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Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa East
The Crown Jewel of District 5130

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SR East President

Edited by: **Not Your Average Cupid** ❤️



TOM JACKSON

Openings, Many Introductions & New Life Sunshine!

President TOM JACKSON (PTJ) found our only visiting Rotarian in attendance, David McDonald of Santa Rosa West also **KIM McDONALD's** hubby, to lead our flag salute. **JEFF SCHUTT** inspired our **Valentine's Day** theme with a quote from Charles M. Schulz: "All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt". **LARRY LIRA** led us in song: *Let Me Call You Sweetheart*. A bevy of guests of Rotarians today! **PTJ** introduced his beloved wife Leanna. Next **BRIAN REED** introduced his dreamboat wife Alison and also introduced two guests who attended the recent New Member Mixer and referred by **BILL GLASSCOCK** (currently in Hawaii): Matthew Oswald & Connor Farrell. Also present were guests from the Mixer: Mike Stewart & Michael Evans. **JOAN GERMESHAUSEN** welcomed her prince Joe. **JEAN CHIRHART** was accompanied by her charming Mike. **MIKE ROBERTSON** was thrilled to bring his bride Kay. **KEN CARR** shared his lunch with the enchanting Judy. **GEORGE BATCHELDER** was elated to be joined with Laurie. **SUE BISBEE** was aglow in introducing George. **JIM WIESCHENDORFF** introduced another guest from the Mixer Nate Gulbransen. Last but not least on introductions, **ANDY SCHEXNADRE** introduced our guest speaker Maya Khosla. **New Life Sunshine!** Corporate Member **CHRISTY BLAIR** informed the Club that her associate **BANA SOLOMON** gave birth to her **healthy baby boy**, named Kez on January 23rd. 😊

Images from the 2/5/20 Santa Rosa East/West New Member Mixer @ The Epicenter



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Luck o' the Irish

WHAT: SANTA ROSA EAST ROTARY FUNDRAISER
WHEN: Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 5:00pm
WHERE: Friedman Event Center - 4676 Mayette Ave, Santa Rosa



Club Member Assistance Needed!

NANCY HILL wants to get the word out: **Items are needed for our themed Raffle Baskets!** Please donate to the baskets like you did last year! Basket themes were Beer, Beauty, Outings, Gardening, Coffee etc. Already we have a Sports Basket started and **JOE MAURER** is donating (2) Lower Level 2020 SF Giants tickets to a game, that basket needs more Bay Area team gear or other sports stuff! **KIM McDONALD** stressed we still need more sponsors for the **3/21 Luck O' The Irish Fundraiser!** Also, our Club Meeting on Tuesday 3/3 will be Rotary on the Road at this year's beneficiary: The Children's Museum of Sonoma County. See **NANCY HILL** to sign-up up for sandwiches prepared by Biachini's gourmet deli for 3/3. **MARILYN LIRA** has slips that will ensure Thank You's will be sent out to donors of items to our Fundraiser. **RON TAYLOR** is finalizing Live Auction items but needs people to deliver certificates for restaurants for the Dine Around Town item. **JIM WIESCHENDORFF** needs bottles of your best wine to fill the wine case again this year, for holder of the lucky key! **Bring a bottle of a nice wine to next Club Meeting, 12 bottles needed!**



RAFFLE and some post-Oscar commentary and trivia

KEN MOLHOLT-SIEBERT was fortunate to have his raffle ticket drawn, however the \$\$\$ did not follow. Beer for the vintner. The movie South Korean movie *Parasite* won the 2020 best picture, was the first international film to win that award. It was a compelling movie, not a love story, rarely do love stories win best picture. At the first Academy Awards (1929), Janet Gaynor was nominated as Best Actress for three different movies: *7th Heaven*, *Street Angel*, & *Sunrise*. She won for her performances in all 3. This is no longer allowed. Mary Pickford did some of her own driving in what may be the first non-comic automobile chase scene, in a 1912 movie called *A Beast At Bay* her car was being chased by a railroad train and another car. In 1912 it was unusual for a woman even to drive, let alone race along next to railroad tracks.



Today's meeting had a Valentine's theme



PTJ's wife Leanna receives a Paul Harris Award



Notes from the President

PTJ referenced some mis-guided **Thank You's** at our tables from Village School students for dictionaries, these were intended for another Rotary Club! **PTJ** had high praise for the coordinators of the 2/5 New Member Mixer, there were 62 attendees including District Governor Kathy Flamson. More importantly, there were 31 guests, with many who are interested in becoming Rotary members. Special thanks to the coordinators and others who made the event a success: **EMILY RAINSFORD, DON CLIVER, BILL GLASSCOCK, JAN WELCH & JULIE MONTGOMERY**. **PTJ** announced the Santa Rosa East Board last night voted to reallocate funds for last year's main beneficiary our Fundraiser: The Children's Museum of Sonoma County. The \$26K we raised for CM last year will be re-directed & will refurbish the painting glass wall at Ella's studio. Cost to erect planned shade structure for climbing burl went over estimate to \$96K. Lastly **PTJ** stated The Fundraiser is the lifeblood of what we do, please do whatever you can, repeat what you did last year for our **3/21 Luck o' The Irish Fundraiser** to make it a great event that showcases our Club & attracts Club Members.

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JOE MAURER's wife Janet celebrated a February 9th birthday by preparing to have a craft party on Monday February 10th with neighbors & fellow teachers who also had that Monday holiday. **Not Your Average Cupid** was happy for an unexpected half-hour out with coffee and one on one time with Janet and suggested other couples have unexpected rendezvous with their loved ones, it will strengthen your relationship! **NANCY HILL** visited her sister-in-law in Glendale Arizona. They enjoyed the Art Walk in Scottsdale. They visited a famous restaurant called The Montauk in Scottsdale which reminded **NANCY** of her hometown of Montauk, NY on Long Island. **NANCY** brought **PTJ** some samples from a distillery and a do-it-yourself cactus plant. **PTJ** had **\$Happy Dollar\$** for all who coordinated and attended the New Member Mixer. **KEN MOLHOLT-SIEBERT** was happy to recently tackle the vertical slopes on Heavenly Valley. **BRIAN REED** was happy to stand in line with **PTJ** for 8 hours on the opening day of Russian River's sale on Pliny The Younger the triple IPA, released every February. **PTJ's** bride Leanna was very happy that **BRIAN** replaced her in line. 😊

Announcements

JOE MAURER announced that in addition to the Brook Hill School Food Packing the Club performs every school Thursday, to feed 50 needy families, the Brook Hill School Principal will ask if Rotarians can volunteer to help at other school events, like judge a Spelling Bee, etc.? **JOE** will relay these possibilities, with lead time at future Club Meetings. **MARILYN LIRA** promoted the next SCARC meeting, the Cloverdale Crab Feed on Thursday 2/27/20. The cost is \$59 which helps benefit the local Interact Club, see **MARILYN**. Remember a reservation made is a reservation paid!

Today's Speaker:



Poet Maya Khosla

We were treated to wonderful poetry readings, many of her own, by Maya Khosla who is the current Poet Laureate of Sonoma County. Maya's current emphasis is nature writings and she shared some of her prose, which was captivating, and you could emerge yourself in her descriptive writings. My favorite was *An Ode to Fog*. Maya's work takes her to nature often & she shares her devotion to nature with children. To learn more about Maya and her work. [CLICK HERE](#)

Programs coming up at our Santa Rosa East Rotary Tuesday Club Meetings:

February 18th Cindy Paskow, Executive Director of The Living Room

February 25th A 20/30 Club Member will be discussing the 25th Annual BATTLE OF THE BREWS to be held on 4/4/2020

March 3rd Rotary on the Road, Children's Museum, again our Club's Beneficiary for **Luck o' the Irish Fundraiser**