## Arden Arcade

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Pledge by Al Cady Invocation By Al Cady

Guests: From the Children's Home of Sacramento: Dottie Linden, David Ballard, Tanya and . Bill Hambrick also introduced visitor, Allyson Conwell, a fellow ultra runner. Joe Green introduced Ben Fox and his wife and Bruce introduced his daughter Maura. Steve introduced our speaker, Dan Spector.

Al Cady reminded us about Legacy of Giving and Bequests. Al pointed out you can use IRAs, Insurance Policies and other means to fund a Bequest. You can name RI in your will or trust and you can also name The Arden Arcade Foundation.

John Gabriel inducted Ben Fox as the newest member of Arden Arcade Rotary. John reminded Ben that today he joined Rotary, but to become a Rotarian he has to become involved. John was joined by Joe Green, our membership chair and Ben's wife. John reminded Ben he now belongs to one of 34,000 Rotary Clubs worldwide and is welcome in all of them. He also reminded Ben that people will know him by how he conducts himself as a Rotarian. John reminded Ben and all of us about the unbelievable power of Rotary and all the good Rotarians do throughout the world. John also reminded Ben that with membership comes responsibilities like meeting attendance, committee involvement, community service and friendship. Welcome, Ben Fox, to Arden Arcade Rotary!

Carroll Cook and Michael Caplan were both late and were fined! Carroll also reminded us about the coat drive for Dyer Kelly and it was decided their fines would go to the "coat fund".

Danny updated us on the Pasta Feed and said everything went well and it was the best one yet. He wanted to thank Rotary and several members who were very supportive and helpful. He also thanked Jeri for her help in her capacity with SCIP. It was also pointed out that Paul King won the big door prize and he contributed \$20.

Matt ross won the raffle prize of \$420 at the Rotary Foundation dinner and became a triple Bell Ringer! Steve thanked those who joined him at the Foundation dinner and said we were awarded the \$100 per member 100% banner.

Bruce Stimson also became a Bell Ringer because he was able to have lunch with his daughter and because he and Nancy are celebrating 38 years of marriage.

Maura was presented a gift certificate to Ruth Cris for all her efforts on behalf of the Poker Tournament.



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**RAFFLE** 

Small Pot \$202—Gary Johnson had the number but didn't pull the ace of spades!

Large Pot—\$336—Stan Nicolaus had the number but didn't pull the ace of spades!



Jeri introduced the members of the Children's Receiving Home of Sacramento; Dottie Linden, Dave Ballard, Diana Berry, and Tanya, and presented them with the proceeds of the Petersen Cup—a check for \$16,116. She updated the history of the golf tournament by saying this is the 9th and final year. The tournament was started after her husband, Sam's death as a way to honor him and the 2 charities he believed so strongly in: Rotary and CRHS.

Bruce Stimson introduced our speaker, Dan Spector, the chair of the US Senior Open last June at Del Paso. Bruce particularly thanked him for choosing First Tee as the charity to support. Dan said first of all he's no longer the chair of the US Senior Open but it was a wonderful experience. He also said for the 3 years leading up to the open he spoke at many Rotary meetings and ours was his favorite! He thanked Gary Johnson for his major support.

While he was President of Del Paso, Dan started thinking of ways to lessen the pain from the economic downturn at Del Paso. The legacy of Del Paso is that they are second in hosting more USGA tournaments than any other club throughout the US. Only the Olympic Club has hosted more. Del Paso is nearing 100 years old and the hope was to strengthen the brand. The success of the tournament was remarkable—the condition of the golf course was phenomenal, the greens were superior to Augusta. The players raved about the course and the tournament. And also raved about Sacramento.

It took a long term commitment from the members of Del Paso to make this tournament take place. The course was closed to members for 2 years. This also took place in the middle of our historic draught. Technology was put in place to get maximum benefit from the least amount of water.

The First Tees volunteers were phenomenal. They were told a smile on your face helps put a smile on the others' face and it worked! The Del Paso brand was strengthened by their presence. There is no doubt that Del Paso can host a major championship.

They had hoped to raise \$8,000,000, but it will be closer to 20-25 million. The entire community gained from the exposure as well as the influx of visitors. Many of the golfers brought entire families to have a California vacation.

The television coverage was great and showed off our community well. It showed Sacramento to be a welcoming community.

This was the first time the USGA has allowed the host club to designate a single beneficiary. Dan said that First Tee's mission lines up well with Del Paso's mission and they thought using First Tee would be a benefit to Sacramento. First Tee is a nationwide organization based on Say Golf which started in Sacramento. First Tee made \$100,000 by providing over 1000 volunteers.

In the clubhouse, "Farm to Fork" was the fare which also brought recognition to Sacramento as that is what we are becoming known as the "Farm to Fork" town.

Members from the Champions Tour flew out to Sacramento during the tournament and they are

In discussion with the City/County to do an annual event in Sacramento (not necessarily at Del Paso. The First Tee could continue to benefit because the PGA only donates to the Local First Tee.



Dan was moved by the passion showed by the volunteers. He say CEOs of companies doing tasks tney would never do in their normal lives and doing it willingly and with smiles on their faces. He felt the relationship they had built with the fire and police helped them from having any "Oh S\_\_\_" moments The biggest challenge was the weather (104-106) until it broke for Saturday and Sunday and was beautiful. Thank you, Dan, for a great presentation!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

November17th—Children's Crisis Nursery
December 5th, Christmas Murder Mystery Dinner Party
December 8th—Laurel Ruff Holiday Party



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Dave Ballard



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REX



Ben Fox and wife



John Gabriel inducting Ben



New Member, Ben Fox



Induction



Ben, his wife, Joe and Steve



Congratulations!



Dan Spector



Dan & Steve