



Club Meeting

Southwest Eureka
Meets at The Elks Lodge at
445 Herrick Ave Eureka CA
455 Herrick Ave
Eureka, CA 95503
Time: Friday at 12:00 PM

Club Leaders



William Gillespie
President



Larry Goldberg
President-Elect



Mary L. Crumley
Secretary



Elan Firpo
iPast President
Treasurer



Cynthia Denbo
Public Relations
Chair



Matthew Nilsen
Rotary
Foundation Chair



Rick Roberts
Sergeant-at-
Arms



Haider Ajina
Lyme Tap Chair



Michael Davies-
Hughes
Community
Service Chair



Peter Fuller
Club Service
Chair



Scott Pesch
Past President
Club Service
Chair



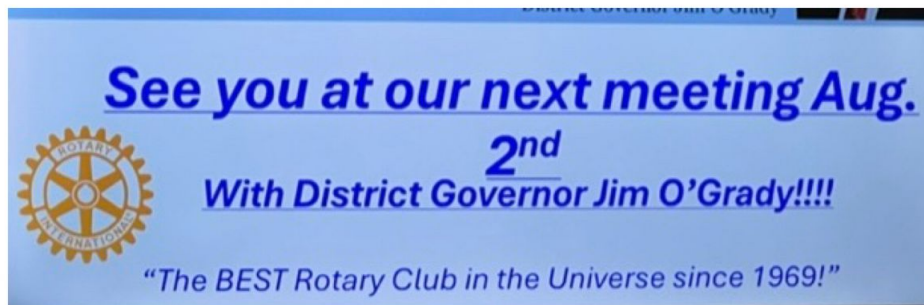
Jamie Anderson
International
Service Chair



Kristin
Kuxhausen
Vocational
Service Chair

Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka July 26, 2024

The bell was rung, the pledge was recited, and Cindy provided the thought of the day. There was a full agenda today.



REMINDER .. Board meeting at the Elks at 11:00 on Friday, August 2.
Sunshine report:

- Erin Young reported that her mom is undergoing cancer treatment. Please keep Erin and her mom in your thoughts and prayers.
- Bill Gillespie reported that his dad is in urgent need of a heart valve replacement. He will undergo surgery on August 6th in Santa Rosa again, thought and prayers for a smooth surgery.





Willy Bowles
Youth Services
Chair

Events / Speakers

August 2nd
Southwest Eureka Weekly Club Meeting

Speaker: District Governor Jim O'Grady
Subject: 2024-25

August 8th
Martinis by the Bay
Speaker: Martinis by the Bay

August 9th
DARK - Southwest Eureka Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: DARK
Subject: No Meeting due to MBTB day prior

August 15th
Coast Guard Recognition Dinner
Speaker: Coast Guard
Cook-your-own-steak dinner

August 30th
DARK - Southwest Eureka Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: Dark for Labor Day

Birthdays



Tai Massion
August 4th



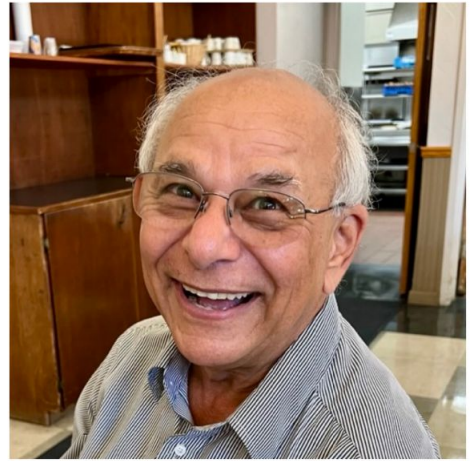
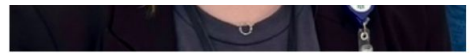
Rick Roberts
August 24th



John Vandermolén
August 28th

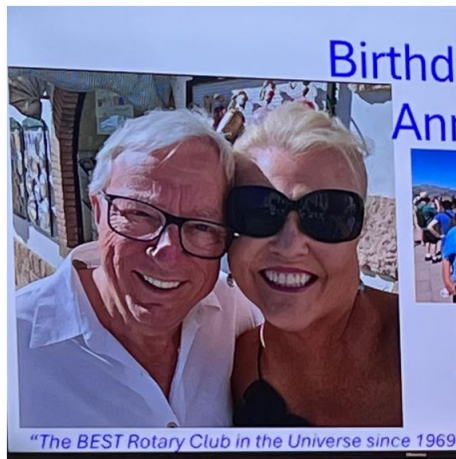


Douglas Anthony Brown
August 31st



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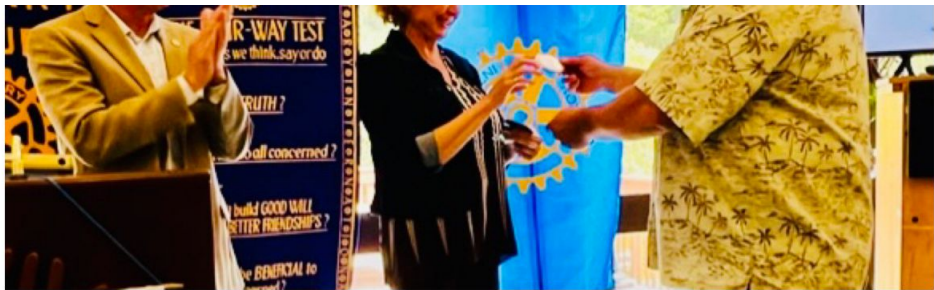
- Gregg Gardiner: double double! Birthday #75 and his wedding anniversary. Gregg, with Kathy and friends, went to Morocco and Spain to celebrate. He made a generous contribution to the club and the foundation!
- Michael Davies-Hughes: Wedding anniversary #25 on July 24th. They had a nice dinner at Moonstone Grill.



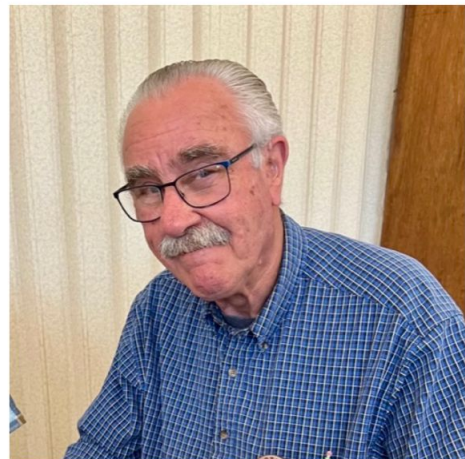
Changing of the Guard

- The badge and pin ceremony happened today. Bill presented Elan with her past president's badge and a gold pin with bling.
- Elan presented Bill the ORIGINAL Rotary pin that has been passed down since the club's inception in 1969 – It has not been lost or misplaced in 55 years! Keep it in a safe place, Bill.
- Elan presented Bill with his official, gold colored President's Badge.
- And last, but certainly not least, the Passing of the Beanie!

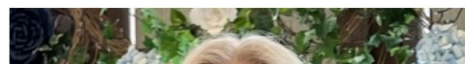




Scott Pesch presented Elan the infamous beanie that was hand-made by founding member Ed Nilsen's wife Joan. Scott adorned it with his hand-held Yahtzee game. This, also, has been passed down for 55 years, and Elan will decorate it with something that represents her year as service to our club! My guess .. Something fishy, perhaps.



- Haider returned recently from spending time in England and Wales. He had a few gifts to present to our president, including a map of Wales. (photo above)
- Tai, pre-announced her upcoming birthday on August 4th, since she will not be here next week. She included a free beer for Roland – nice score!





Announcements:

- August 2nd DG Jim O'Grady will be visiting us next Friday. There will be a board meeting at 11am at the Elks just prior to our regular meeting.
- August 8th Martinis by the Bay is progressing nicely! If you haven't signed up to help, please reach out to Bill. And .. buy you tickets [here!](#)
- August 15th US Coast Guard Dinner at the Elks Lodge. Sign-ups to sponsor a Coastie were going around. If you missed this, get with Melinda Ciarrabellini. Next Friday, the 2nd, there will be signups for

attending the event.

- August 18th Inbound exchange student Luca will be arriving at ACV at 5:30. Please help him feel welcome by showing up to show your support.
- Sept 21st Tour of the Unknown Coast volunteers to help pass out snacks to riders. Get with Haider if you want to join in on the fun!



Program:

Mary Ann Hytken English Express

Mary Ann, a fourth generation Humboldtian, presented an informative overview of this ESL and citizenship certification program. She has worked with over 600 students from 35 different countries. Students can meet in person, or online. She is certainly making a difference in their lives. This was an interactive session, as she taught us a few words in Tanzanian. Roland was our chosen representative (guinea pig?!). For more information: www.englishexpressempowered.com