



# EASTWIND

The Newsletter for Santa Rosa East Rotary  
The Crown Jewel of District 5130

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## Sunshine Report

**RogersB** reported that although there was a lack of sun – everybody was OI and smiling . . .then he recited the best of his internet humor for the week. The main characters were members of the clergy standing by the road with signs proclaiming “Turn around, The end is near.” Seemed pretty funny but there was more – something about a bridge being out (not the dental kind). Get it? Nudge, nudge, wink, wink.

## FINES FINES FINES

After a well deserved Social 7 **PretendPres MikeR** went work to work filling the coffers. Not many Bdays or Anniv this week – **BradTaylor** said he spent his bday drinking and trap shooting! Didn't Dick Cheney get into trouble doing that?) \$20, **RickWms** celebrated in the wilds of Willits with his four kids and their families – he received a flatulence machine with a remote control so he can enjoy his flatulence without standing up. \$35 **HAPPY DOLLAR\$ - JeanChir** not sure If she was paying because Mike's bro visited or because he (finally) left. **JoanGerm** visited her grandkids in Colo and tried to skate on a trip fine for just \$2 – nice try! **AnnMcG** with reminder of 10/28 Wine Welcome, she says there is limited capacity which would suggest she's forgotten how much Rotarians can drink. Under questionable circumstances, **PretendPresMike** chose the marble, we were all happy it wasn't the \$946 white marble. He opted for the free lunch black marble. Once again – the dashing **CarlVallejos** got the wine.

It was a cold and rainy day. How cold and rainy? So cold & rainy that the unidentical twins **DSepp and DougWay(to go)Man** were wearing long pants! **PresJohn** is in Africa and **MikeRob** isn't so he got to play 'Prez for a Day' which included a subtle Cal jacked and signature Rotary Hawaiian Shirt. We pledged, we ate we met our visitors who included **Fred Levin SR Downtown, Bob Hirsch & Jeff Boah from Sebastopol** and the guests today **Mike Chirhart, Cynthia Stringer and the speaker David Dale.**



## Inspiration Music by Larry

We all expected “Rain Drops Keeps Falling On My Head” or at least “Stormy Weather” but instead Larry invoked the Divine with “God Bless America.” We need a more comprehensive songbook!

## Announcements:

- The annual Vet's Day Luncheon is coming up on Thursday, Nov 5 at the Vet's Bldg in SR. **DanDrum** and **TCroft** have the details and the tix. You can buy them this week at \$15 each – buy one for yourself and treat a Vet to lunch as well. You buy the ticket we'll find the veteran. **LLira** is excited about the Foundation Dinner on the 14<sup>th</sup> – he's selling raffle tix that count toward your Paul Harris – bell ringing purchasers this week: **JeanChir, AnnMcG, RickWms, GeoBatch, MLira (x2) & LLira (x2).** **PretendPresMike** announced that worldwide Rotarians will be gathering in Montreal in June – remember the dollar is still strong there! We pause now for a commercial message: **FredLevin** invites us to the downtown club's fundraiser “Denims & Diamonds” October 24 at Vets Building. Next our “President in Waiting” **KimMcD** asked for volunteers for our Roaring 20's themed Fundraiser slated for March 27 at a location TBD.

## Program Notes

Our speaker was **David Dale** who is the President of an international company called **Golfplan** – you now have three seconds to figure out what they do. 3...2...1 – you're right, they develop golf courses literally all over the world. Dave's power point showed as examples of courses they have designed and build for clients located in diverse geographic areas ranging from the South of France, to South Africa, Korea to China, Finland to India. And David's office is here in Sonoma County! You just never know what you'll find in our local area. Very interesting and unique presentation that also addressed how golf course design now incorporates best practices sensitive to the environment and how they try to maintain native plant species in the design. He also showed us in his presentation how they start with a piece of property, then using photoshop how they determine the layout and then finally the finished product. The only people who wouldn't like the presentation are those whose colorblindness eliminates the color green. If you'd like more information or just want to see some great looking golf courses – go to [www.golfplan.com](http://www.golfplan.com).

**One more reminder** – we are **DARK** on November 3 – Special **Vet's Day Lunch** on **Thursday, November 5**. And, as cooler weather approaches remember the words of Henry Ford who said: "Chop your own wood, it will warm you twice."