Diane Harris** gave us a presentation on a recent Rotaplast trip, where volunteers from the medical community help local medical teams perform the needed surgeries in a variety of ways: sterilization, patient transport, medical records, quartermaster duties, and more. More information on current Rotaplast programs can be found at <http://www.rotaplast.org/>

July 15: Judge William Masterson Discusses the Supreme Court

"Presidents come and go, but the Supreme Court goes on forever." ~William Howard Taft

President Guenter opened the meeting, welcoming members in attendance, and introduced **Tom Becker**, guest of **Erich Schmid**.

Frank Engelhardt gave a Foundation Moment, reporting that we began the new Rotary year on July 1st. Our goal for the Foundation Annual Program Fund for the new year is



\$4,400.00. This breaks down to a suggested donation for each member to about \$110.00. In support of this, "Every Rotarian Every Year" (EREY) is a Rotary Foundation program that asks every Rotarian to contribute at least \$100 per year to the Annual Program Fund. By doing so, members become Foundation Sustaining Members, and their generosity enables Rotarians to work together across the world to find innovative solutions to the improvement of health, the support of education and the alleviation of poverty. Our Polio Plus goal for our Club is the same this year as last: \$2,000.00. We hope that the net from our July 4th BBQ will be enough to allow us to meet this challenge. Individual Rotarians may still donate to Polio Plus. The District raised \$135,109 last year for Polio Plus. Globally, Rotarians have raised \$138 million toward the \$200 million dollar Gates Challenge. Polio cases in the four remaining endemic countries were down to 66

cases year to date in 2010 compared to 472 cases in 2009.

Judge **William Masterson** began an informative program on the Supreme Court, the ultimate court within the judicial arm of our three branches of government—the Executive and the Legislative branches make up the remaining arms of our government.



The Supreme Court consists of the Chief Justice of the United States and such number of Associate Justices as may be fixed by Congress. The number of Associate Justices is currently fixed at eight (28 U. S. C. §1). Power to nominate the Justices is vested in the President of the United States, and appointments are made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Article III, §1, of the Constitution further provides that "[t]he Judges, both of the supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold their Offices during good Behaviour, and shall, at stated Times, receive for their Services, a Compensation, which shall not be diminished during their Continuance in Office." Currently, Elena Kagan has been nominated to the Bench, and confirmation is proceeding in the Senate.



[Many thanks to Ericha Sevy for her note-taking in the Editor's absence]

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July 22: Jody Stickels is Chairman of the Day for a Program on Owls

"When cats run home and light is come, And dew is cold upon the ground, And the far-off stream is dumb, And the whirring sail goes round, And the whirring sail goes round; Alone and warming his five wits, The white owl in the belfry sits ."~Lord Alfred Tennyson

President Guenter welcomed Rotarians to their weekly meeting. He welcomed **Tom Becker**, guest of **Erich Schmid**, and **Michael Stephens**, our guest speaker.

Chairperson of the Day **Jody Stickels** introduced **Michael Stephens**, a wildlife specialist who studies Spotted Owls. Stephens explained that his job as a Spotted Owl specialist requires that he enter forests prior to logging operations, and complete a report for the State regarding the presence of owls.

Stephens provided much information on this nocturnal bird, and answered many questions.

[Many thanks to Ericha Sevy for contributing to this article in the Editor's absence.]

July 29: Dark—no meeting because of debunking dinner.

4th of July Images

Our fundraiser barbecue at the 4th of July was very well attended, with all of the food selling out by the end of the parade! Many people helped take the money and serve food, as well as walk in the parade—thanks go to our Club Members, with special thanks to **Lin Scott** and **Matt O'Halloran** for organizing this important event!



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Joint July Barbecue with the Mendocino and Fort Bragg Rotary Clubs

Thanks to Tom Honer for hosting the joint barbecue on July 10th at his Gordon Lane ranch. A good time was had by all attendees!



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DEBUNKING DINNER

Our debunking dinner was held Thursday evening 29th, and was full of fun, good food and beverages. Outgoing **President Dean Watson** was well roasted, and those attending report a roaring good time! A photospread of the evening will soon be posted on our web page—check out many great images at our online Photo Gallery: <http://www.mendocinorotary.org/photos/>



There were three men on a hill with their watches.

The first man threw his watch down the hill and it broke.

The second man threw his watch down the hill and it broke.

The third man threw his watch down the hill, walked all the way to the bottom, and caught it.

The other two men were puzzled and asked the third man how he did it.

The third man said, "Easy. My watch is 5 minutes slow!"

Something you'd like to see in the newsletter? A photograph you'd like to share? Just email the editor, Susan Warner, at warners9911@cs.com and make your suggestion.

Like the Photographs?

Most of the images are by **Guenter Riegler** or **Paul Selchau**, both of whom deserve a big thank you!

This issue and past issues of the newsletter can be found at <http://www.mendocinorotary.org/newsletters/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 12—Golf Tournament at Little River Inn

October 9—Annual Art Auction at 1:00 p.m., Mendocino Art Center

UPCOMING CLUB ASSIGNMENTS

Date	Greeter	Collection Agent
8/5/2010	Ericha Sevy	Joe Sparks
8/12/2010	Paul Selchau	Jodi Stickels
8/19/2010	Brandt Stickel	Wilma Tucker
8/26/2010	Dean Watson	Susan Warner
9/2/2010	Ray Alarcon	Susan Weaver
9/9/2010	Jaimie Buckner	Rich Brandes
9/16/2010	Ron Eich	Ed Burke
9/23/2010	Ron Ensign	John Cottle
9/30/2010	Bart Grimes	Frank Engelhardt

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