

# Rotary



## Club of Napa Sunrise

Club bulletin 9/22/2022 by Bob Van Der Velde for Bob Harris

### Club Meeting

Napa Sunrise  
Meets at Silverado Resort & Spa  
1600 Atlas Peak Rd  
Napa, CA 94558-1425  
Time: Thursday at 07:00 AM

### Speakers

**September 29, 2022**

Rob Haines  
Craft Talk

**October 06, 2022**

Jennifer Strong  
District Governor - District 5130

**October 13, 2022**

Steve Potter  
Napa City Manager

### Club Leaders



Paul Oseso  
President



Patricia Lawrence  
President-Elect



Jason Dominici  
Secretary



Douglas Roberts  
Treasurer



Robert Harris  
Bulletin Editor



Brian J. Kelly  
Attendance Secretary

Katherine Inderkum  
Anderson  
Rotary Foundation

### Today's Pledge and Thought

Rob Haines as pinch hitter led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered this thought from "Coach K" Mike Krzyzewski: "Confidence shared is better than confidence only in yourself.... Two are better than one if two act as one."

### Historical Notes & Song

Notes about this date were offered by Bob Van Der Velde for Doug "At Sea Again" Roberts:

September is Classical Music Month, and Hispanic Heritage Month is September 15 - October 15.

September 22nd is National Ice Cream Day, National White Chocolate Day, and the Autumnal Equinox. Welcome to Fall!

Paul Everett valiantly led an effort at the song "Pizza Burning" aka Beast of Burden, but the pizza wasn't quite fully baked.

### Announcements

Scott Young and Matt Hooper reported on the club 5 year strategic plan, thanking all who participated in the survey. A draft will be circulated by early October.

Jim Collins reported that the Walk Against Alzheimers raised over \$3,000!

Mike Basayne reported on Membership Committee developments, including new member Linda Zaiss. The committee proposed and the board agreed that \$400 in club miscellaneous fees (Rotary International dues \$150, Kickout expenses \$75, Birthday Fine \$50, Rotary Foundation minimum donation \$100, and Polio Plus minimum donation \$25) would now be billed as a \$100 quarterly charge.

Paul Oseso thanked Jim Collins for the use of his office for board meetings as the previous location is no longer available.

Katie Anderson noted that the District Governor visit is coming up, as well as a Foundation training program. Wine is needed for gift baskets. She shared the District's Rotary Foundation Celebration will be Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, an Oktoberfest themed event held during the day at the Wulff & Paula Reinhold ranch in Santa Rosa. Come for this fun, casual, outdoor Oktoberfest celebration honoring the Rotary Foundation achievements of our clubs and members within our District. Wear your favorite lederhosen, bust out your beer steins and bring your appetite for an amazing catered Oktoberfest celebration. In true German fashion, we'll have beer, brats, wine, entertainment, fun, fellowship and much more as we come back to once again celebrate the power of Rotary! (Check email for details)



Chair



Mike Basayne  
Membership Chair



Alyssa Pardini  
Sergeant-at-Arms



James Collins  
Community Service  
Chair



Jonny T Karpuk  
Club Service Chair



Brenda Burke  
International Service  
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Emily Evans  
Vocational Service  
Chair



Robert J Van Der  
Velde  
Youth Services Chair



Brian Doughty  
iPast President



Mary Hastings  
Eisenberg  
Assistant Governor

## Birthdays

Choolwe Kalulu  
September 25th

Brendon K. Freeman  
September 26th

Alyssa Pardini  
September 28th

Chris Craiker  
October 3rd

Denny Mosher



## Happy Dollars & Rotary Joker

Happy (and sad) Dollars

Rob Haines noted that September 22nd was the third anniversary of the loss of Addie Dominici, Jason and Megan Dominici's daughter. He offered a \$50 donation in Addie's memory, which was quickly matched by Prolific Prep, Jonny Karpuk, Denny Mosher, Adam Ghisletta, Bernie Narvaez, Paul Oseso, Devereaux Smith, Hugh Linn, and Katie Anderson.

Mike Basayne was \$50 happy each to the Paul Harris of Will Marcencia and Bernie Narvaez for their assistance in publicizing 56 \$1500 small business development grants from SBDC. Denny's donation was also in happiness for his granddaughter playing soccer as a student at CSU Long Beach; Bernie's donation was also in happiness for going out for ice cream and returning with a new Labradoodle puppy.

In addition to his donation in memory of Addi, Adam Ghisletta was also \$50 happy for a Napa Council decision to allow his family property to be used for housing development.

Leona was \$25 happy to her Paul Harris for her daughter passing her sommelier exam, and \$25 happy to Jim Collins' Paul Harris for assisting her with Ticketmaster technical difficulties. Leona's happiness must be particularly strong, because hers was the winning ticket for the Rotary Joker (third time in a month!), but not strong enough to win the \$111 pot which will roll to next week.

## Guests

Once and future Rotatrian Kristin Bowne was introduced to the club. Welcome, Kristin!

## Today's Presentation - Prolific Prep

Coach Ryan Bernardi, a recent visitor to the club, provided a fun and informative talk about Prolific Prep, the nationally-ranked high school basketball academy program housed at Napa Christian. Per the website, "Prolific Prep provides a college-preparatory education on and off the basketball court while transforming the athlete in reaching, as well as exceeding, his fullest potential. The ultimate goal to recruit elite high school basketball players who are also great students and offer them an environment whereby academic standards are not sacrificed in the name of athletic excellence. Prolific Prep includes a highly

October 6th  
Matthew R Hooper  
October 9th  
Mark C. Luce  
October 12th  
Steve C. Crump MD  
October 12th

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qualified staff and offers the opportunity for top US players who compete with accomplished international level athletes, a unique fusion that provides an unparalleled competitive advantage."

Prolific Prep was founded in Napa in 2014, with Coach Ryan arriving in April 2022 along with his assistant coach Caleb Vandenburg. Prolific Prep is proud that 37 alums have earned full scholarships at NCAA Division 1 schools, with three players currently in the NBA. Students have come to Napa from 22 different countries, with many of them housed by Napa host families who have hosted 47 players in the last 8 years. Coach Ryan spoke with pride about the life-changing program, the staff and community support, and the winning ways. Coach Caleb told us their motto for players is "Mission and Me" to remind them they are a part of something bigger than the individual.

The club heard from Trey Greene, a senior who has chosen from multiple offers to sign with Xavier University in Cincinnati next year. Trey comes from North Carolina, where his team beat Coach Ryan's former team in playoffs. "If you can't beat him, get him to join your team!" We also heard from 6'10" sophomore Daniel Ikechukwu, recently arrived from Nigeria via the NBA Academy in Senegal. (Katie Anderson won the prize for the correct guess of his height.) Upon his arrival in Napa this month one of his first stops was In-N-Out Burger for his first hamburger, with many more in his plans!

Coach Ryan and Coach Caleb paid tribute to Rob Haines who has been the key person in Napa for the program, connecting the academy to the community. The team travels all over the country, with the goal of winning the GEICO National Championship televised by ESPN in April. Exit rows are a premium commodity on those cross-country flights.

Home games are held at the Napa Valley College gym.



Coach Ryan, Paul Oseso, Rob Haines, Coach Caleb, Daniel Ikechukwu, Trey Greene

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