

# Rotary



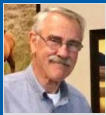
## Club of Southwest Eureka

### Club Meeting

Southwest Eureka  
Meets at Via Zoom  
Teleconferencing  
Members Contact Elan Firpo  
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Time: Friday at 12:30 PM

### Club Leaders



John VanderMolen  
President



Elizabeth Ennis  
President - Elect



Elan Firpo  
Secretary



Vinson Champ  
Treasurer



Cynthia Denbo  
Public Relations  
Chair



Mark McGowan  
Rotary  
Foundation Chair



Scott Pesch  
Membership  
Chair



Rick Roberts  
Sergeant-at-Arms



Haider Ajina  
Lyme Tap Chair

Daniel Brown  
Community  
Service Chair

## Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka Sou'wester February 26 2021

**By:** Larry Goldberg

**Photos by:** Mary Crumley and Larry Goldberg

**Meeting called to order at 12:30 by: President John VanderMolen**



**Pledge and thought for the day by: Lewis Quinby**





Nancy Kay  
Club Service  
Chair



Martin L. Lay  
International  
Service Chair



Meghann M  
Broadstock  
Vocational  
Service Chair



Kenneth S  
Singleton  
iPast President



Mary L. Crumley  
Assistant  
Governor

## Events / Speakers

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## Birthdays

John R. Morrison  
March 15th  
Matthew Nilsen  
March 21st  
Carl Willoughby  
March 31st  
Larry Goldberg  
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**Visitors:** Davin Bowerman



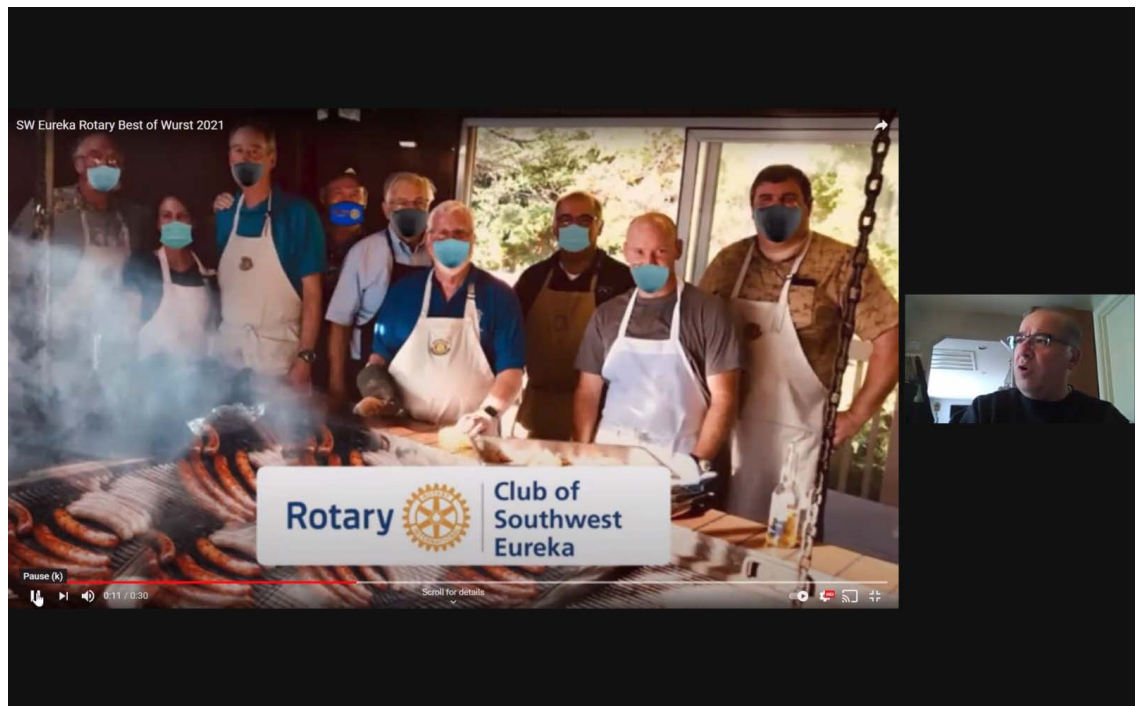
**Rotary Minute:** John VanderMolen ♦ Rotary joke about fundraising. Even this year we ♦ve raised considerable funds for Food for People, Children in Foster Care & Senior Resource Center Senior Meals program. Kudos to Haider, Scott, Mary and others who have taken front roles in fundraising for our club.

## Announcements:

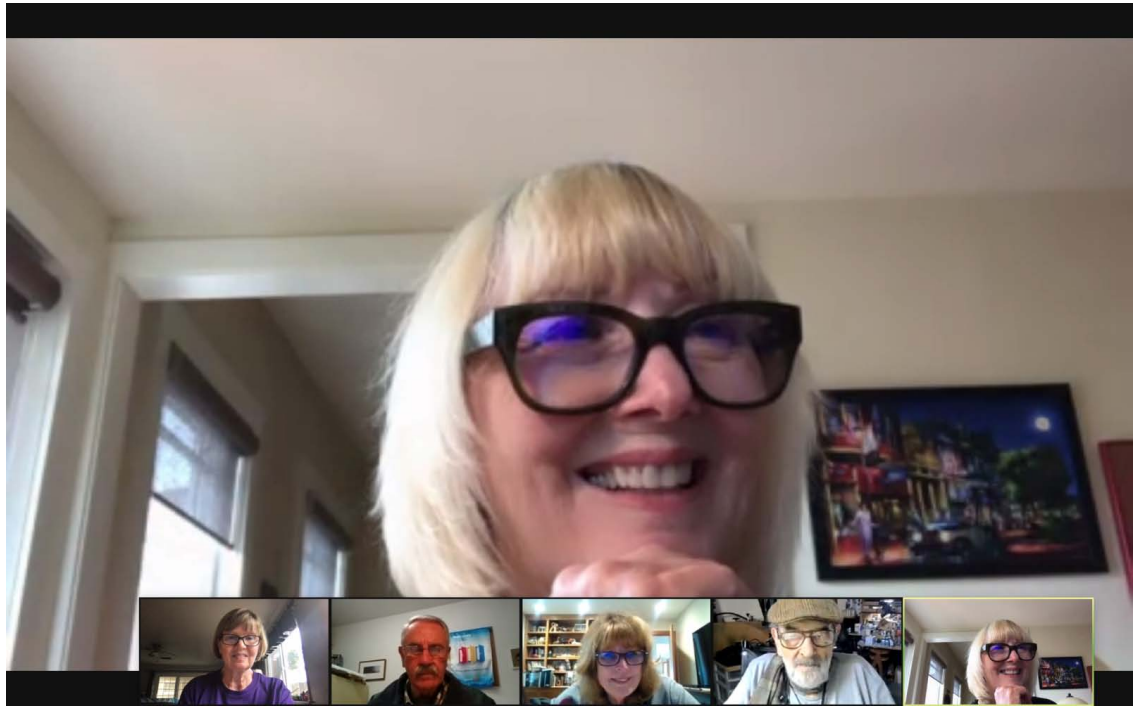


Backpacks for kids: Mike ♦ Great time on Thursday, Scott picked up food, Marie, Ken & Nancy helped pack. Mike made a pitch for others to help in next week ♦s production at Old Growth Cellars.





March 25<sup>th</sup>, Best of the Wurst ♦ Haider ♦ Cindy prepared excellent video for the event for TV rotation. Cindy said it was challenging finding photos for this event, so she morphed photos from fish barbeque with masks on everyone and brats on the grill. Made \$8,000 so far in sponsorships. Email has ticket sale info and sign-up to help link as well.



New Club brochures (Cindy) ♦ updated photos, copy & info. We ♦re ♦unusually good looking ♦ according to Cindy. 500 tri-fold copies printed. We can distribute them to our social network. Cindy will also send it out as a PDF for electronic distribution.

Dictionaries project ♦ Alice Burney school requested dictionary distribution on March 12<sup>th</sup>. Grant school is pending a date for distribution.

#### Recognitions:



Lorna Peterson ♦ anniversary. Kicked off anniversary week by getting Covid vaccine. Anniversary plans include unloading dishwasher, figuring out dinner and starting cocktail hour at 4:30. Pledged to tap-out.

Laura Morris ♦ Birthday on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> ♦ belated Happy Birthday. \$25 in-absentia fine.

#### Program:



**Title** Northcoast State Parks offerings during Pandemic

**Speaker** Ryan Spencer from California State Parks

**Introduced by** Marty Lay

Northcoast State Parks include thousands of acres of redwoods, seashore and wildlands. Humboldt & Del Norte State parks include several parks linked together (Jedidiah Smith, Humboldt Redwoods, Prairie Creek & Humboldt Lagoons parks)

Ryan worked at Del Norte State parks, distance learning on Nature Interpretation, and other jobs associated with State Parks. Preserving natural diversity and provide opportunities for outdoor appreciation. Interpretation is an ♦artful form of Nature appreciation♦ that includes physical objects and personal stories in Nature.

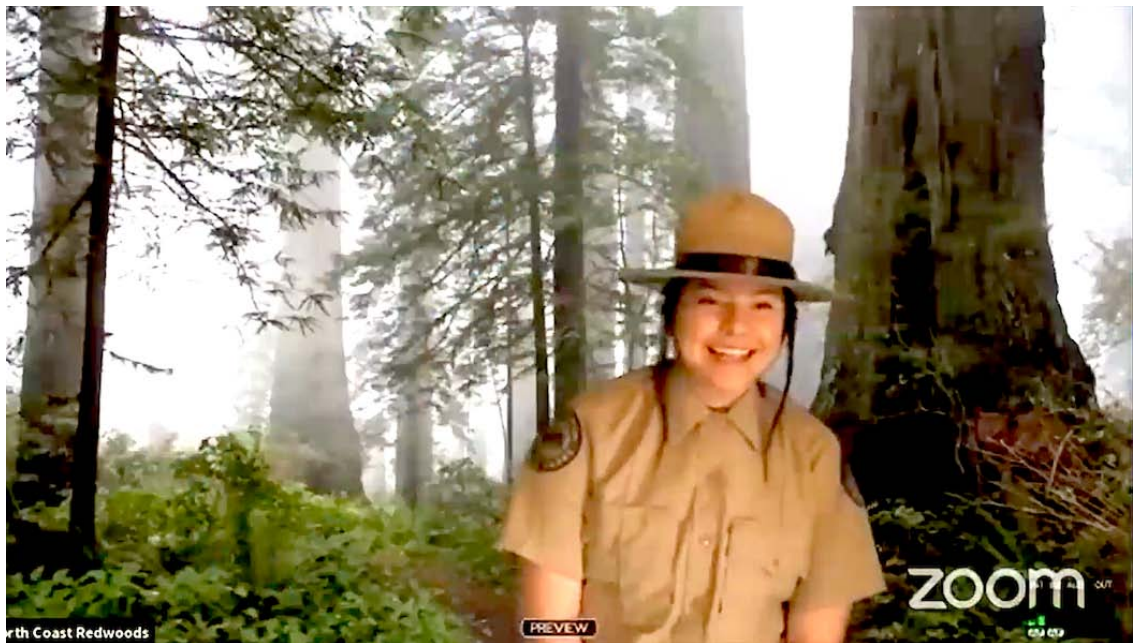
State parks have adapted to Pandemic. New virtual fieldtrip topics include Indigenous culture, Fort Humboldt history, and other topics. Showed an example of a distance learning fieldtrip video with Skip Lowry at the Sumeg Village in Trinidad. Skip is the first Native American interpreter for the Sumeg Village after 30 years of non-native interpreters.

Resilience in the time of Pandemic is a theme for State Parks. By promoting virtual tours, State Parks Facebook page started with 3,000 followers but now has over 11,000! They do Facebook Live events daily. Limited capacity Nature Hikes coming soon.

Expanding who is coming and improving access to parks. Lots of people visit from all over the state. Working to increase accessibility to wide audiences ♦ bilingual interpreter now on board. Building docent program with volunteers as well.

County guidelines will determine if Parks will open this Spring & Summer. Some visitor centers are open now. Hopefully trails and some campgrounds will be open soon. Interpretive programs are dependent on County regs.





**Closing Remarks:** John wishes us all a healthy and safe week until we meet next week.

