

Naake Charms the Snake



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Is it the Truth?
Is it Fair to all Concerned?
Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
Will it be Beneficial to all Concerned?

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August 17, 2018 Beat Report

Bill Dunk and Drew Houghton provided firm handshakes as the greeters this morning.

The sixth meeting of Carl Snakes term (inside joke...if you weren't there ask Carl) commenced with the song of the day 'Good To Me As I Am To You' in honor of Aretha Franklin with a young Eric Clapton on lead guitar. If you haven't heard this song, look it up. Paul 'The Coat v2.0' Adams led the club with the pledge followed up by Ex-Prez Bixler slogging his way through the 4 Way Test. Lindsay Burch went PWR old school with a spirited version of Grand Ol' Flag and capped off a rare Daily Double with a transition into the invocation. Lindsay recalled a poem which highlighted that '...a person who takes risks is free' and how it relates to what we do as Rotarians.

Guests were then introduced. The head table consisted of Jack Kasper (celebrated Foundation Treasurer), Dave Christenson (fastidious Foundation Secretary), Nick Mori (Our outstanding Speaker)....and Tom Knox.

After the tables were cleared (Only 1 more breakfast....Only 1 more breakfast!) Prez Carl kicked off the meeting by inviting Golf Tourney Chairs Bob Porter and Bill Dunk up front along with Coat Adams to present a check to our close charity partner, Eagle Golf. Angie Dixon accepted the \$2300 check and Michele Firpo recognized those many members in the club that have assisted this program over the years with a special shoutout from Bob Porter to John Koogler for establishing this relationship 30 years ago.

Beth Schatz then spoke about the importance of the club newsletter (are you reading this?) and the need for All Members to contribute content, especially those that are chairing upcoming events. Please submit all copy to Trish Harrington.

Doug Yoakum provided us an update on Brewfest. Sales are up over the same time last year. Keep up the good work and move those tickets! Don said something but I missed it because Lee was talking in my ear.

Craig Evans wrapped up the softball season announcements by not detailing this week's lost but by recognizing Trish Harrington for her steadfast loyalty in attending games and managing the post game pizza fest. Softball finished with 1 win this season (it was a forfeit but it looks the same in win column)!

Thanks to Sean Harris rocking the AV; Mark Copeland peeling off tickets; Bob Berger manning the rarely used cash drawer; and Credit Carder Christine Cahill-Reams. Happy Birthday to Marty Haley 8/11, Bob Berger 8/12, and Todd Murray 8/14.



Next week, Mike Testa from Visit Sacramento tells us what we're missing out on.

The Children's Receiving Home was recognized by GRC Chair Chris Taylor as the first recipient of funds for this term. The home was established in 1944 and has been a valuable resource in our community for helping youth overcome various traumatic issues. PWR funds directly impacted the Sprouts program which is focused on preschool age children. Thanks to Walter Helms for leading the due diligence efforts in the GRC review of this recipient.

After some begging (some may say whining) by Prez Carl, he somehow pulled off a bell ringer hat trick by going from 0 to 3 ringers who decided to step up out of thin air! Walter Helm lead off recapping his trip to South Africa followed by Kristi Kendal who says biz is going well, and last Sean Harris announcing a new addition to his family is due to arrive on Christmas.

The mood then abruptly changed with Speaker Chair Tom Knox introducing our guest speaker and his topic of opioid addiction. Nick Mori with Sac County Dept of Public Health spoke about the challenges facing not only Sacramento but the nation in addressing this epidemic. A couple key facts to note from the presentation: over 50% of opioids are obtained from family and friends; 40-50 people overdose every year in Sac County; in April 2016 tainted street opioids lead to 53 ODs and 13 deaths in just a one week period. The county is attempting to address this issue through the Sacramento County Opioid Coalition program which is focused on providing medication and detox assistance as well as safe disposal of these drugs through various county access points as well as private services. Increased funding in 2019 should help. Nick Mori also highlighted the introduction of Naloxone which is a drug used to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose.

The meeting, and this newsletter, then concluded with Paul Adams getting his 3rd newsletter mention by winning \$10 and JR Corcoran coming up craps on the Gino Draw.



From Christine Cahill Reams:

The next meeting of the International Giving Committee will take place Thursday, Sept 6 at 7 am. We will meet at the new B Street Theatre, 2700 Capitol Avenue. Since Mark Woolgar's departure from the club, Christine Cahill-Reams has taken over as committee chair. At this meeting, we will be discussing the progress of projects currently underway, as well as possible future projects. If you want to learn more about the committee, have a project you'd like to suggest, or simply have nothing better to do at seven o'clock in the morning, this is where you should be! We'd be happy to have you.

Editor note: this used to be called the International Grant Committee.



Why I love the PWR Softball team by Trish Harrington

I started attending the PWR softball team when they were playing in Rancho Cordova. A group of us were cheering them on. This lasted two games. They moved to the softball fields adjacent to Haggin Oaks, right up the street from me. It was a lovely venue, with great trees, a wonderful breeze, and I could yell all I wanted. Several people attended, but we hardly won a couple of games. We moved to Howe Park. This has been an abominable summer, but every night we fielded a team. These Rotarians simply love to play. We have some really good players, and others, but everyone has a good time. We go for pizza and beer after. Most show up, some don't.

I love each member of our team. They pour their hearts into their game. There may be some razzing, but they always are great sports. I will attend these games as long as they play. They deserve our support.



Future Speakers

Aug 24, 2018

Mike Testa, President & CEO of Visit Sacramento

Aug 31, 2018

Dr. Robert Nelson, CSUS President

Sep 07, 2018

**Honorable Ben Davidian
Sacramento Superior Court Judge**

Sep 14, 2018

**Dave Gull, Founder
New Helvetia Brewing Company**

Sep 21, 2018

**Rob Lapsley, President
California Business Roundtable**

Sep 28, 2018

**Tim Johnson, President & CEO
California Rice Commission**

Oct 05, 2018

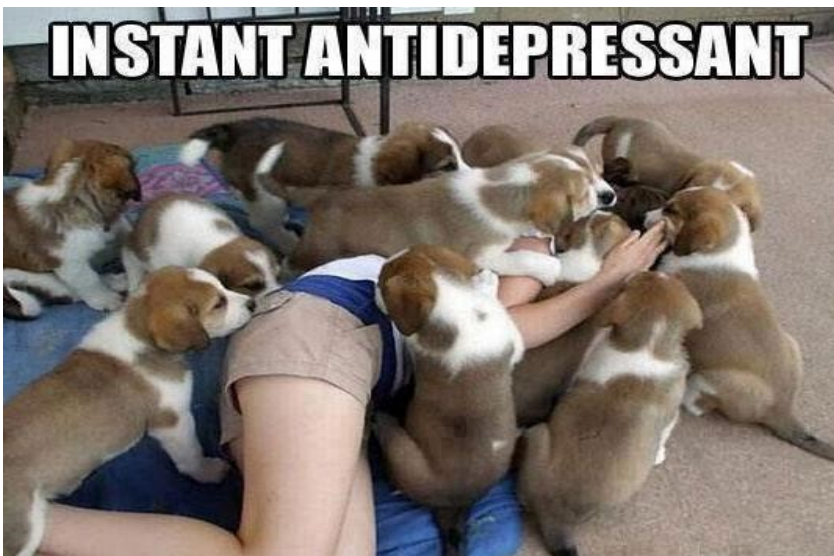
NO MEETING!

Oct 12, 2018

**Beth Ruyak
Host of "Insight" on Cap Radio**

Oct 19, 2018

NO MEETING!





POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS



TOM CICCHINI

Tom Cicchini (rhymes with bikini and zucchini) has 25+ years as a financial advisor, the past 20 years with Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. His office, originally in Gold River, moved to Roseville in 2013.

Tom strongly believes in community service and his involvement with Rotary goes back over 20 years. He has served as the President of the North Sacramento, Natomas and Granite Bay Rotary Clubs. He also served as District 5180's PolioPlus Chair since 2008. He has been the District's Executive Secretary and District Conference Chair. In addition, Tom is supportive of The Rotary Foundation and is a Bequest Society Member, a Benefactor and a Major Donor.

Tom has also served on the Board of Directors of numerous foundations and charitable organizations:

Sacramento Police and Sheriff's Memorial Foundation
Make-A-Wish Foundation
YMCA of Superior California
"Hole" Lotta Love Charity Golf Tournament

Tom is transferring from Granite Bay

Richelle Whiteford:

A native Californian, I was born and grew up in San Diego. Still considered "home" to me I do my best to visit there often, spending most of my time at the beach.

My first real job was in my early twenties as a staff account and office manager for a large CPA firm in San Diego, where I worked for nearly 11 years. I managed several high net worth client accounts, did a lot of general bookkeeping, while also taking care of the firms bookkeeping and administrative needs. Oddly, I loved accounting and was very good at it!

In 2012, my love for supporting foster kids brought me to Court Appointed Special Advocates "CASA" of Sacramento County where I served on the Board of Directors for a short time, and then became employed as the organizations Fund Development Manager. After a short stint away from CASA, I returned in July of 2017 as the Development and Operations Director, where I am today.

I'm proud to say I was a member of the Rotary Club of Davis for a few years. Rotary is amazing and where I met some of my very best friends I still have today. While a Rotarian, in 2013, I also had the great pleasure to travel to Lisbon, Portugal to the International Rotary Conference. It has been great fun getting to know the members of the Point West Club and to support various club activities. Thank you for this opportunity to re-join Rotary as a member of the Point West Rotary Club - the best darn club in Sacramento!

WE ARE MOVING

Our New Meeting Location - Del Paso Country Club



Reassuring to know that at least one of our PWRC members is a former salaried employee of Del Paso Country Club, our new meeting location starting September 7, 2018. Top row, 3rd from the left, stands 23 year-old, UC Davis law student, Doug Weill, the \$500/month plus all-you-can-eat, DPCC aquatics manager. With a staff of two, Coach Mike and lifeguard Leslie, the summer passed quickly with the Country Club hosting swim meets and the league championships. Swim lessons for the children of future Supreme Court Justices rounded out the activities. Doug says, “It’s great to be back. Do I still get all-I-can-eat?”