

Rotary



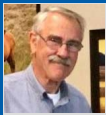
Club of Southwest Eureka

Club Meeting

Southwest Eureka
Meets at Via Zoom
Teleconferencing
Members Contact Elan Firpo
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Time: Friday at 12:30 PM

Club Leaders



John Vandermolen
President



Elizabeth Ennis
President-Elect



Elan Firpo
Secretary



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Treasurer



Cynthia Denbo
Public Relations
Chair



Mark McGowan
Rotary
Foundation Chair



Scott Pesch
Membership
Chair



Rick Roberts
Sergeant-at-Arms



Haider Ajina
Lyme Tap Chair

Daniel Brown
Community
Service Chair

Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka Sou'wester March 19, 2021

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President **John Vandermolen** called the meeting to order at 12:35.



Pledge and Thought for the Day:



[Nancy Kay](#)
Club Service
Chair



[Martin L. Lay](#)
International
Service Chair



[Meghann M
Broadstock](#)
Vocational
Service Chair



[Kenneth S
Singleton](#)
iPast President



[Mary L. Crumley](#)
Assistant
Governor

Events / Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays

Matthew Nilsen
March 21st

Carl Willoughby
March 31st

Larry Goldberg
March 31st

Meghann M Broadstock
April 15th



Elan Firpo led us in the Pledge. The ♦Thought for the Day♦ was about letting doubt get in the way of achieving what one is capable of. Elan read some great quotes on the subject. One was ♦The most difficult thing is the decision to act, the rest is merely tenacity. The fears are paper tigers. You can do anything you decide to do.♦♦Amelia Earhart.

Rotary Minute:



International Chair **Marty Lay** gave a report on a project the club is participating in for Rotary Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Month. The project is in Nepal and the Kathmandu Rotary Club is the lead club. This \$65,000 project will enable young women to attend school during menstruation. It includes teaching them to make washable pads. Sonoma Valley Rotary is the lead club in the U.S. The SW Rotary board has authorized minimum donation of \$1,000.

Announcements:

Backpacks assignments are filled through the end of March. A special thanks goes to regulars **Mike**

Newman, Elan Firpo, Emily Kirsch and Ken Singleton.



Best of the Wursth, next Thursday, March 25th. There are currently over 300 meals sold and extra help is needed. **Liz Ennis** asked for more members to volunteer for the remaining duties, which include packing boxes and check in. **Haider Ajina** has emailed the sign-up sheet again. Thanks to **Cindy Denbo** and her team for the publicity.

Dictionaries were distributed to Alice Birney Elementary last week. Redwood Capital Bank and Coast Central Credit Union added bags, banks and desk organizers for the class. The Principal and class teacher expressed sincere thanks. **Sid Noyes** and **Meghann Broadstock** coordinated the deliveries.



❖What you don't know about me.❖ Ken Singleton wanted us to know he went to four colleges, even though one was only for a day. They were Chico State, U of Hawaii, UC Davis and University of the Pacific. Well done, Ken!



Recognitions: President John recognized **Ron Harris** for his birthday in absentia. He also recognized **John and Liz Ennis** for their 51st Anniversary. They took a day trip to Prairie Creek. Liz tapped out for the occasion!



Program: *Who Saved the Redwoods: The Unsung Heroines of the 1920s Who Fought for Our Redwood Forests* was presented by Laura and James Wasserman. A synopsis of their book follows.

◆ Powerful lumber interests stood in the way of the first campaigns to save the redwood trees of Humboldt County, California, but they were boldly opposed and pushed back. This history of the early 1900s recalls the Progressive Era crusades of women and men who prevailed against great odds, protecting the best of California's northern redwood forests. ◆

The authors highlighted that it was largely Women's Clubs which had redwood conservation as a part of their platform, specifically the California Federation of Women's Clubs, the Save the Redwoods League and the Garden Club of America who championed the effort. Rotary of California and the League of Women Voters were also involved. Five percent of the Old Growth Redwoods are preserved to today, many of them in Humboldt County.



Who Saved the Redwoods?

*The Unsung Heroines of the 1920s Who Fought for
Our Redwood Forests*

Laura and James Wasserman



Closing:

See everyone Thursday at the ♦Best of the Wurst♦!