

the Foghorn

April 8, 2010

GSE - 2010

Everyone's Italian!

We were honored with a visit from the incoming **GSE team** from Northeastern Italy. What a lovely group of young people! They are from District 2060, and shortly before they arrived in Half Moon Bay they had an eleven hour flight from Venice to SFO.

The Team Leader, **Diego Vianello** is one of the youngest members of the Rotary Club of Venice, which was founded in 1924 and has more than one hundred members. He joined the Club in 2004, after being a Rotaractor for more than ten years. He was born and raised in Venice, and graduated in Law, Master in Diplomacy and International Functions. Diego is the CEO of a company which manages buildings in Venice, including a fourteenth century Palazzo, where he organizes parties, meetings, concerts and contemporary art exhibitions. Diego showed us pictures of his home and garden, which has been flooded due to the sinking and water problems in Venice, which the City is trying to fix at great cost.

Filippo Zanella, from Treviso, studied engineering and received a Master Degree in Automation Engineering from the University of Padua cum laude. He is also working on a Ph.D. at the Department of Information Engineering at the University of Padua. Filippo has long been a Rotaractor, and was a Delegate of International Action of RAC District 2060 during the year 2007 and 2008. He is a professional athlete in fencing and is an adviser to the Fencing Club of Montebelluna.

Monica Polli, was born in Venice in 1982, and is currently a Senior Consultant at Ernst & Young. She has a Business Degree in Marketing and Communication from Venice University. Monica is involved in many projects related to Technology Risk Management in the financial sector, dealing with national and international banks and insurance companies. She likes traveling, movies, cooking, surfing the internet, playing with her dog and participating in her Rotaract Club.

Francesca Mariotto is an Executive Secretary who lives in a village near Conegliano, about 60 kilometers from Venice. She studied English and Spanish at the University of Padua as part of her degree in languages and cultures. She now works in a company that manufactures espresso coffee machines. She enjoys listening to music, and dancing, as well as swimming, travelling, and meeting people from other

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Calendar

April 15

SSE: Linda

Past Prez in Attd: Bonnie

Program: Frank Keillor: Discourse3
on watches & their history

April 22

SSE: Joy

Past Prez in Attd: Greg

Program: Shop Talk: Charise

April 29

SSE: Ralph

Past Prez in Attd: Ginger

Program: Steve Karlin: Wildlife As
sociates

... the Staff:

• **Program Notes:** EP

• **Announcements:** Patricia

• **Photos:** Rose

Meeting notes

Pledge: Joy



Invocation: Ralph



Visiting Rotarians:

Dave Bertini, Pacifica,



Laura Guluzzy, Foster City



Guests of Rotarians:

- Robin hosted Freda



- Bill Johnston hosted Ayn,



- Stacy hosted Doug,



- Ginger hosted Geena St. Andrew and Lorena Albornoz.



- Dave D hosted his daughter Drusia, a recent Stanford grad.



Notes/Fellowship/Good News:

- Charise's grandchild, having spent 75 days in hospital, is now home.



- Laura: Thanks for participating in the Senior Day Care Book Fair. Night at the Opera, she will be cooking an Italian meal. Its black tie or no tie, Friday, May 21 at Belmont's Twin Pine.



- Jean: coastside Womens' Club is having its annual fundraiser April 24th. Tickets are \$75.



- Ginger will be gone for the next couple of weeks; she'll be visiting Turkey.



- Robin: Please add your bit to the sign-up sheet for the party Saturday, 4/10/10 so we can get organized.



- John: We're looking for a pianist for the party at Jeffs.
- Fred and Karen thank everyone for all your prayers, hot dinners and good wishes.



- EJ: Coastside Hope is looking for new Board Members.



Calendar:

- 4/8-11/10 Italian GSE team in HMB
- 4/10/10 GSE team potluck party
- 4/16,17/10 District Conference in SF
- 4/16,17/10 Fr. Simone will be passing back through HMB.
- 4/24/10 Coastside Womens' Club fundraiser
- 4/24/10 Rotary at Work day
- 4/24/10 Pacific Club 50th anniversary fundraiser 7:pm

Easter Egg Hunt. John

T reports: Six Rotarians and some spouses attended the Easter Egg Hunt. Participants were divided into age groups to find 1500 eggs as well as gold coins. We began at noon and were finished by 12:04p.



R@R: Kevin

Rotary at the Ritz, our signature event, was a success in 2010 Shall we plan for it in 2011 or are there other ideas?



Calendar: Wednesday RotaCare Chuckwagon Crew:

- 4/14/10 Rose Serdy
- 4/21/10 B/H Hayes
- 4/28/10 Steve Anderson
- 4/7/10 D/H Bodman

countries. She is also an adviser to the Rotaract Club of Conegliano. Francesca is from the area of Italy where Prosecco is produced, and she was happy to tell us about the recent addition to her family, a nephew born to her brother and sister in law.

Carolotta Casotto lives in a small town near Padua and has a degree in French and German from the University of Padua. She has been working for two years as a tour guide for different travel agencies in the district, which includes charming natural landscapes, historical and cultural sights and many activities both indoors and outdoors. Carlotta intends to get a Masters Degree in Tourism Management, and she enjoys music, reading, swimming and spending time with friends. She spent two years in Germany and has travelled extensively in Europe.

GSE - random shots

