



## "Chips" from the Buzzsaw

The Weekly Newsletter of the  
Rotary Club of West Sacramento

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## Our Program: Celebrating Veterans



**Bob Cecatto**



**Dick Uno**



**Al Franks**

Veterans told their stories as the most important part of our program this week. We asked those who served their country in armed conflicts to tell just a little bit about the experience, including where and when they served, lest we forget.

**Bob Cecatto**, a veteran of the Korean War, told a moving story of his time under fire. **Dick Uno**, who served in France in World War II, gave a typically modest account of his service there, and frequent visitor (from the South Sacramento Club) **Al Franks**, who also served in World War II, gave a brief account of his participation in the historic Battle of the Bulge.

Not all Rotarians who are veterans could be there, as some were elsewhere, honoring others who have fallen. To all veterans, *thank you for your service*.

### November/December Meeting Schedule and Speakers

**November 10**  
Celebrating Veterans' Service

**November 17**  
Chris Worden  
Future Ready

**November 24**  
Club "Dark" – No Meeting

**December 1**  
Jim Fritzsche  
The Elgin Marbles

### September 8, 2017—Meeting Summary

Presiding:	<b>Jim Cahill</b>
Pledge:	<b>Bob Cecatto</b>
Prayer/Thought:	<b>Mark Engstrom</b>
Song Leader:	<b>Andy Wallace (America)</b>
Door Prize Valued at:	<b>\$387 : Andy Wallace pulled the 7 of Hearts</b>

The Rotary Club of West  
Sacramento

Club 558

District 5180

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We meet every Friday at 12:15  
Club Pheasant

Jefferson & Lake Washington  
West Sacramento, CA







Andrew Sturmfels, founder of Assemble Sacramento, (at left) gave an update to the bicycle rest stop project known as “The Nest”, which is proposed for construction along the former Clarksburg Trail, between Lake Washington and Linden (see above).

One hundred years ago you could hop on an electrified rail car at the Rail Yards in Downtown Sacramento, ride over the I Street Bridge, and eventually make your way all the way to Oakland, where you could then reach San Francisco by ferry. To get there you would first travel South through West Sacramento and several stops along the way. One of these historic stops was called “Jefferson Station”, which is believed to have been in close proximity to what is now the Pheasant Club.

Assemble Sacramento and their local partners plan to reopen Jefferson Station, not as a rail station, but as the first rest station amenity on the trail, right behind the Southport Town Center.

### WEST SAC KIDS GIVE BACK

Generous Rotarians passed the hat and donated \$400 to West Sac Kids Give Back. Rotarians can also help this local effort, by collecting donations of personal care items. These

will later be sorted for distribution into care packages for those in need.

The care packages are assembled by children, under the supervision of adults, and are provided to local non-profits for distribution to needy clients.



Quirina Orozco (at right with some of the kids) gave a presentation to the Club on this ongoing effort, and will be coordinating Rotary donations. See the flyer on the next page, and bring your donated items to Rotary every week for collection.







## WEST SAC KIDS GIVE BACK

young hands leaving an  
imprint on their community

Each year West Sac Kids Give Back creates an exciting opportunity for  
**West Sacramento children to learn the true value of giving back to their community.**

This **two-part effort** allows kids to both **1 COLLECT** donations of personal care items for those in need as well as **2 ASSEMBLE** those items in to care packages. The care packages are then provided to local non-profit organizations for distribution.

**This year the children's efforts will support the following organizations:**

(Wish lists for each organization below. Full-sized items only. No travel sizes.)

### COLLINGS TEEN CENTER

3 in 1 wash  
toothbrushes  
toothpaste  
deodorant  
foot powder  
socks  
gloves  
beanies

### MY SISTER'S HOUSE

3 in 1 wash  
toothbrushes  
toothpaste  
deodorant  
foot powder  
socks  
gloves  
feminine products

### YOLO COUNTY CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE

3 in 1 wash  
toothbrushes  
toothpaste  
deodorant  
socks  
gloves  
children's books  
baby wipes

## 1 COLLECT

**Drop off donations between November 15th and  
December 15th to any one of our collection boxes located at:**

Washington Unified Elementary  
Delta Elementary Charter School  
Lighthouse Charter School  
Our Lady of Grace  
West Sac Fire Dept. Station 45

West Sac Police Dept.  
City of West Sac City Hall  
Mid Valley Funding & Investments Inc.  
Exclusive Realty  
CABS Heating & Air  
Pediatric Dentistry of West Sacramento

ATA Martial Arts  
Lenise's Cafe  
The Sail Inn  
Kick-n-Mule  
West Sac Sports Bar & Grill

## 2 ASSEMBLE

### Join us for the 3rd Annual Cheer Pack Party!

**Sunday, December 17th at 4:30pm at the Collings Teen Center, 1541 Merkley Avenue**  
Children of all ages are encouraged to attend this fun, festive, and safe community service event.



For more info. follow us on facebook @westsackidsgiveback or email us at WSKidsGive@gmail.com



(top left) **Lyle Basset** sits with veteran **Dick Uno** before the meeting starts.

**Marty Garozzo** (top right) is the hardest working Sgt. At Arms, ferrying the microphone all over the meeting!

(middle left) New Member **Kat Gallagher** sits with husband Brian.

(bottom left) **Gina Borges** brought her daughter Isabella to the meeting.



(below right) Sometimes there just isn't an appropriate caption ... **Jeff Post** and **Drew Gidlof** prove that they entered through the bar.

Jigsaw  
Puzzles are  
too hard for  
the editor



(bottom right)

**Dan Ramos** and **Kent Ramos** pose with guest **Andrew Sturm-fels**.







## Celebrating Good Times!

**Tom Engle**, (top left) Centennial Rotary Club President, rang the bell in recognition of our club's support of Centennial's fundraising.

**Peter Anderson** (lower left) rang the bell for Polio Plus in recognition of his Hawaiian vacation, which he naively posted on Facebook for all the world to see.



Also volunteering cash for the Club, but not pictured, were **Tim Carnahan** and **Chris Bradford**, each of whom had a story to tell behind their cash contributions. Ask them about it at the next meeting. **Tim Kwong** was let off the hook for a missing badge because at the very moment he was to be fined, the president's phone rang...

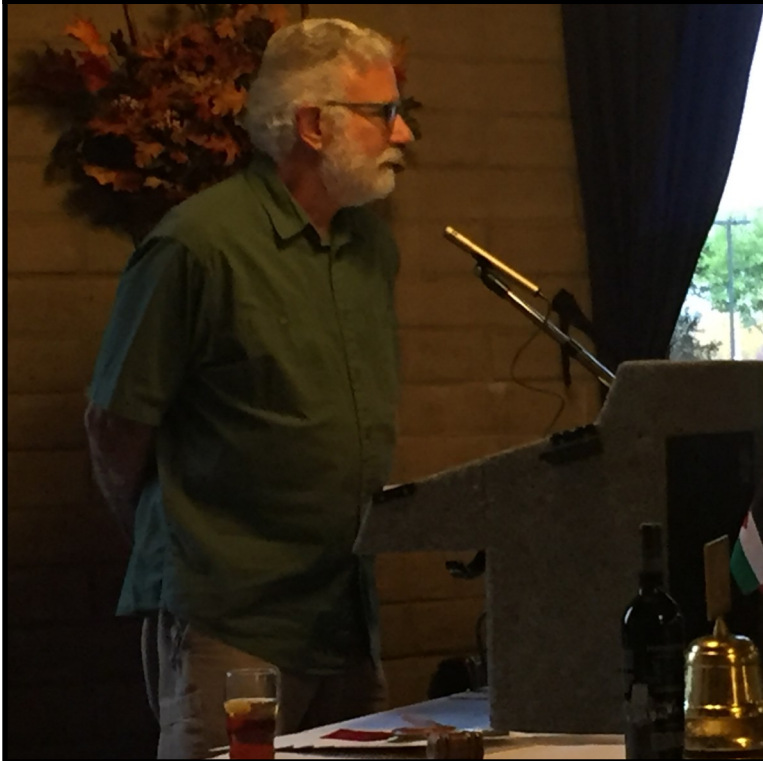


## New Members Inducted!

Sponsored by **Paul Kolarik**, **John Hills**, was born in Wichita Kansas. He is married to Barbara Hill and they have one adult son, Stewart Hills, who lives in Colorado. John, a retired physician, and Barbara live in Davis. Among his favorite activities: snow skiing, travel, hiking/camping, biking, and more fishing "one of these days". John's favorite saying: "Expect nothing".

Sponsored by **Amy Busch**, **Mary Kathleen "Kat" Gallagher** was born in Quezon City, Philippines. Kat is married to Brian Gallagher. Together they have a pet dog, named Molly. Kat, an attorney, and Brian live and work in West Sacramento, where she practices business law, and estate planning. Among her favorite activities: snow skiing, auto racing and running. Favorite sport teams: SF Giants, Dallas Cowboys. Favorite saying: "If you are irritated by every rub, how will you be polished".

**Welcome John and Kat!**





West Sacramento Christmas Basket founder Helena Helmold poses with a symbolic check, presented to her by Rotary Club of West Sacramento member Marty Garozzo. Rotary Club of West Sacramento members have donated \$2,664 to this year's West Sacramento Christmas Basket project to feed the hungry. Helmold founded the project more than 30 years ago.

West Sacramento Rotary has been helping with the project since its infancy. For 23 years in a row the club has increased the amount of its donation. Benefiting are 650 West Sacramento singles and families, many of them elderly, who have signed up to receive a box of assorted food items as 'Christmas baskets.' Warehouse space to hold and distribute the food items is again being donated by long-time Christmas Basket supporter and benefactor, West Sacramento's Frank Ramos.

*(2016 reprinted from WestSacWeb.com)*



We will **pass the hat** at four consecutive meetings before Christmas. All the money that is raised is then matched by the club and then given to the Christmas Food Basket Project.

Each year our club has set a record for funds raised for this project. Counting backwards from the week before Christmas for four meetings **November 17 will be our first collection day.** (We try to get it done at least a week before Christmas to give the project time to finish the baskets and deliver by Christmas).

**Tim Carnahan and Marty Garozzo** have managed and promoted this worthy effort on behalf of the Club. Dig into your pockets this Holiday Season and chip in when Tim and Marty pass the hat

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Rotary International President  
Ian Riseley



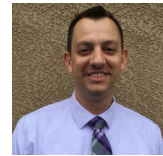
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Rotary District 5180 Governor  
Sandi Sava



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Rotary District 5180 Assistant Governor  
JR Springer



#### District 5180 Rotary Clubs Meeting Times and Locations So You Can Make Up Each Week

Day	Who	When	Where	Who	When	Where
Mon	Foothill Highlands	12:15pm	Lions Gate Restaurant	Walnut Grove	12:30pm	Tony's Place
	Sacramento	12:15pm	Red Lion Hotel - Woodlake	Fair Oaks	6:45pm	Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse
Tues	Oroville Sunrise	7:00am	The Monday Club	Oroville	Noon	The Monday Club
	Rancho Cordova Sunrise	7:00am	Cordova Casino	Marysville	12:15pm	Peachtree Country Club
	Sutter Buttes Sunrise	7:00am	The Plaza Room at Hillcrest	Rancho Cordova	12:15pm	Rancho Cordova City Hall
	West Sacramento Centennial	7:00am	Collins Teen Center	Looms Sunset	5:30pm	Indian Creek Country Club
	Sacramento Breakfast	7:15am	Evans Kitchen	Carmichael	6:30pm	Ancil Hoffman Golf Course
	Arden Arcade	Noon	Ruth Cris Steak House - Pavilions			
Wed	Rocklin/Loomis Basin	7:00am	Whitney Oaks Golf Club	South Placer	Noon	Whitney Oaks Golf Club
	El Dorado Hills	7:15am	Community Service Building	Citrus Heights	12:15pm	Citrus Heights Community Center
	Laguna Sunrise	8:00am	Valley Hi Country Club	North Sacramento	12:15pm	Doubletree Hotel
	East Sacramento	Noon	Evan's Kitchen	Yuba City	12:15	Hillcrest Plaza Room
	Elk Grove	12:15pm	Vince's Restaurant	Midtown Sacramento	5:30pm	Café Bernardo
	Folsom Lake (Folsom)	Noon	Empire Ranch Golf Club	Rancho Murieta	7:00pm	Rancho Murieta Country Club
Thu	Historic Folsom	7:00am	Lake Natoma Inn	Lincoln	Noon	Lincoln Women's Club
	Roseville Sunrise	7:00am	Gingers Restaurant	Roseville	Noon	Sierra View Country Club
	Yuba Feather River Sunrise	7:00am	Gary's Place	South Sacramento	Noon	Iron Steaks Restaurant
	Pocket-Greenhaven	7:30am	Aviators Restaurant	Folsom	7:00pm	Rotary Clubhouse-Lew Howard Park
	Gridley	Noon	Parish Hall			
Fri	Orangevale	7:00am	La Placita Restaurant	Natomas	7:15am	Hampton Inn, North Natomas
	Point West-Sacramento	7:00am	Doubletree Hotel	Granite Bay	12:15pm	McCormick & Schmick's Restaurant

*Balance Service Above Self*