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Meeting Of The Rotary Club Of Eureka
July 22, 2013

Lunch: Fried chicken, pot roast, mashed potatoes and carrot cake.
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The meeting was called to order by President Ziggy on a gorgeous July day, three minutes late.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by me.



The invocation as led by Past President Carlton Nielsen.

Mindy Bussman and Steve Lafferty are selling raffle tickets for Backpacks for Kids. \$10 each or 12 for \$100. The prize is a \$3,500 travel gift certificate from Dalianes Travel! Second prize is a \$500 gift certificate to Pierson's Building Center. The drawing will be on August 30. Please contact Mindy or Steve for a ticket.



The order form can also be found along the right and side of the Burl blog.



President Elect, Gregg Gardiner, made a great airplane joke. He must have read last week's Burl and worked on some new material! He also gave an update on the Winship Middle School field project. Trenches for irrigation lines have been dug, SWOP crews have been moving brush, and sand has been delivered. As the project price tag continues to climb, sponsors have been stepping up. There is a work crew this weekend at the school. President Elect Gardiner thanks everyone for their help and

support.

FUN FACT: The Elk's Lodge has a disco ball.

Lisa Corral visited our club, and is a prospective member.

Jim Sieler of Fortuna Rotary visited as well.

Maria Castillo visited our club as a guest of Mike Cunningham. Bruce Smith's cousin from Prague attended as well. Jeff Leonard suffered a short joke in introducing outbound exchange student, Ashley Bott.



Birthdays and Anniversaries are in the book, congratulations to all.

Past President Nielsen gave a historical brief on our Rotary Club from the 1940s. Plenty of past presents have their descendants in the club, and despite WWII, there was good attendance and excellent programs. Fines were raised in 1944 from \$.25 to \$1.00. The Spengler Youth Raffle began in the 1940s.

Stacy Lane returned from a vacation in Peru and Ecuador, which consisted primarily of retired ladies. \$50



Past President Dennis Hunter is retired, after a long tenure as VP of Marketing for Coast Central Credit Union. Fishing, attending Giants games, and having fun cost him \$50.

Past President Don Leonard spent three weeks at Black Butte Ranch in Oregon. \$50



GAMBLING INTERLUDE (Spengler Raffle benefiting the Humboldt County Science Fair) \$10 to Steve Allen and \$10 to Walt Shimasaki.



Matthew Owen introduced our guest today, Casey Allen. Casey is the head of the [Humboldt Area Saltwater Anglers Association](#), attempting to build a reef locally. He was wearing a collared shirt covered with pictures of rockfish. Very appropriate.

The site for the proposed reef is about a mile off the jetty. They anticipate using about 2000 triangular reef modules which they would drop in clusters to encourage habit.

Saltwater sport fishing is a \$3 billion dollar a year business in California.

The regulatory issues are daunting, but they have hired an environmental consultant to help them navigate the regulatory process.

The Department of Fish and Wildlife does not have a dedicated staffer for the project, but Casey is hopeful they will be able to get the project through despite this.

HSU has an environmental impact class helping with the research. They estimate it will be six more years before the project is completed on the current timeline.

Casey estimates that the cost of the project will be.....he never actually gave a number, but it should like it could be several million dollars.

There is some concern that the structures might be sanded in, but there's reasonable scientific evidence that the site they have chosen will not cause any meaningful problems.



HASA is an incorporated non-profit and you can look them up online at the [Humboldt Tuna Club](#) discussion board.

The guest was thanked, the library book was signed, and my last meeting as a member of this club ended early. It's been a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,
John Harper