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

Sunshine Report

Rogers reported that **GeoPayne** is enjoying some R & R and working on his tan in the islands. We think he meant Hawaii and not the Farallons! **Rogers** limited his humorous musings to an internet cartoon and a story about odd & even parking in the snow. Are you laughing yet – join the crowd.

Salute + Song

Bob Bailey directed our attention to the flag and then the **Lira's** lyrical stylings led us in *God Bless America*. Whatta voice **Marilyn** has—Larry wisely stayed in the background. **NOTICE** how much younger **PresDan**

looked before he became President 🙌



THIS 'N' THAT

PresDan read a couple of thank-yous that we have received reminder the Internat'l Party...er I mean Rotary Convention is in England this year in the lovely month of June. Thanks to our hostess with the mostess **PhyllisRib** the annual all you can crack, Crab Feed is March 11 @ Wild Oak Saddle Club. **Auction Activity** the rush to the finish line is on – get your tickets now, get your donations in now and **be there** Feb 28 for fun, wine, chocolate, cigars, fun, auctions and see what your fellow Rotarians will do to earn their Mardi Gras beads (Hope you can get that picture out of your head before dinner!) By the way for your safety we will be protected by the private security force of Messrs **Deadeye DougWayman** and **Jack the Adjuster Rittenhouse**. What a relief that is. **We're giving**

it away – money that is, donations distributed to the **SR Quilt Guild** who have distributed over 9100 quilts since 1984 (that's a lot of thimbles) and also to the **Safe School Ambassadors** helping our kids cope!! OK – hold your wallet it's time for **DOLLAR DIVING** – **HapCulp** took a trek to the Amazon, Machu Pichu & Galapagos Islands. We thought he'd bring back a turtle, but instead a blow gun for **PresDan**. He rang 📞 from a safe distance. **KenCarr** admitted to a b'day on 2/12 shared with a Mr. Lincoln (and Charles Darwin) – evolved into a 📞-ringer. **ArtWilson** celebrated Joan's b'day with dinner at LaGare and a nice donation for the club. **PresDan** took Debbie to LVegas for 5th Anniv on 2/14 – saw Donny & Marie in concert and nearly knocked Donny over trying to meet Marie and they have the pix to prove it! Time for our Not So Random Drawing – **SOrmerod** – **double winner** – free lunch and wine! (Second time for this strange coincidence)

Program Notes

Thanks to the Prince of Poker – **AndySchexetc** – terrific program today with speaker **Noel Schmidt** brought to fruition a very innovative project called Patchworks Farm which he described as 'place based education.' The goal is to encourage high school age students to try their hand at building a sustainable future for themselves and their (hopefully future) children. Schools participating include Cardinal Newman, Ursuline, Village Charter and the Arts and Ethics Academy. Additional support comes from "Worth our Weight", "Angela Center" and "Earth Bridge". They are concerned with the issues of localizing our food, energy, water usage and shelter. Patchworks Farm is under the umbrella of a non-profit called *Community Service Learning Connection*. What can we do?? Thanks for asking, you can purchase a share of the farm for just \$150 and that entitles you to a share of the harvest in the late Spring (sounds like a more reliable investment than the stock market these days!).

For more information visit www.patchworksfarm.org or email to patchworksfarm@yahoo.com.
Thanks **Andy** very nice program !!

DON'T FORGET THE FUNDRAISER – MARDI GRAS FUN WITHOUT FLYING – FEB 28

Laissez les bons temps rouler!

And finally the quote of the week for our card playing friends: "If you're playing poker and you look around the table and can't figure out who the sucker is – it's you." (Paul Newman)