

ROTARY CLUB  
OF SANTA ROSA WEST

## Bulletin - 4/23/18 - Anthony Galloway, LEAP SCIENCE & MATH SCHOOLS, South Africa

*by Christine Schieberl - Monday, April 23, 2018*

The bell was rung at 12:30 pm by Chris Parr-Feldman to open the meeting.



Jim Hinton gave the moment.



Visiting Rotarian: Anthony Galloway from South Africa



**Guests:**

Toodie Dodson

Christine Hune – Piner High School

Oscar Zuwala – Piner High School

Jim Hinton introduced Alan Silow, President & CEO of Santa Rosa Symphony.



Thank you to volunteers:  
Bill Dodson – Cashier  
Mohinder Gulati & Harry Rubins – Greeters  
Doug Angelo – Rotary raffle tickets  
Bulletin – Karen O’Connor



Bob Zeni introduced the candidates for Students of the Month:

Christine Hune: 4 years in tennis. Accepted to UC Davis in Biological Science  
She is interested in the medical field and helping others.

Oscar Zuwala: Accepted to UC Santa Barbara. Interested in being an Astronaut, Engineer  
or Architect. He also wants to buy his Mom a house & Dad a car.



Megan Paulson who was Student of the Month in 2013 lost her plaque in the recent fires  
and so we were able to get her another one, which will be presented to her.

David McDonald & Bill Dodson – Chairpersons for the Crab Feed, presented our “Fund in  
Need”, Simply Strings a check for \$21,550. Alan Silow accepted the check with many  
thanks. Explained how important this money is to support the SS and the children who  
attend. Gives them a sense of purpose.

Harry Rubins announced that one-week left if you want to contribute to the Paul Harris Foundation.

Janet Coddling announced that this Thursday is SARC, which Milagros & Denise are attending.

Ginny Pitts announced that the annual Cinco de Mayo Party, which is always a blast, will be held at her house on May 7, 2018.

Carson won \$5.00 in the spin wheel

Milagros did not win with the marble.

Speaker: Anthony Galloway, LEAP SCIENCE & MATH SCHOOLS, South Africa



Karen O'Connor introduced Anthony since she had recently visited the school and met with him in Cape Town.

He stayed with Mike & Maureen Merrill

LEAP stands for Lunger Educational Assistance Program.

The school has been supported by Rotary Grants, which supplied the school with desks, chairs, and supplies. It is for the “deeply disadvantaged children.”

It is to teach these children that they can RISE ABOVE the poverty and learn and have opportunities that others have with education. It not only teaches the children, but also it is a social transformation.

The schools are located in townships where the poverty is extreme and they interview the kids who are interested in being educated. Parents also have to make a commitment to allow the children to attend. The goal is to achieve financial sustainability.

There is a new computer lab, science lab and life orientation area. This gives so much pride amongst the students.

At first, so many people felt this project started by John Gilmore in 2003, could never be done, now it is doing very well, thanks to the help of Rotary and the commitment of the students. Past students are now trained and are the teachers. 80 former LEAP students are now teachers.

### CHANGE IS HAPPENING!

80% of the people in these townships are floundering due to apartheid, but major changes happen when you educate the young. It is the KEY to the future success.

INVITE Santa Rosa West to Partner with LEAP to start another school in Johannesburg, SA. Don Johnson's response was "HELL YA!" And we all agreed! We all need to help in this incredible GRANT to support the LEAP school project; it is changing the lives of many under privileged children.

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