

## Rotary Club of Castro Valley Meeting Highlights – October 3, 2017

### Speaker of the Day: John Medlock Jr., Director of Alameda County Public Works Agency

*Storm Season of 2016-2017, Preparation, Damage, and Response* was the topic of Mr. Medlock's presentation with many, many photos of the damage and the work being done to repair the damage, especially Redwood Road.



The 2016-2017 storm season was unusual in the sense that after many seasons of below average rain, there was higher than normal rainfall, which resulted in many storm sewer blockages, road flooding, and road failure incidents. Overall, there were 269 calls for service, 10,875 labor hours, 1,170 equipment hours, 5,600 ft<sup>3</sup> of mud removal, and 28 county road closures of various durations. ACPWA provided round-the-clock coverage by having workers on an alternate shift schedule (i.e. one shift working and one shift of rest). ACPWA established temporary housing to accommodate its workers to implement this schedule.

The overall impact of these winter storms included:

- Short-term effects due to flooding of some roads;
- Downed trees;
- Many road closures of various durations due to slip outs;
- Road shoulder failures; and,
- Mud slides and slip outs of Calaveras Road and Mines Road.

The intermediate storm impacts included:

- Crow Canyon Road in Castro Valley localized flooding due downed trees and at least one accident involving a trapped and damaged car due to falling trees;
- Flooding of Kilkare Road in Sunol; and,
- Slope failure on Tesla Road in Livermore.

The long-term storm impacts included:



- Foothill Road in Pleasanton and Koopman Road in Livermore;
- Redwood Road in Castro Valley at 7.38 MM where the road collapsed and slipped out.
- Work has started with rough piers. Drilling and installing steel road piers is continuing and is expected to be completed by end of year
- Palomares Road at 8.73 MM in Castro Valley where work was September 22, 2017, and the road is now open.

The department provided reports and progress reports of the work through electronic media and news media as well as regular updates to the Alameda County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) and the Board of Supervisors (BOS).





The Club member were very impressed by the level of work that ACPWA handles and the timely response to the many issues in the face of severe storms, and thanked John and his staff for their work. The Club members were impressed by the response of and work ethic of the ACPWA and offered sincere appreciation and thanks for the work.



***The complete PowerPoint of Mr. Medlock's presentation will be attached to the email with this Meeting Highlights.***

**Linda Parker Honored as Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of Castro Valley**



The Rotary Club of Castro Valley honored Linda Parker for her dedication and expertise for twenty-eight years of serving the Castro Valley community before and during the annual Rowell Ranch Rodeo Parade by making her an Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of Castro Valley. She was recognized for her work of collecting, reviewing, and editing every entry, and setting the order of entries to ensure that no children follow big vehicles or the equestrian entries are not near the bands! Her spreadsheet is provided to all Rotarians and other parade volunteers, and is color-coded for clarity. It is used to



assist in merging the entries as they come into the parade route from various staging areas. Linda also is the person that merges entries at Norbridge Avenue and Nunes Avenue, and has never seen the parade live! Linda is a Computer Marketing Specialist for North American Title in Pleasanton. The Rotary Club of Castro Valley has been sponsoring Rowell Ranch Rotary Parade since 1981.

President Jim Negri, who has worked with Linda on the parade since 2010, stated "Linda has been the calm voice on the other end of my radio calling the equestrian entries out of the BART lot and merging them into the parade route all the while letting parade announcer Bruce Johnson know the order or if entry numbers have changed or that a new entry was added. It has been a pleasure to work with Linda on the Rodeo Parade. She creates order out of chaos and remains smiling throughout. Few see the incredible behind-the-scenes work that she does the day of the parade as well as the weeks leading up to the parade to ensure the community enjoys a great parade year after year."



Photo: Linda Parker (center) pictured with Rowell Ranch Rodeo Parade Announcer Bruce Johnson, CV Rotary President Jim Negri, and parade committee members Cliff Sherwood and Dwight Perry. Missing: Bill Nott, Parade Chair.

Photo by Gary Bosley

## Announcements

President Jim Negri

- Asked for a moment of silence to recognize the victims of the tragedy in Las Vegas as well as their families and friends, and the first responders;
- Reminded members of the Avenues of Service on October 5, which Gerard, Charles, Virginia, Ajay, Margie, Dwight, Heidi, and Jim are attending;
- Reported that the Board of Directors is working on a major fundraiser and will be sharing details in the coming weeks;
- Announced that the Board of Directors is forming a Membership Committee. Please see Virginia Degner to serve on this committee;
- Reported that a record number of members (40) RSVP'd to the meeting via ClubRunner!!!

## Upcoming Speakers

- October 10 - Murline Monat and Bob Shayler – Bay Area Transportation Options, Apps, and Lyft Driver Testimonial
- October 17 - Dave Stark, Bay East Association of Realtors Public Affairs Director – Bay Area Real Estate Housing Data Review and Legislative Focus for Realtors
- October 24<sup>th</sup> - Rodrigo Orduña, AICP, Assistant Planning Director, Alameda County Planning Department, Community Development Agency - Implications of the new Residential Design Guidelines and How It Impacts Existing Homeowners and New Developers.
- October 31 - Barbara Halliday, Hayward October 31

*Don't forget to reserve you space every week via the ClubRunner invitation that is emailed to members the Thursday morning prior to the lunch meeting.*

## Upcoming Events

- October 12 - Planning meetings for the Poker Tournament (4:30 pm), Chili Cook-off (5:00 pm), and Rodeo Parade (5:45 pm) at Direct Sales Floors
- October 19 – Castro Valley Eden Area Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer at Jess C. Spencer Mortuary at 5:30-7:30 pm. More info [here](#).
- October 19 – Eden Area League of Women Voters Educational Forum – President Jim Negri will be the moderator. More info [here](#).
- October 24 – Barks & Boos! Presented by the Castro Valley Eden Area Chamber of Commerce at the Adobe Center at 5:00 – 9:00 pm. More info [here](#).
- October 25 – Board of Directors meeting at 6:00 -7:30 pm at the Chamber of Commerce.
- November 11 – Castro Valley Meet in the Street & Light Paraded at 5:00 – 9:00 pm. More info [here](#).
- Every Tuesday – Castro Valley Eats at The Adobe Art Center at 5:00 – 9:00 pm. More info [here](#).



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