



ROTARY CLUB
OF SANTA ROSA WEST

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Mohinder Gulati was given his blue badge to replace the red badge after having completed the requirements.



Visitors: Two Piner High Senior students: Benjamin Somma, who is headed to UC Davis to pursue a degree in International Studies, and Jasmine Rattanpal, who wants to study Pharmaceutical Chemistry hoping to be able to help her mom some day.



Barbara Larson described the donations made from the Fire Relief Fund. So far, the fund has made 38 grants, with 5 applications pending and awarded \$190,000. The Fund will also rebuild Coffee Park.



A group of Rotarians made up of Terry Galazzo, Charles Baker, Bill Dodson, Darcie Fellows, Gary Lucas and President Chris Parr-Feldman went to the 6 third grade classes in 3 schools to distribute dictionaries. The students and their teachers applauded the Rotary effort.



The Rotary Board approved a \$2,000 grant to the Roseland School District.

David McDonald invited everyone to his office to discuss potential improvements to the next Crab Dinner Fund raising in his office.

Today's speaker was Erica Vogel, of Community Matters, a non-profit organization that is making a big contribution to educate school children against bullying. The volunteers select influential students who act as Clique Leaders and are given intensive training over a 2-day period on stopping the bullying in schools. The organization has trained 80,000 students in 2,000 schools nationwide over the 17-year period and are expanding their activities in Canada and Japan. Fourth grade is the ideal stage to train students.



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