

# Arden Arcade

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Pledge by Sandy Zales

Invocation By Paul King

Guests: Alicia (Al's girlfriend), Duane Oliveira, past president of Benicia Rotary, Jennifer Kurtsinger, Peggy DiNocco and their dogs, Charlena and Felice. Welcome to Lee Burkhouse—we haven't seen you in a while!!

Al reminded Steve that he needs to email Al with information about induction of new members so Al can have the paperwork ready.

Steve reminded everyone on light attendance days to fill up the front tables first and not spread around so much.

Stan Nicolaus shared that he had very successful orthoscopic knee surgery and recommends it to those who need it. He became a Bell Ringer after reminding us that we used to call it an "Outrigger", because he just celebrated 50 years in Rotary in June. He joined Rotary at 28 years old when he had a lot more hair!

Steve called Jeri Petersen, Danny Curtola and Michael Grace up to the front to congratulate them on the \$25,000 District Grant for the Rotary Van being accepted. Matt Ross was integral in working with Carmichael Rotary and Point West Rotary to make this happen. The van will help at-risk youth be transported to events. The Park District will be responsible for the insurance and drivers. Lee Burkhouse offered to train some at-risk youth at his automotive repair shop as part of the grant. Thank you, Lee!

Joel's Demotion has finally been set for Friday, August 28th—a 4pm Pub Crawl (optional) and then Dinner and Roast on the Delta King in Old Sacramento. Cost is \$40 per person. Sign-ups to follow.

Bill wanted to thank his helper's with Saturday Night's Fulton Ave Cruise—Leigh Rutledge, Peter Panton, Tim Cahill, Paul King and Joel and Amanda. It was very hot but a great turnout.

First Tee of Sacramento sent a nice Thank You for the donation of \$2005 that was made from the lunch meeting at the Zoom tent at the Senior Open.

Steve raffled off 2 tickets to Jackson Browne Friday Night in Tahoe—Christine paid \$65 for them and it went to the club. Thanks Christine.

Jeri explained how the Petersen Cup came about. Sam Petersen passed away in 2007 (9 years ago—amazing!). Sam was a past president of Arden Arcade and became involved with the Sacramento Children's



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Attendance: Jed Van Wagner

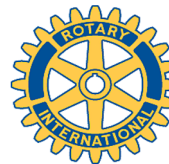
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## RAFFLE

**1st Pot \$240—Christine  
Hock won \$5 but did not  
pull the Ace!**

**2nd Pot- \$455—  
Peter Panton won \$5 but  
did not pull the Ace!**



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Receiving Home through the clubs partnerships with them. Sam and Jeri owned the Sacramento Brewing Company at the time of his death, and one of their Pub Club members who also liked to golf suggested they do a fun golf tournament in Sam's name. With 8-12 volunteers, they raised about \$12,000 and had a great tournament. Since Sam had thought so much of Rotary and SCRH, the following year they had SCRH help run the tournament with Rotary's help. In 2008, Jeri became a Rotarian and brought the tournament to the club as a fundraiser for Rotary but we continued to partner with SCRH as we had done on other fundraisers. In fact, it took the place of the long running Wine & Cheese Event. The Dimple Drop was added later and all the proceeds went to SCRH until this year when the decision was made to split everything 50/50. This year there is a new twist where 3 balls are pre-chosen and if one of them goes into the hole the owner receives \$25,000! The ticket price for golfers was raised this year to \$175, but all the drinks on the course are included. Sponsorships are vital to the success. Many Rotarian's have stepped up already, but Jeri is hoping for more. Remember, this year's Petersen Cup is September 25th!

Our speakers today are from CCI—Canine Companions for Independence. Jennifer is our Asst. District Governor and a Past President of Point West. Canine Companions provide dogs for people with physical challenges other than blindness. At the end of training, the dogs are worth \$50,000. The CCI campus is located in Santa Rosa on property donated by the Charles Schultz family. There are volunteer breeders, caretakers, and puppy raisers in CCI. A dog is singled out from the companions for their temperament and lineage to become a breeder. The dog will have 5 litters and then be retired. The breeder caretaker can then keep the dog. Puppies can go into training at 7 weeks old. The dogs are either golden retrievers, labs or a mixture of both. At 18-22 months the dogs are ready to become a companion to a person in need. When the puppy trainer gets the pup at 7week old, they take the pup everywhere. It needs to get use to all kinds of situations. There are trainers at the CCI Campus that can help you learn how to train the puppy. There are facility dogs who work in hospitals, schools or the court system. There are service dogs who become skilled companions for special needs children with an adult facilitator. Sometimes having the doggie companion helps a child with the confidence to succeed in some area like talking for a child with autism. Skilled companions can open doors, turn on lights, removed laundry from a dryer, open the refrigerator, fetch items. There are also Hearing dogs who are placed with a deaf companion to help them be alerted to danger.

CCI also has a prison program to train companions dogs because prisoners have a lot of time. CCI is also expanding into companions to Military Veterans with PTSD. A companion dog can clear a room and have the vet feel safe to enter. This relieves a great deal of anxiety for the vet.

Peggy was very lucky, usually the waitlist for a companion dog is 2 years. She got Felice quicker and spent 2 weeks at the CCI campus training 9-5 each day. There is homework and a final and finally you are placed with a dog—usually of your choosing. Already Felice has been a savior for Peggy. She fell in the shower and Felice fond her phone and she was able to call for help. Felice also brings her a towel when she's swimming, helps put her legs in her wheelchair, knocks her legs over the side off the bed to help her get up in the morning and much more. Felice helps her change the sheets, turns off the lights but the best thing is that Peggy feels like people think she is much more approachable with a dog than before she had Felice.

How can one adopt one of these dogs when they are retired from service? A donation to CCI goes a long way. Usually there is a waiting list of up to 5 years. If you know a puppy raiser you can shorten that wait time with a donation to CCI.

Thanks you Jennifer, Peggy, Felice and Charlena for a great presentation!



Prez Steve in Action



Al and Alicia



Duane Oliveira



Peggy DiNocco and Jennifer  
Kurtsinger



Lee Burkhouse



Lunch Bunch!



Felice



Stan Nicolaus



Steve, Jeri, Danny and Mike



Congratulations on the \$25,000  
Grant!



Cathy Skeen



Christine Hock



Prez Steve and Jennifer



Peggy and Felice



Christine NOT winning!



Save the date!

# Petersen Cup

Friday, September 25th, 2015

Timber Creek Golf Course - Roseville, CA



Benefiting:

The Rotary Club of Arden Arcade &  
Children's Receiving Home of Sacramento