

Rotary



Club of Redwood City

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Rotarians Sail on the Bay!

By Scott Schwartz on Tuesday, April 30, 2019



Recently Past President Scott Schwartz took Don Gibson and his wife Michelle sailing on the San Francisco Bay. They were joined by San Carlos Rotarian Steve Carlson. The four intrepid adventurers enjoyed an afternoon of sea spray and camaraderie.

Your District Governor's Message

By John McAfee on Friday, May 3, 2019

This month we celebrate Rotary Youth Services. Rotary believes in developing the next generation of leaders. Our programs help younger leaders build leadership skills, expand education, and learn the value of service. Whether you support Rotaract clubs, Interact clubs, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), Rotary Youth Exchange or New Generations Service Exchange, you are providing opportunities for the growth and development of our future leaders.

[Watch this video](#) to view a recap of the 2019 RYLA experience from the eyes of RYLA alumni now serving as counselors.

Don't miss some of our district events taking place this month:

- **May 5: Walk, Run or Ride to End Polio at Ryder Park in San Mateo.** [Download](#) your pledge form and join us to raise funds and awareness to eradicate Polio from the face of the earth. The recent outbreaks of measles remind us that continued vaccination and monitoring efforts are crucial to End Polio Now. And remember: every dollar you raise is matched 2:1 by the Gates Foundation!
- **May 17-19: Rotary 4-Way Fest (District Conference) at the Peppermill Resort in Reno, Nevada.** We're just two weeks away from joining Districts 5130, 5160, and 5190 for a truly inspirational weekend with world class keynote speakers, a hands-on service project, a myriad of breakout workshops, fun charitable events, pre-conference activities, music, dancing, and the list goes on. You do not want to miss this event! Registration closes this Sunday night, May 5. [Register at Rotary4WayFest.com](#)

Congratulations to the newly formed ROTARACT Club of San Francisco. [Follow this club on Facebook](#) to stay updated on their activities.

Finally, hearty congratulations to our District Rotarian of the Month for the month of April, [Cityjoon Hebel](#) with the Rotary Club of San Francisco Greater Mission.

Thank you for all that you do for your community and around the world through your Rotary service.

Jayne Hulbert
Rotary Club of Marin Evening
District 5150 Governor 2018 - 2019

County Manager Mike Callagy Speaks to Rotary

By Rosemary Eng on Thursday, March 28, 2019

San Mateo County manager Mike Callagy gave an informal state of the county address April 2, telling Redwood City Rotarians that they are part of the wealthiest county in the state with \$220 billion in assessed property values, that they are second healthiest (after Marin), but are also in one of the fastest aging California counties.

Sixty per cent of properties are still under Proposition 13, he said, with people aging in place. The

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median sale price of homes is about \$1.4 million and the median price of rents is about \$3,400. The county's \$3 billion budget is based on property taxes and sales tax. We need a balance between jobs and housing," said Callagy. With too little available housing and unaffordable housing, businesses can't find people to work. People edged out of the housing market are spending three hours a day commuting round-trip. That's not sustainable, folks," Callagy said. The social impact is that people can't be home with their kids if they are commuting all the time.

The county has 2,600 units of affordable housing. One hundred units of affordable housing are starting to take shape in North Fair Oaks. "People are leaving the county because they can't afford to live here," he said, and better transportation has to be part of the solution. The county is working with Dumbarton Rail Corridor planning. (Community newspapers report San Mateo County Transit District, SamTrans, and [Cross Bay Transit Partners](#) CBTP are discussing a transit line on the defunct Dumbarton Rail Corridor, connecting the East Bay and the Peninsula.) "The county promotes vanpooling," Callagy said, "anything to reduce traffic congestion."

He looks forward to electrification of Cal Train with grade separation which would allow more and longer trains. Trains arriving every six minutes would be "real transportation," he said. He reported the first phase of Stanford|Redwood City opened with the Redwood City campus being built to accommodate 2,700 staff members. A new County Office Building and 1100-stall parking structure are going to be built at County Center.

He said not to forget the county's "wonderful parks and beaches," with plans to develop access and amenities for Tunitas Creek Beach on Highway 1. "There are hundreds of miles of trails."

Callagy became county manager in November, after being assistant county manager. He spent 29 years with the San Mateo Police Department.

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