

ROTARY CLUB
OF SANTA ROSA WEST



Bulletin - 4/9/18 - Dr. Jeffrey Rhodes and Nancy Miller, Santa Rosa Junior College

by Christine Schieberl - Monday, April 09, 2018

President Chris, standing beside her giant birthday card, welcomed us all to today's meeting.



Our greeters were Gary Lucas and new member Marie Esposti-Winter. Our cashier was Bob Zeni and tickets were sold by Tarina Hall. Bill Dodson did set-up and Gil Lucas handled the microphone. The flag salute was led by Jim Hinton and Gail Johnson gave us a moment after reminding us that today marked 6 months since the fire.

President Chris Parr-Feldman told about meeting a man from Japan who recognized her Rotary pin and told her he too was a Rotarian. Weeks later a flag from the Rotary Club of Fukiyama arrived at her home.

Guests of Rotarians were Susan Silverman and Zack Schieberl.



Don Johnson introduced Weston Miller who has received approval to join our club.



Rotary district 5130 fire relief funds have been distributed to many worthy individuals who lost their livelihoods in the fires. Darcie Fellows who is on the committee told about a lady named Sheila who's husband was in a serious car accident that left him disabled and then their house burned down. Sheila was a house cleaner and lost her vehicle and all her supplies. Thanks to the relief fund we were able to provide her with \$5,000 plus Brian Fikes, a former Rotarian with our club is working to get her a car.



Harry Rubins pitched the Foundation and explained that for every dollar an individual contributes a point is given to that person and when \$1,000 is reached another 1,000 points goes toward that individual's Paul Harris for a family member.

Ginny Pitts gave us the date of May 7th which will be our annual Cinco de Mayo party at her lovely home. Come for Margaritas, delicious food and great friends to celebrate.

The time will be 5:00 o'clock.

Ginny also reminded us the Symphony's Farewell to Bruno Ferrandis concert will be on May 6th and she still has a few tickets left for the 3 o'clock performance.

Speaking of the symphony, you can help raise funds for the youth symphony by participating in the Human Race on April 28th.

Chuck Baker put flyers on the tables for the San Francisco Scottish Fiddlers who will be performing April 29th at 2 o'clock at the Friedman Center. This is sponsored by our Rotary District 5130. Tickets are \$20 & \$25.

53 years ago on April 15th Carson Mitchell and Bill Fisher along with 24 other gentlemen held the first meeting of the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa West. So nice to still have these distinguished men in our club!



Just before Janet introduced our speakers she led us in singing happy birthday to President Chris Parr-Feldman who is turning 75 tomorrow! Best wishes to our esteemed president and everyone signed her gigantic card.

Oh yes, the raffle: Ray Mattison had the ticket for a bottle of wine. And although yours truly had the right ticket I couldn't pick out the black marble.



Our speakers today were Dr. Jeffrey Rhodes and Nancy Miller from Santa Rosa Junior College. Also present with them was Kate McClintock.



Dr. Jeffrey Rhodes has been the director of community and contract education at the JC since 2015. SRJC offers courses for adults who want to further their education with enrichment and business classes. In addition to Santa Rosa there are campuses in southwest Santa Rosa and Petaluma.

Nancy Miller has worked with SRJC and the Sonoma County Adult Education Consortium for the past 4 years. In conjunction with the Sheriff's office she has developed an education correction and re-entry program for inmates.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Nowacki

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