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US Bank



## IT'S OFFICIAL Bill Earns his Blue Badge



**Bill Arena**, Writer, Editor, and Social Media Manager of the Arena Creative Group, completed all his tasks and became a full fledged member of our club. Bill is no stranger to Rotary as he was a member of the Arlington Club when he lived in Texas. Bill worked with the Team that delivered cars to Paradise and is now serving as marketing manager for the CARS 2ND CHANCE program.

## **“WILL THE MEETING PLEASE COME TO ORDER”**



## **THOUGHT OF THE DAY FROM EWA SOBIŁO**



“Courage is being scared to death, but  
saddling up anyway.”  
—John Wayne



## **TODAY’S GUESTS**



**MILTON MOMITA**  
Today’s Speaker



**MAJOR CLAY GARDNER**  
of the Salvation Army



# GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS



## *Club Services*

**Club Services Chair Barbara Reifschneider** announced that “**Day at the Races**” will take place on November 22. To make sure she has enough tickets, she asked for a hand count from the members to get an idea of how many tickets to order.

## *Community Services*

**Community Services Co-chair Clayton Worsdell** announced that the Christmas Bell Ringing for the **Salvation Army** will take place December 7 at 5431 Clayton Road. Mark your calendar. Details to follow.



## *President's Service Award*



**Clayton Worsdell, Bill Arena, Madam President Julia Dawson, Dave Kemnitz, Renee Rushworth and Rich Lueck** received the President's Service Awards this morning for all they do and have done for the **CARS 2ND CHANCE** program. **Mary Kemnitz** was unable to attend but she made sure we knew that they donated 49 cars to citizens of Paradise.

## Community Emergency Response Member



**Rich Lueck** reports that **Treasurer Vicki Sexton** signed up to train for the CERT program. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training promotes is a partnering effort between emergency services and the people that they serve. The goal is for emergency personnel to train members of neighborhoods, community organizations, or workplaces in basic response skills. CERT members are then integrated into the emergency response capability for their area.



## Strengthen Your Club: Register Now

Fall Training Seminars are here and **District Governor Tina Akins** wants us to know that the 2019-20 Rotary term is in full swing! The Fall Seminars are an opportunity for Rotarians from across the District to come together and begin to strengthen our Clubs. The theme of the Seminars is the Rotary 3-legged stool - Public Relations/Branding, Foundation and Membership which is a chance to better understand how these three areas of focus work together to strengthen your Club. **Register now.**



### Fall Training Seminar - Fairfield

Saturday, October 5, 2019 Location: Fairfield High School, 205 E. Atlantic Ave, Fairfield

### Fall Training Seminar - Redding

Saturday, October 19, 2019 Location: Simpson College 2211 College View Drive, Redding

**Questions?** Contact District Trainers Claire Roberts ([cmroberts@comcast.net](mailto:cmroberts@comcast.net)) or Patricia Bergman ([pcochranb@hughes.net](mailto:pcochranb@hughes.net))

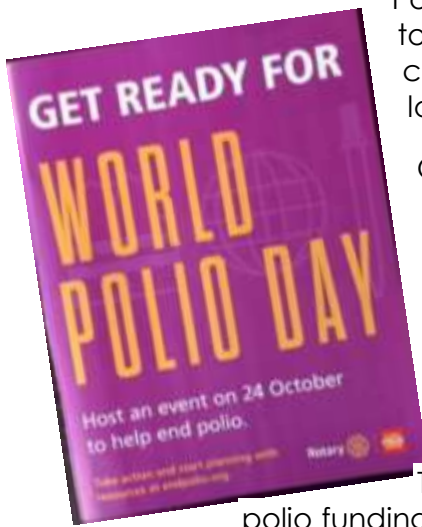
## World Polio Day: October 24

Polio(myelitis) has existed for thousands of years but major outbreaks started to occur in the late 19th century in Europe and the United States. In the 20th century it became one of the most fearsome childhood diseases in these locations.

Of the \$1.9 billion Rotary has raised and funded since the mid-1980s, \$885 million has come from the Gates Foundation in the form of matching grants. For the past several years and for the foreseeable future, the Gates Foundation matches donations raised through Rotary on a two to one basis, such that a \$1 donation becomes \$3 to fight polio.

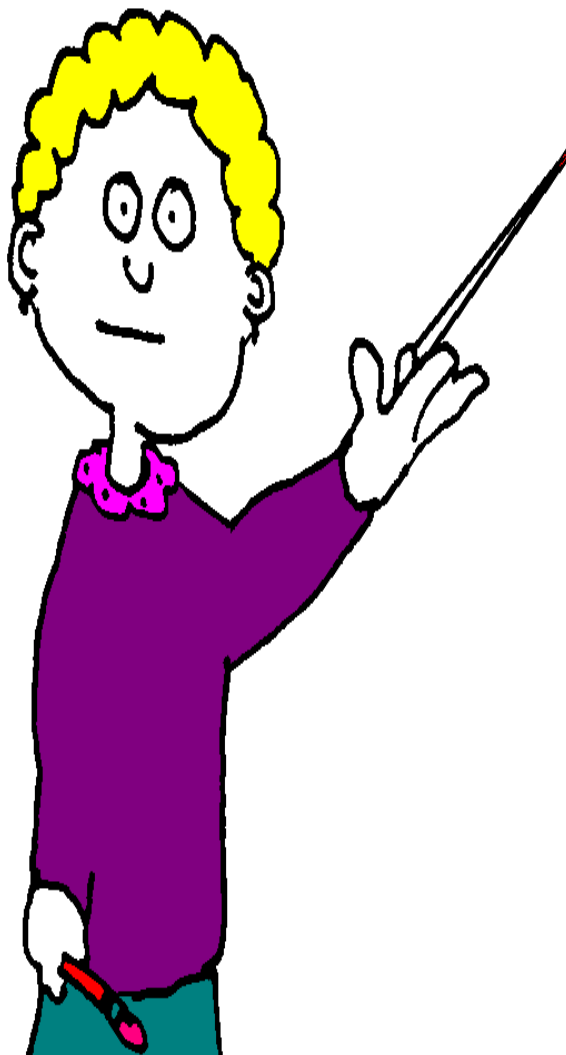
The Gates Foundation's total giving for the fight against polio was approximately \$3.7 billion through the end of 2018. Roughly a quarter of its polio funding is made in the form of matching grants to Rotary. Together, Rotary and the Gates Foundation represent more than 28% of all

polio funding, including funding from governments. Whatever the reasons for the Gates Rotary partnership or its success, the children who will one day live in a world without polio won't much care who gets the credit response capability for their area.



# IN THE KNOW

*The Rotary experience comes to life when you invite a new member to join. When you do, be sure to familiarize yourself with the following process:*



## *New Member Process*

Entry into our Rotary Club requires an invitation and sponsorship. This applies to new candidates as well as transfers from other Rotary Clubs. The best way to approach a potential new member is to describe Rotary as a leadership organization made up of local business, professional, and civic leaders who meet regularly, get to know each other, form friendships and—through that—are able to get things done in our community and the world.

### *Step 1: PRELIMINARY APPLICATION*

After you have met and discussed the Rotary organization and learned enough about the Prospective Members to determine if they would be a good fit, you will fill out an Introductory Questionnaire and submit it to the Membership Director who will assign a Sponsor to represent the Prospective Member. The Sponsor completes an Official Application that will be submitted to the Secretary.

### *Step 2: INTRODUCTIONS TO THE CLUB*

The Application is reviewed by the Membership Director and Secretary. If in agreement, they invite the Proposed Members to attend a club meeting where they are introduced to the members and given an opportunity to speak about themselves. After attending three meetings, and after a review of the expectations of membership in the club, the Proposed Member's Application is submitted to the Board.

### *Step 3: PROPOSAL AND ORIENTATION MEETING*

Upon Board approval, a 30-minute Orientation Meeting is scheduled with club officers and other members considered relevant to the proceedings. The structure and goals of the club are explained, and all those assembled take this

opportunity to learn about the new member and how he/she can best be an asset to the club. At the end of this meeting, the Proposed Member gives permission for his/her name to be published as a potential new member.

### *Step 4: NOTIFICATION LETTER*

The Secretary sends a letter to the entire membership requesting "objection only" notification of the Proposed Member. The letter will encourage membership to call upon the Proposed Member for the purpose of getting to know him/her prior to joining the club. Any objection must be in writing and received by the Secretary within 10 days.

### *Step 5: ACCEPTANCE AND FEES*

If no objections are forthcoming, the Secretary notifies the Proposed Member who submits the initiation fee, prorated club fees, and is formally inducted into membership at the next available meeting.. **If an objection is raised by a member of the club, the Board will consider the objection and vote on it. At least TWO Board members must object if the membership proposed is declined.**



## *Awesome August Milestones*



**Rich Lueck** and **Pam** experienced a kidney transplant 15 years ago on August 26. Totally incredible, and they are a couple that we truly admire.

**Dave Kemnitz** celebrates another birthday on August 11. We sure were glad to see him again and had a chance to say: Happy Birthday. He and Mary celebrated by cruising down the Delta.



**Bob Sundberg** and **Karen** celebrate their wedding anniversary and he donated \$100 to his Paul Harris account.



**Major Gardner** is celebrating his 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and what he claims is his 10<sup>th</sup> birthday. Major thanked Rich Lueck for letting him park his camping trailer in his driveway for free. Well, what are Rotarians for anyway?



# HAPPY BUCKS

**Russ Anderson** sure is happy that the fire started by a homeless encampment came within inches of the Lehmer's Buick GMC and no damage done. Propane tanks did explode on the shoulder of Hwy 242.



**Renee Rushworth** had a great time at the Friday Night Live party and wanted to thank Barbara Reifschneider for her marvelous hostess skills.



**Fred Nelson** said that the highlight of his 15 days exploring the British Isles was getting to pet a Shetland pony, and here is proof that he did.





# TODAY'S SPEAKER



On May 8, 1942, our speaker, **Milton Momita**, his family, and 1,500 other Japanese-Americans boarded busses and were shipped off to the Poston Concentration Camp on the Colorado Indian Reservation in Arizona. Milton talked to us this morning about his experiences during his time at the Camp.

The **Poston Internment Camp**, in Yuma County Arizona, was the largest of the ten American concentration camps operated by the War Relocation Authority during World War II. Poston was built on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, over the objections of the Tribal Council, who refused to be a part of doing to others what had been done to their tribe. However, Army commanders and officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs overruled the Council. The combined peak population of the Poston camps was over 17,000. The Poston facility was named after Charles Debrille Poston, a government engineer who

established the Colorado River Reservation in 1865 and planned an irrigation system to serve the needs of the Indian people who would live there. A single fence surrounded all three camps, and the site was so remote that authorities considered it unnecessary to build guard towers.

Schools and a number of other buildings were constructed by the internees. Many of the inhabitants participated in and created recreational activities, such as the Boy Scouts, sports teams, and jobs. Baseball teams were very common among the internees as leagues were set up soon after opening. Scores and game summaries were recorded in the Poston daily press bulletin, along with other daily news.

There were elements that made life at Poston livable for internees, but their time at the camp was mostly filled with frustration and struggled to the end of their internment as highlighted in this poem composed by one of the internees that summed up life in the camp.

## THAT DAMNED FENCE

Written by an Anonymous internee about life at Poston.

They've sunk the posts deep into the ground  
They've strung out wires all the way around.  
With machine gun nests just over there  
And sentries and soldiers everywhere.

We're trapped like rats in a wired cage,  
To fret and fume with impotent rage;  
Yonder whispers the lure of the night,  
But that DAMNED FENCE assails our sight.

We seek the softness of the midnight air,  
But that DAMNED FENCE in the floodlight glare  
Awakens unrest in our nocturnal quest,  
And mockingly laughs with vicious jest.



With nowhere to go and nothing to do,  
We feel terrible, lonesome, and blue:  
That DAMNED FENCE is driving us crazy,  
Destroying our youth and making us lazy.

Imprisoned in here for a long, long time,  
We know we're punished—though we've committed no crime,  
Our thoughts are gloomy and enthusiasm damp,  
To be locked up in a concentration camp.

Loyalty we know, and patriotism we feel,  
To sacrifice our utmost was our ideal,  
To fight for our country, and die, perhaps;  
But we're here because we happen to be Japs.

We all love life, and our country best,  
Our misfortune to be here in the west,  
To keep us penned behind that DAMNED FENCE,  
Is someone's notion of NATIONAL DEFENSE!

Poston today: A number of buildings built for the concentration camps are still in use today. Others, while still intact, are seriously deteriorated. The majority were removed after the camp closed and the land returned to the Colorado River Indian Tribes. When asked for his opinion of the immigration camps in our southern borders he said: *"It seems we never learn anything. As we can see, history seems to be repeating itself."*

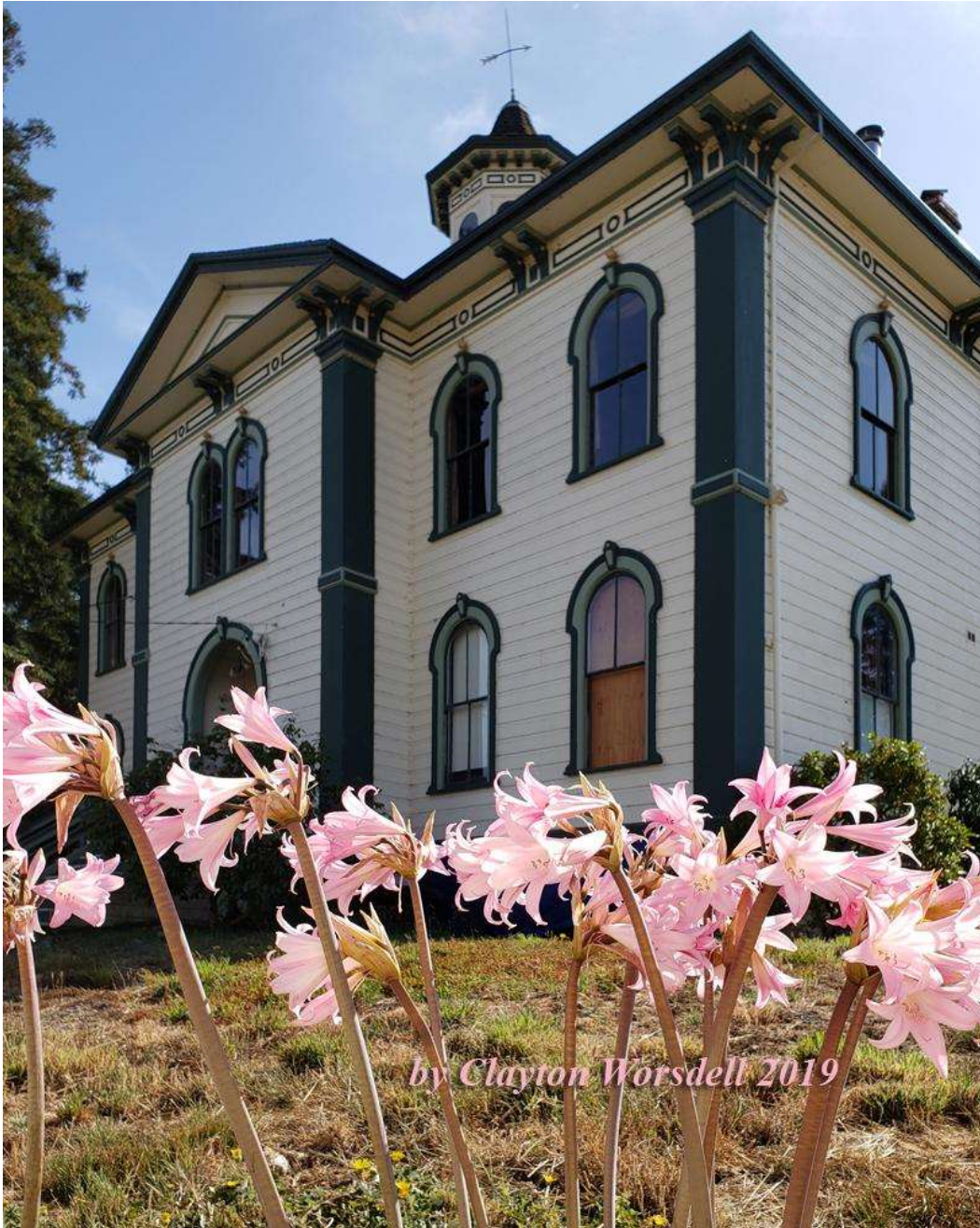


## LITERACY PROGRAM

**Milton** autographed the book that will be donated to the Clayton public library as part of our Literacy program.

# THE GALLERY

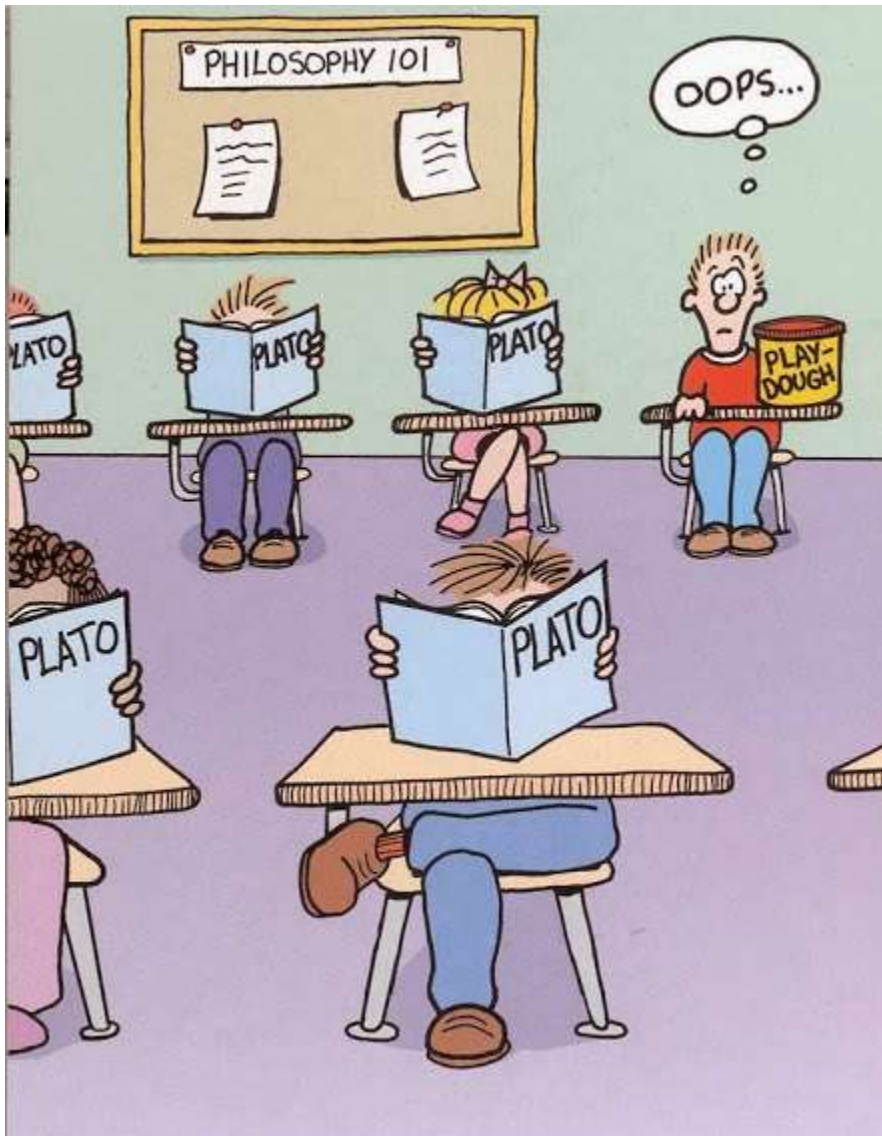
From the lens of Clayton Worsdell.



Clayton took this photo last week of the Naked Ladies (the flowers) at the Potter Schoolhouse in Bodega Bay. This is the house from Alfred Hitchcock's film: "The Birds." You will recognize it the minute you drive up the road. It is now a private residence so you can't go inside or beyond the fence. There is a plaque on the gate that has information about the house. It's pretty cool if you saw the movie!!!



# ALWAYS LEAVE 'EM LAUGHING



## A LESSON LEARNED

A doctor and a lawyer are talking at a party. Their conversation is constantly interrupted by people describing their ailments and asking the doctor for free medical advice. After an hour of this, the exasperated doctor asks the lawyer, "What do you do to stop people from asking you for legal advice when you're out of the office?" "I give it to them," replies the lawyer, "and then I send them a bill." The doctor is shocked, but agrees to give it a try. The next day, still feeling slightly guilty, the doctor prepares the bills. When he goes to place them in his mailbox, he finds a bill from the lawyer.



## TIME SURE DOES FLY

I was sitting in the waiting room for my first appointment with a new dentist. I noticed his dental diploma, which bore his full name. Suddenly, I remembered a tall, handsome, dark haired boy with the same name had been in my high school chemistry class some 40-odd years ago. Could he be the same guy that I had a secret crush on, way back then?

Upon seeing him, however, I quickly discarded any such thought. This balding, grey haired man with the deeply lined face was far too old to have been my classmate.

After he examined my teeth, I asked him if he had attended Morgan Park High School.

"Yes, yes I did. I'm a Morganner!" he beamed with pride.

"When did you graduate?" I asked.

He answered, "In 1975. Why do you ask?"

"You were in my class!" I exclaimed.

He looked at me closely as if examining me and then the ugly, old, bald, wrinkled, fat, grey haired, decrepit old geezer asked "Oh yeah? What subject did you teach?"

## LIE DETECTING ROBOT

John was a salesman's delight when it came to any kind of unusual gimmick. His wife Marsha had long ago given up trying to get him to change. One day John came home with another one of his unusual purchases.

It was a robot that John claimed was actually a lie detector. It was about 5:30 that afternoon when Tommy, their 11-year old son, returned home from school. Tommy was over 2 hours late. "Where have you been? Why are you over 2 hours late getting home?" asked John. "Several of us went to the library to work on an extra credit project," said Tommy. The robot then walked around the table and slapped Tommy, knocking him completely out of his chair. "Son," said John, "this robot is a lie detector, now tell us where you really were after school." "We went to Bobby's house and watched a movie." said Tommy. "What did you watch?" asked Marsha. "The Ten Commandments," answered Tommy. The robot went around to Tommy and once again slapped him, knocking him off his chair. With his lip quivering, Tommy got up, sat down and said, "I am sorry I lied. We really watched a tape called Sex Queen."

"I am ashamed of you son," said John. "When I was your age, I never lied to my parents." The robot then walked around to John and delivered a whack that nearly knocked him out of his chair. His wife Marsha doubled over in laughter, almost in tears and said, "Boy, did you ever ask for that one! You can't be too mad with Tommy. After all, He is your son!" With that, the robot immediately walked around to Marsha and knocked her out of her chair.

*...that's all folks.*

