

# Rotary

## Club of Southwest Eureka



Celebrating  
50 Years  
of Service

### Club Meeting

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

### Club Leaders



[Eddie Morgan](#)  
President



[Kenneth S. Singleton](#)  
President-Elect



[John Vandermolen](#)  
Vice President



[Matthew Nilsen](#)  
iPast President



[Patti Needham](#)  
Secretary



[John R. Goff](#)  
Treasurer



[Rick Roberts](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Elizabeth Ennis](#)  
Club Service  
Director



[William Gillespie](#)  
Community  
Service Director

[Carl Willoughby](#)

### Rotary Club Bulletin April 5, 2019

Written by Bill Morrill (William the 1st) / Photos: Cindy Denbo

**President Eddie Morgan** Rings in the meeting!



Club Service  
Director



Rachael Simon  
International  
Service Director



Greg Dale  
Vocational  
Service Director



Scott Pesch  
Youth Services  
Director



Haider Ajina  
Director At Large  
/ Youth Exchange  
Co-Chair

Cynthia Denbo  
Public Relations  
Chair

**Scott Hammond** greeted all comers and reminded us all that we were "Looking good today" and he could actually get a good look at us! The reason this is notable is that Scotts signature greeting is "your looking good today" which he also states when you're on the phone to him! This led up to 12:24 when Eddie called the meeting to order. Scott led us in the pledge and shared a thoughtful invocation.





Mark McGowan  
Rotary  
Foundation Chair  
/ Youth Exchange  
Co-Chair



Mary L. Crumley  
Assistant  
Governor



## Events / Speakers

April 12th  
Humboldt County Grand Jury

**Speaker:** John Heckel

April 19th  
Club Meeting

**Speaker:** Greg Dale, Good Friday Shaker

April 26th  
Club Meeting

**Speaker:** Susan Buckley  
**Subject:** Public Health and Early Childhood Advocacy in Humboldt County

May 3rd  
Club Meeting

**Speaker:** Cindy Denbo  
**Subject:** Kentucky Derby & Mint Juleps

May 10th  
Club Meeting BBQ (Off-Site Meeting at C/R)

**Speaker:** Molly Blakemore  
**Subject:** College of the Redwoods Outreach & Marketing Manager

May 17th  
Club Meeting

**Speaker:** John Goff  
**Subject:** Endowment Presentation

May 24th  
Club Meeting

**Speaker:** Outbound Youth Ambassador  
**Subject:** Outbound

May 31st  
DARK - Steve Brodhag Golf Tournament

May 31st  
Stephen Brodhag Memorial Golf Tournament

June 6th  
Martinis by the Bay

June 7th  
Club Meeting  
**Speaker:** Bob Rogers, past



There were many guests on this first meeting of April including Chris Hulsey, Jack Sheppard and Meghan Smith all from the Humboldt County Office of Education. These educators were there to educate us on education; specifically the new program focusing on career opportunities in the trades. Other guests were William May, Cheryl Bastante and these guests like the first will have unnamed hosts as this writer was challenged by keeping up at the fast and furious pace of the guest introductions! I was able to note the regulars; **Mary Crumley** bringing "on her way to Spain Lizzy" and Victoria, **John and LizEnnis's** lovely granddaughter who has a better attendance record than many of our regular members! **Mike Dominick** brought his favorite employee, Matt Casagrande, who is interested in becoming a SW Rotarian

5130 District President,  
PolioPlus Update

June 14th

**Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** Outbound youth  
ambassador

June 21st

**Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** Sean McLaughlin  
**Subject:** Access Humboldt  
Executive Director

June 28th

**Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** Chuck and Eric  
Hollenbeck

**Subject:** Veterans  
Transition Training  
Assistance Program

July 5th

**DARK - 4th of July**  
**Weekend; No Club**  
**Meeting**

July 12th

**Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** Ken Singleton  
**Subject:** New President's  
First Meeting

July 19th

**Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** TBA

July 26th

**Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** USCG Captain  
Greg Fuller  
**Subject:** Commander  
Sector Humboldt Bay

August 2nd

**Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** Kathy Flamson  
**Subject:** 5130 District  
Governor

## Birthdays



Robert Palmrose  
April 11th



Meghann M  
Broadstock  
April 15th



Troy D. Vizenor  
April 27th



Marie Liscom  
April 28th



On the screen were shots of our 50th anniversary bash at the Ingomar and thanks again to **Liz Ennis** and all others who helped make the evening a great success!





Will Kay  
May 1st



Vinson Champ  
May 5th



Recognitions included a couple of birthdays, **Carl's Willoughby's** 76th who enjoyed a dinner at Larrupins.



Our Sheriff, **Billy Honsel** celebrated his 46th birthday. He graciously gave credit to the community effort to locate the girls from Benbow, but it was nice to see him as a spokesman on national TV in a positive story about Humboldt County!





**Cassandra Hesseltine** ponied up a few bucks for being on the radio with JB Mathers. Ken went to the highly acclaimed musical "Hamilton" in SF with his attractive wife and Eddie admitted he gets members names wrong occasionally. This is an excusable practice of Eddie's as he had a long career in the army and depended on the traditional last name embossed on his fellow soldier's uniforms to identify his military constituents!

Announcements of upcoming events included the 3rd annual Stephan Brodhag Golf Tournament which is almost full of teams and slated for May 31st as shared by **Mike Dominick**.



**Gary Ogle** gave us a Martinis update and a pitch for more sponsors for the June 6th event on the anniversary of D-Day in 1944.





Also, a feature film was presented with **Melinda Ciarabellini** with her new dolphin act which she is basing out of Puerto Vallarta Mexico. While they need more rehearsal it was still quite impressive!



The program presented by members of the Humboldt Office of Education focused on their Career opportunities prep program for high schoolers. Chris Hulsey introduced Jack Sheppard who explained how the program was working in partnership with many local companies such as O and M Industries, Maples Plumbing and many more who host trade seminars making high school kids aware of the many opportunities available in the trades. These occupational paths are very important as a way to counter and replace the many retiring members with the honorable skills necessary to be a trades person. Kudos to our local board of education and the companies involved in this great program!

## Southwest Eureka Rotary 50 Years of Service to the North Coast

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

MY WORD 50 Humboldt Times-Standard  
by Cindy Denbo

## Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka

Chicago. 1905. Paul Harris organizes the first Rotary club with four friends, rotating meeting sites among the Chicagoans' five offices. And with the shared desire to make Chicago a little better...Rotary was born.

Eureka. 1969. Members of the Rotary Club of Eureka become the charter members of a newly-formed club in Eureka. And with the shared desire to expand the potential for good works and a better community...the **Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka** was born.

Fifty years later, we celebrate our birthday: March 22, 1969. A lot has changed in those fifty years. We've moved from a six cent stamp to Snapchat...from the Pontiac Firebird to driverless cars...from Hair to Hamilton. The guiding principles that fuel our club♦indeed, all 33,000 Rotary clubs and their 1.2 million members who meet in more than 200 countries ♦have remained remarkably consistent and are distilled in one enduring motto: **Service Above Self.**

So, as we celebrate our Golden Jubilee this month, as we plan for our next fifty years...a reminder of who we are.

We are engineers, real estate professionals, CPAs.

We are librarians, fire fighters, educators.

We are dentists, aestheticians, auto dealers, engineers, financial professionals, law enforcement, oystermen.

We are business people, entrepreneurs, non-profit professionals, lawyers, public servants, health care providers.

We are master roasters. We are musicians. We are builders.

We are entering our vocations, in mid-career, changing jobs, retired. We are women and men, married and not, parents and grandparents, going-to-be parents and never-were parents. We are 35 years old, 55 years old, 75 years old, older. We are left, right, center and Green. We are Christian and Hindu, Muslim and Jewish, Sikh and none of the above.

We are seventy-seven Rotarians who come together for a pair of compelling reasons: First...we want to make our community better. And we do. For fifty years we have organized, collaborated, funded, provided materials and applied hands-on expertise to support projects that improve lives. From developing the Project Share Life bone marrow registry to building the Hikshari' Trail birdwatching platform, from spearheading the construction and expansion of St. Joseph Hospital's Evergreen Lodge to presenting Eureka's annual Veterans Day program, from providing scholarships for Zoe Barnum High School and College of the Redwoods students to giving dictionaries to 3rd grade students and grants to CR Law Enforcement Academy cadets♦we engage in our world.

Through that humanitarian engagement, we help those suffering from Lyme Disease. We donate medical supplies, ambulances, clean water devices to Mexican villages. We upgrade and improve park and recreational facilities in Carson and Highland parks and in Eureka soccer fields. We provide words and music collections to the Humboldt County Library. We provide food to hungry children and food to fragile seniors. We celebrate Eureka's status as one of the first designated U.S. Coast Guard cities by honoring the Coast Guard at our annual Appreciation Dinner. We foster international peace and understanding, health and welfare through our Youth Exchange Program and our Polio Plus support for world-wide polio eradication. And more. And more. And more.

Since 1969 hundreds of Southwest Eureka Rotarians have worked together♦realizing need, understanding the possible, applying the will and ability to make real change for the better.

The second reason we join and work together for that better world? We genuinely like each other. On a strong and vital foundation of different perspectives, backgrounds, and expertise we come together to build solid friendships. And really, especially in these over-heated times in which we live, that is remarkably special.

**The Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka.** Today we celebrate our history and take pride in beginning our next fifty years as an extraordinary resource for our local, national and international communities. As we head into our sixth decade, we thank the North Coast for nurturing the vision and the energy and the strength of its Rotarian sons and daughters. We thank the people of the North Coast for fifty years of generous support for our efforts. And we look forward to making the world better.

**It's what we do.**

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