

# Arden Arcade

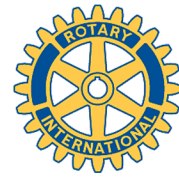
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Guests: Jessica Fielding who works with the SCIP grant funding arm at Swanston Park; Austin who is an intern at Rob Ford's office from Cornell; and Caleb Green (Joe's middle child) in his baseball uniform.

Thank you **Carroll and Karen Cook** for hosting a lovely dinner party Saturday night featuring **Michael Caplan's** famous paella! Jeri is off to Washington knowing we all appreciate her service to Rotary and will miss her!

**CAR SHOW**—on June 14th, Arden Arcade Rotary will sponsor a car show in front of Ruth Chris at our regular meeting—cars start at 11:00. We'll have hamburgers and hot dogs and steak sandwiches and show off some members amazing cars as well as invited friend's cars. George Prather is rumored to be bringing his 1550 horsepower, rear engine dragster! Steve has a friend bringing a 1903 Oldsmobile. Sounds like a lot of other very interesting cars will be there too! The show is free, lunch will be charged for members and guests! Member's bring their cars need to have them at Ruth Chris by 10am.

On June 25th at Al Cady's abode (3510 Dutch Way, Carmichael) TACOS, TABLES & TRASH, the **Demotion** of President Steve Turner will take place. More details to come— save the date!

**Fireside Chats** are being organized at members homes. It is mandatory members attend one of them. Thank you Cathy Skeen for hosting the first one. **Tomorrow, June 8th, at Al Cady's is postponed.** June 22nd at Patt McCormick's home...1120 Commons Drive (Campus Commons.) This is an important meeting for every member to attend to help Paul organize his presidential year.

Danny announced our first softball game was last night. They instituted a 5 run an inning cap so we only beat Roseville 14-11. Joe Green has been nicknamed "Fly Paper" because nothing gets past him! Danny received a running exhibition from Joe's son Caleb because he almost knocked his teeth out running from 2nd to 3rd last night. Softball cards were available showing games & times.

Today is Ed Crutchley's birthday (but he's not here) and Pastor Earl's birthday was Sunday so we sang Happy Birthday to him.



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Club President

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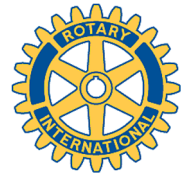
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**RAFFLE**  
**No Raffle Today**



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Prez Steve announced that the District match money for the van has come in-YAY!

Roy Vogel is on his trip in Mexico to bring the boat back to San Diego and Al Cady is on board (to help?) and texted Prez Steve that they were surrounded by whales!

Prez Steve presented a "Raffle Meister" hat to Paul for his great raffle mastering job.

Tom is authorized to negotiate with Piatti's for our new lunch location. More info soon.

Anyone find Mike Grace's glasses at last week's meeting? If so, please call him.

Happy Bucks: Larry gave happy bucks because George took too much time explaining something. Stuart gave happy bucks because he celebrated his 50th birthday 2 weeks ago. Mike Grace gave happy bucks because he went camping with his son and watched him land an 18" German brown that was amazing and beautiful in the Little Truckee River. They let it go back. George Prather gave happy bucks because over Memorial Day he raced his car at 206 miles per hour and did a 1/2 mile in 6.46 seconds! Joe Green gave happy bucks because his baseball little leaguers are entering the Tournament of Champions and then on to All Stars. Joe says it costs \$250 per player to play in the All Stars, so we raised some cash to help Caleb out.

Steve introduced our guest speaker, James Applegate (and Odem his dog) from the DEA. James was in law enforcement for 18 years and then 15 with the Sheriff Department. He went to the El Dorado District Attorney's Office to work with Odem and drug investigations. Odem has been with him 3 years and is 8 1/2 years old. He is trained only for drugs of all kinds, not for protection. He can search people, bags, cars, homes or buildings. Odem has a great reputation.

The main thing James and Odem work on is the money coming into the Sacramento Airport from drugs being sold elsewhere. California produces very high quality drugs (marijuana) and sells it all over the country. The money comes in in all manner of transportation—air, UPS, Fed EX, and by ship. James and Odem focus on the Sacramento Airport and realize lots of money still gets through. They work mostly on tips from airline representatives but also on instinct. Once they stop a person suspected of carrying a large sum of cash, they walk up and identify themselves and ask a few easy questions like where did you fly in from, how long are you staying. Usually they will say they're following up on a TSA question. In asking just a few questions (they already know the answers from research into the tip) James is able to catch them in a lie and be suspicious enough to seize their property for a search. If they find a large amount of cash and suspect it is "drug money" they will seize it but the person is able to reclaim it if they can prove it is for a legal purpose. If Odem "alerts" on the money, they know it is associated with drugs.

Lots of people like to say the cash is from being a stripper or an entertainer, but if Odem alerts on it it is hard for them to deny its association with drugs. Seized money (unless reclaimed by the person because it is not drug money) is split between the agencies working on enforcement and used to help train and retain officers. In one 7-8 month period this amounted to \$200,000 going to the El Dorado County District Attorney's Office. James is loaned from there to the DEA, so the money went to his placement.

Fed EX, UPS and others use the same method to check bags and parcels. To train the dogs they use a cotton ball soaked with the smell of drugs and hide them for the dogs to find them. Once Odem did a demonstration for us and found the drugs, he was rewarded with a ball. Larry asked how do you teach a dog to be so excited about a ball?

James said there are dogs that are praise driven, ones that are food driven and ones that are toy driven. James was asked about the quality of drugs coming from overseas. James said the drugs from China are iffy—you never know what you're going to get. Ordering on line is also very sketchy. What is the largest amount of drugs and money you have seized? James says at one time a million and a half was seized in a shipping container and \$800,000 was seized at a home. 10 kilos of cocaine and 4 kilos of heroin we also seized. One ounce of cocaine is worth about \$1100. There are 2.2 pounds in a kilo.

James was asked about TSA using more dogs. He said the TSA and Drug Enforcement don't necessarily get along. Howard asked if he was stopped at the airport would he half to speak to the agent. James said no, but they have ways to get people to talk to them. Even if someone refuses to talk to them but they've gotten a tip and have checked the background to see it is possible they can still seize the bag and wait for a warrant to open it. Thank you James and Odem for an enlightening presentation!

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**June 14<sup>th</sup>** This is our **Clubs Car Show!** Lets bring in all the cool cars and toys we have to show and share this California Centric Car Culture with our fellow members and visitors. We will be in the parking lot and frontage road. Ruth Chris is doing up a special Car Show BBQ menu for us.

**June 21<sup>st</sup>** Our Meetings presenter is scheduled to be John Wheat, the Director of Airports for Sacramento County. John will be talking about the investment and flight services that have been helping make our Sacramento Valley a stronger economic power in California.

**June 28<sup>th</sup>** Our Meetings presenter is scheduled to be Chief Brian Estes of Cal Fire. Deputy Chief Estes runs the Amador Eldorado Unit of Cal Fire and will be giving us an overview of our State's wildfire problem.

**Softball:** It's that time of year again! On Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> our Arden Arcade Rotary Softball team will be kicking off the season with their first game at 8:30pm. Come to play, or to cheer! Either way we want you here!

When: Every Monday at 6:30, 7:30, or 8:30.

June 6 - 8:30pm, June 13- 7:30pm, June 20- 6:30pm, June 27- 8:30pm, July 11- 6:30pm, July 18- 6:30 & 7:30pm, July 25- 6:30

August 1- Playoff Round One 6:30&7:30pm, August 8- Playoff Round Two 8:30pm

Where: Sacramento Softball Complex: 3450 Longview Dr.



Goodbye, Jeri!



Michael's Paella



Good friend and conversation!



Joe and son Caleb



James and Odem



Rafflemeister Paul