

Bulletin 3/12/18 - Giordan from Brazil, our Foreign Exchange Student

by Christine Schieberl - Monday, March 12, 2018

President Chris Parr-Feldman called the meeting to order with a knock of the bell and a reminder that we are the greatest **Rotary Club** ever!

Pledge:

• **Ken Prouty** called on to lead us in the pledge but his son **John** led us in the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Rotary Moment:

• **Susan Nowacki** "If you are lucky enough to be successful, you have the responsibility to give back. We're all intertwined. We're responsible to make the world a better place for one another." **By Lori Greiner**

Visiting Rotarians:

• Our **District Governor Elect Doug Johnson** and **Larry Miyano** from the downtown club and **PP Renee Hyde** from the **Windsor club** visited us today.

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Guests:

• Larry Miyano introduced wife Mary, Bob Zeni introduced Casey Carl and Brian Cox, consulors from Piner High School, Christine introduced her son Zack, Ken Prouty intoduced his son John, Don Johnson introduced Weston and Giordon, our Foreign Exchange Student was here from Brazil.

Rotarian of the Month:

• **President Chris** recognized the person who always steps up to help, promises to make baskets for the crab feed and winds up in charge of the Silent Auction and often writes the bulletin as our own **Susan Nowacki**.



Student of the Month:

• Michelle Ruiz was introduced by Bob Zeni. She is a senior at Piner High and looking forward to graduation on June 1. She has applied to UC Davis and Cal Poly and will major in Biomedical Engineering. She would like to work abroad and use her knowledge of Spanish to help make the world better. She is very grateful her parents has given her the chance to make a better life for herself and others.



Announcements:

• **Zack Schieberl** is our **Rotaractor** who announce that **Rotaract** would like to get involved in an international project. He is also intends on recruiting business leaders to talk to their group to help them better define what they might want to do for a career.



- **Harry Rubins** will be away in **Mexico** for awhile but when he returns mid-April he will help maximize out **Rotary Foundation** giving with matching dollars.
- **Bill Gunter** passed around a sign up sheet for those who plan to attend the **St Pats day** meeting at the **Steel and Hops** restaurant starting at 5:30 next Monday, March 19. Cost is \$20.
- Janet Codding says that the next SCARC meeting is March 29 at the Petaluma

Golf and Country Club. The discussion will be about attracting Millenials to Rotary. Let her know if you are interested.

Birthdays:

- **Jeff Ray's** birthday is this **Friday**. He will work and **Cheryl** will take him out to dinner.
- **Gary Lucas's** is older by another year next week sometime. He didn't share how he will celebrate.





Happy Dollars:

• Christine Schieberl acknowledged her son Zack's recent success in being accepted for a 9 week summer program at Stanford and was chosen as one of the 120 students selected to paticipate in their leadership program. \$100

- **Milagros Ott** is pleased her son Nicholas is home after graduating in December as a chemical engineer from UCLA. \$10
- **Chris** told us her vacation was a cruise her daughter got for her. They had a wonderful mother/daughter trip but came home to her dog **Cooper** missing. After putting out flyers and internet announcements, **Cooper** showed up this morning, a little worse for the wear but home just the same. \$20.

The Raffle:

- Carson Mitchell spun the wheel and got a bottle of wine!
- **Jeff Ray** tried to draw the marble but got the wrong one.



Our Program:

• Our **Foreign Exchange Student** from **Brazil, Giordan Vilamoski**, gave us a very detailed talk about his home country and the town of **Brusque** (pronounced 'bruski'). He is one of 19 exchange students in out district, is an only child and his father works as a manager of modular construction. He attends a private high school (better than public) but will attend public college (better than private). He wants to be a civil engineer and he plays guitar, football (socceer to us yanks) and is very much enjoying his time in **Santa Rosa**.

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• He has seen snow for the first time, visited **San Francisco**, went to a **Giants** game, ice skated, went bowling, saw the **Monterey Bay Aquariam** and visited our **Sonoma Coast**.



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