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Future Speakers

Sep 9 2008

Jennifer Baker
"St. Helena Library"

Sep 16 2008

Don Fulton
"The Reluctant Warrior"

Sep 23 2008

Jamie Graff
"Nimbus Arts "

Sep 30 2008

Ray Manzarek, of The Doors
"The Seduction Of Rock & Roll.
The joys & the dangers."

Oct 7 2008

Catharine Bramkamp

Oct 14 2008

Richard Williams
"Who Needs A Conductor?"

Oct 21 2008

Lois Swanson
"Womens' Opportunity Fund"

Oct 28 2008

JoAline Olsen/Elaine John
"St. Helena Hospital's Master
Plan"

Dec 9 2008

DARK

Feb 12 2009

Valentine Celebration
"Sweetheart Lunch"

Jun 25 2009

DEBUNKING

District Governor Wows St. Helena Rotarians

by Ernst, Doug

District Governor Ed Fullerton learned early in life not to be discouraged by others who told him his goals were too lofty. When he was 16, shortly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, his high school counselor told him that his goal of becoming a fighter pilot was not realistic, and that he should pursue something else in life.



Not only did Ed earn an aeronautics degree, he also became a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps, and -- at the age of 21 -- a fighter pilot. Later, he became a leading pilot and captain for Pan Am, working as chief pilot in New York and 13 years in Berlin.

Now, as Governor of Rotary District 5130, Fullerton has announced his new goal, to help fellow Rotarians reduce childhood mortality throughout the world. It would be a mistake to discourage him, as he talks to clubs throughout the district about teamwork, leadership and respect.



At the Sept. 2 luncheon meeting of the St. Helena Rotary Club -- his 27th club visit during his 2008-09 term as District Governor -- Fullerton made it clear that saving young lives is a reachable goal, in much the same way as Rotary International's goal of eliminating polio from the face of the earth is finally within reach.

As president of the Petaluma Rotary Club, Fullerton reminded fellow Rotarians to encourage young people to follow their dreams and set lofty goals.

"Children are talked out of their dreams by adults," he warned. "Never tell somebody else they can't do something."



He met his wife **Carol** while working as a flight instructor in Texas. They were married within three months. Today their four kids have made them grandparents eight times, with twins on the way.

Saving the lives of children is a major Rotary International goal this year. Fullerton said 30,000 children under the age of 5 die every day in the world due to preventable causes such as pneumonia, diarrhea and malaria. He'd like District 5130 to help reduce that number by 4,000 kids each day. Simply providing clean water and mosquito nets to various communities throughout the world can reduce childhood mortality by as much as 70 percent, he said.

Before you say it can't be done, remember that Rotary International has cut the number of polio cases worldwide from 350,000 a year to just 1,000 cases per year, in four countries: Pakistan, Afghanistan, Northern India and Nigeria. With the help of the World Health Organization, the Center for Disease Control and UNICEF, Fullerton said it is likely polio will be eradicated thanks to the combined efforts of Rotarians worldwide. The effort has been given a boost by Bill and Melinda Gates, whose \$100 million challenge grant should be matched by Rotarians worldwide.

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Because District 5130 is still \$40,000 to \$50,000 short of its goal, Rotarians will be asked to increase their annual contributions by 2012-13 to \$200 per member. This year's goal is \$150 per member.

Fullerton also endorsed **Rotary International President Dong Kurn Lee's** goal of achieving a 10 percent increase in membership this year.

Do you know this without looking?

by Gene Armstead

The Four-Way Test

The test, which has been translated into more than 100 languages, asks the following questions:

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?