



70 Years of Service Above Self



"Mighty is as Mighty Does"

Chips from the Buzzsaw

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Remarks on Jim Clark

By Bill Bevier

I want to say a couple of words regarding Jim Clark, a long time Rotary member, who passed away a week ago. Many of our newer members have not had the chance to meet Jim.

Not many men can say they have known their father-in-law twelve years longer than their wife. I first met Jim Clark when I went to work for my first employer out of college. Jim Clark and Walt Buehler were best of friends. Our firm would provide structural engineering calculations for Tecon Pacific when their in-house engineers required extra help. Jim was noted for arriving at our office on a Friday afternoon and needing the work Monday morning. Being very cost conscience, he knew how many hours could be racked up in that amount of time. As I was the only single employee, I usually would be the lucky individual who had the privilege of working over the weekend. What a way to ruin a single guy's weekend! Our firm had an annual Christmas party for our clients and Dad asked Robin to join him. She could get a free meal (cost conscience) before attending classes at McGeorge. That's where we met. Best thing that ever happened to me and the next thirty-three years with Jim as my father-in-law have been great.

Jim loved being a part of Rotary. You also know that Jim was diagnosed with Parkinson's over twenty years ago. When it came time for Jim to give up driving I would stop by his office and pick him up for our Friday lunch meetings. We did that for years. He did not want to miss our weekly Rotary meetings. The past couple years were difficult for him, and, when he had the ability to get out of the house he would rather be with my mother-in-law, Sharron, but he did make the occasional meeting. He always asked about Rotary and enjoyed receiving the newsletters every week. He is a great loss to our Mighty West Sacramento Rotary family.

BIRDISM

"Walk fast, be early, be diligent, be persistent, and always cross the finish line."

-Jim Clark



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Club Pheasant, 12:15

JAMES RUSSELL CLARK



James Russell Clark, 87, the founder of West Sacramento-based Clark Pacific, died peacefully at home in El Macero, on November 13, 2018 in the loving embrace of his wife, Sharron, and his family.

A fourth-generation Californian, Jim was born August 7, 1931 in Lompoc. His father was a blacksmith in the gold mines, and Jim grew up during the depression in Grass Valley (where he burned down their barn when he was 8 – he never had a cigarette since!) and Manteca as the third of four children. Even as a child, Jim loved building. At the young age of 14, he converted a chicken coop into a home where the family lived for 30 years.

Jim attended UC Berkeley. Helped in part by a football scholarship (a 3rd string lineman and a member of the legendary “Pappy’s Boys”), Jim paid his own way through college. Even while spending many hours practicing football, cleaning the stadium, working at the post office, and studying civil engineering, he was never too busy to see life as a fun adventure. During the school year, he loved practical jokes like disturbing the Bowles Hall dorm by secretly rolling a bowling ball down the loud halls of the second floor. During the summers he enjoyed exciting times working as a logger.

After receiving his BS in 1953, Jim joined the US Marine Corps as a 1st Lieutenant for two years. Jim then embarked on his career in San Francisco, earning both his civil and structural engineering licenses. San Francisco was where he met and married the love of his life, Sharron Kinch, soon to be a Stanford nursing graduate. Jim and Sharron recently celebrated 61 years of marriage; their deep and unconditional love only grew stronger over time. People who interacted with Jim and Sharron regularly commented on how apparent Jim’s love was for her, even when he was hardly able to move or speak.

Jim and Sharron moved to Sacramento in 1963 when Jim took a job at Continental Heller. In 1965, he transferred to a small subsidiary, Tecon Pacific, in West Sacramento as the General Manager. He became a partner in 1978 and in 1991, Jim and his sons, Bob and Don, purchased the remaining portion of the business and changed the name to Clark Pacific. Jim believed in hiring “only people you would like to take home to dinner.” He loved his work! His integrity, energy, persistence and leadership helped Clark Pacific become one of the largest manufacturers of prefabricated building systems in the country. In 1970 Jim became a West Sacramento Rotarian, where he developed many lasting friendships.

Jim’s most fulfilling role was being a husband and a father. He and Sharron raised their five children along the Sacramento River. They renovated an old country home, where the family raised dogs, cats, chickens, ducks, goats, donkeys, horses, rabbits, even a pet crow and Bingo the monkey. Along with their country-living adventures, they all enjoyed camping, white water rafting, motor home trips, and boating together. While boating, Jim told the children, “You’d better be good swimmers because if this boat sinks, I’m saving your mother first.”

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Family was truly the most important thing for Jim. As the family grew, Jim loved being with every one of his children's spouses, his 19 grandchildren, their spouses, and his 12 great-grandchildren. Each family member has endless stories full of joy and love from their close relationship with Jim.



Jim and Sharron loved adventure travel. Their adventures spanned the world from safaris in Africa to trekking the Atlas Mountains of Morocco; from boating on the Amazon to exploring the Galapagos Islands; from scuba diving in Fiji to swimming at the North Pole. Yes, Jim jumped in the Arctic Ocean, much to Sharron's consternation!

Jim approached the onset of Parkinson's Disease in the mid-1990s with the same determination that he brought to all other life challenges. He strategized with researchers, physicians, and his family to make a plan to allow him to continue a vibrant life at each stage of the progressive illness which accompanied him for the next 22 years.

"I may not be on top of my game for the next 20 years but I will have the great satisfaction of knowing I gave it my best shot." And he did. He stayed positive throughout, doing regular exercise lessons (he could do a 5-minute plank even when he could barely walk), taking singing lessons (despite being tone-deaf) from grandson Grant's wife, Michele, and repeatedly getting up after falls. He continually focused on others, tirelessly trying to understand their lives and encourage them even as conversation became challenging. His wife's immeasurable loving devotion and strength and the support of his family helped him to fight a great fight.

Jim's winning smile, unending energy, great sense of humor, and love for his wife, family, and community will be dearly missed and always remembered.

Jim Clark is survived by his wife, Sharron Clark, their five children, Robin (Bill) Bevier of Rescue, Maureen (Dennis) Guerrieri of Davis, Don (Karen) Clark of Clarksburg, Bob (Margot) Clark of El Macero, and Tracy (Chris) Ferragamo of El Macero, and their grandchildren: Stephanie (Neil) Panziera, Amanda (John) Bailey, Douglas James (Hannah) Bevier, Clark (Jessica) Guerrieri, Sharron (Martin) Scheiber, Grant (Michele) Guerrieri, Lauren (Jay) Adams, Laura Clark, Alexis Clark, Sally Clark, James Clark, Emily Clark, Sarah Clark, Hannah Clark, Claire Clark, Austin Shaw, Trevor Shaw, Brook (Martin) Ferragamo and Gino Ferragamo, as well as 12 dearly beloved great-grandchildren.

The family would like to thank Dr. Caroline Tanner of the Parkinson's Institute at Stanford, Dr. Paul Riggle, Jennifer Miramontes (exceptional Medical Exercise Specialist), Emmett King, Letitia Herrera, Ivett Serrotos, and Tesedenya Wolde for their loving care.

Friends and family are invited to the Sutter Club, (1220 9th Street) on November 28th for a memorial service at 11:00 and a reception at 12:30 celebrating Jim's life.

In lieu of flowers the family requests any remembrances to be sent to the West Sacramento Rotary Foundation, to be used for scholarships.

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MEETING RECAP

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Dick Marshall and his guest Tom



Dustin Dumars and his brother Jason



Bob Ceccato and his daughter Jennifer



Ron Chambers, his guest for the meeting and son Cameron, and Steve Heringer



Visiting Rotarians and Guests November 16, 2018

Guests

Jason Dumars — Dustin Dumars
Cameron Chambers — Ron Chambers
Jennifer Pruitt — Bob Ceccato
Tom Virgl — Dick Marshall
Erika Yepes — Quirina Orozco

November 16, 2018

Meeting Summary

Presiding: **President T-Bird Troy**

Pledge: **Bill Bevier**

Opening Blessing: **Tim Carnahan**

Song: **Alicia Lopez, "America the Beautiful"**

Raffle: **Judy Ratley, \$958, 4 of Hearts**

Foundation Drawing: **Ken Ruzich**



Quirina Orozco and her daughter informing the club of the West Sac Kids Giving Back

T-Bird Troy's

OPENING REMARKS FROM THE MEETING 11/16/2018

Flexibility, Diversity and Service, The Rotary Passport One Club Way

THANKSGIVING FACTS YOU PROBABLY DIDN'T KNOW



The first Thanksgiving feast in 1621 lasted for three days. There were 90 Native Americans and 53 Pilgrims in attendance.

- President Abraham Lincoln declared Thanksgiving a Federal Holiday in 1863.
- Only male turkeys gobble.
- Since Harry Truman, every president has pardoned a turkey at Thanksgiving.
- The first Macy's Thanksgiving parade did not have any balloons.
- 50% of Americans put the stuffing inside the bird.
- Only 88% of Americans eat turkey on Thanksgiving Day.
- The Butter Ball Turkey Hot Lines answer almost 100,000 calls each Thanksgiving season.
- The NFL started the Thanksgiving Classic game in 1920.
- The heaviest turkey on record is 86 pounds.
- Wild turkeys can run 20 MPH.
- Californians consume the most turkeys on Thanksgiving Day than any other state.
- 50 million pumpkin pies are consumed during Thanksgiving.
- Jingle Bells was originally a Thanksgiving song.

Save the Dates



Dr. John Hills and Tim Kwong



David Santiago



Dan Ramos



Heine wins a free lunch

Club Calendar

RI Project Fundraiser
November 30th

First Quarter Full Board Meeting
January 17th

**Rotary Club of West Sacramento
Anniversary Dinner**
February 21st

SPEAKER PROGRAM

November 23rd
DARK

November 30th
Ceecil "Pancho Padilla
Trip to Pakistan

December 7th
Jesse Salanis
Youth Empowerment Summit

December 14th
Jim Engstrom
Rotary Foundation Awards

December 21st
TBD

December 28th
DARK

January 4th
DARK

January 11th
Don Carrithers
Retired Professional Baseball
Pitcher

January 18th
River City High School Students
Helping in a village in Kenya,
Africa

Service Above Self



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November 2018

****Notes Non Rotarian Volunteer**

Mondays: Route 1

11/19 Tim and Gloria** Carnahan

Mondays: Route 5

11/5 Dick Marshall and Troy Bird

11/12 Jeanne** and Mike**

11/19 Joanie Kapell and JoAnn Moffett

11/26 Paul Kolarik and John Hills

Wednesdays: Route 2

11/7 Tim Kwong

11/14 Lee Harris

11/21 Jeff Post and Nick Esquivel

11/28 John Raney and Elizabeth Munguia

Wednesdays: Route 5

11/7 Mark Roberts and Sandy Yuyama

11/14 Jeff Post and Kent Ramos

11/21 Lyle Bassett and Bob Ceccato

11/28 Marty Garozzo

Thursdays: Route 1

11/1 Tom Wallace and Tissy Simmons

11/8 Steve and Donna** Heringer

11/15 Ken Ruzich

11/22 Thanksgiving— No Delivery

11/29 John Raney

Thursdays: Route 2

11/1 Leonor Dicdican** and Barry Kalar

11/8 Len Thomas and Amy Busch

11/15 Carol Bogart and Ken Wilson

11/22 Thanksgiving— No Delivery

11/29 Mike Campbell and Dan Ramos

Thursdays: Route 5

11/1 Mark Engstrom

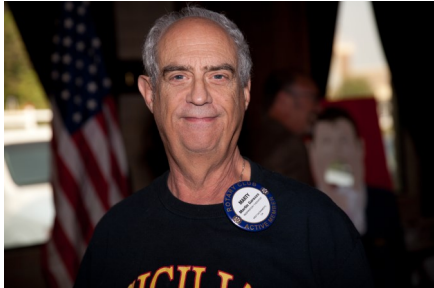
11/8 Shaun Morrow

11/15 Kat Gallagher and Dave Santiago

10/29 Dusty Dumars and Tim Kuzelka**

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Leadership Team
President Troy Bird
President-Elect/Secretary Peter Anderson
Treasurer Chris Bradford Dustin Dumars
Past President Bill Bevier
Membership Tim Kwong
Speaker Chair Mike Campbell
Interact Advisor Lee Harris
Youth Service Joanie Kapell JoAnn Moffett
Club Service Shaun Morrow
Community Service Dan Ramos
International Service Kumar Sivakumaran
Sgt. at Arms/Fine Master Jeff Post
Song Master Dick Marshall
Club Prayer Tim Carnahan
Social Media/Webmaster Jacklyn Powell Amy Busch
Bulletin Editor Amanda Bailey
Rotary Youth Exchange Steve Oren
Meals on Wheels Tom Wallace
Sunshine Chair Carol Bogart
Scholarships Ken Wilson
Club Photographer David Kamminga



Marty Garozzo

Birthdays & Anniversaries	
November Birthdays	
Chris Bradford	1st
Patty Palamidessi	13th
Quirina Orozco	24th
Heine Roikjer	29th
November Anniversaries	
Steve and Emily Oren	23rd, 44 years

A Note from the Editor

There will not be an CHIPS published next week, as I will be heading out of town to spend time with my family and celebrating my Papa at his Memorial Service. I am afraid I will not be able to get the CHIPS completed in time once I return and get caught up at work. However, please do not hesitate to keep sending material that you would like me to include the CHIPS. I will make sure that I get it in the following week, which you can expect to be a double issue. Thank you for your understanding.

Thanks, Amanda


CELEBRATIONS



Bill Bevier rings the Kwong Gong

Kwong Gong

Bill Bevier rang the Kwong Gong in honor of his father-in-law, **Jim Clark**. Jim Clark passed away on November 13, 2018.



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Seriously ill/hospitalized; badly hurt; having surgery; a loved one passes away — Members or close family—

Please contact **Sunshine Chair Carol Bogart**, at carol@bogartonline.com

The President's Page



Peter Anderson winds up to throw a fast one



Effergy of President T-Bird Troy






**INCOMING
SOCKS!!!!**



The President's Page, continued





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DRINKING WATER FOR ESCUELA SANTA TERESA DE JESUS NUEVA CAPITAL, TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS

International Partners

West Sacramento Rotary Club, CA.
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Host Club


Club Rotario Tegucigalpa Metropolitano, HN.

Problem:


- Approximately 1,000 to 1,200 school children in school without drinking water meeting standards
- The children are between the ages of four and seventeen with poor sanitation facilities
- They stay in school from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm to escape violence and engage in studies and activities

Solution:


- Replace existing storage tank of 600 gallons with a reinforced concrete tank of 30,000 gallons
- Include chlorination system and filtration, as appropriate, and rehabilitate sanitation facilities
- Estimated cost is about \$40,000



Washing cutlery



Drinking untreated water



Sanitation facilities in the school

Stay Connected to Rotary



OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the: ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST:** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND:** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD:** The application of ideal of service by every Rotarian to his/her/ personal, business and community life;
- FOURTH:** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideals of service.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see **Siva** or refer to his email for any information on the club's International Honduras Water Project.

As Siva pointed out, this is not just his project, but the entire club's project. All members should think about pledges as they are tax deductible. Contact Siva for more information. He has the forms.

There will be a fundraiser for the project on November 30th. More information to follow.

Please see **Quirina Orozco** for information on the "West Sac Kids Give Back".



Siva updates the club on the Honduras Clean Water Project

Nick Esquivel and Ike Parsons show a map of Paradise, CA and discuss the tragic conditions left from the Camp Fire



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4 Way Test

Of the Things we Think, Say or Do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and better **FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

WHY ROTARY??

8. NEXT GENERATION PROGRAMS

Rotary provides one of the world's largest, most structured and responsible youth program. Our youth exchange program, both our academic year and short-term, summer exchange are recognized as one of the best and most cost efficient available. We also have clubs in high school and college that help students develop their leadership, social, organizational and communication skills. These youth programs are available to the family members of our Rotarians.



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YOUR LINKS TO ROTARY

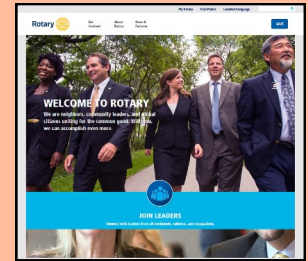


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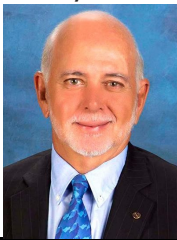
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2018-2019
Rotary International President
Barry Rassin



2018-2019
Rotary District 5180 Governor
Jack Arney



2018-2019
Rotary District 5180 Assistant Governor
Megan Ham



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 at McClellan Park	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	12:10pm	Peachtree Country Club
	Sacramento Breakfast	7:15am	Evan's Kitchen	Rancho Cordova	12:15pm	Rancho Cordova City Hall
	West Sacramento Centennial	7:00am	Collins Teen Center	Loomis Sunset	5:30pm	Refer to Home Page
Wed	Arden Arcade	Noon	Piatti	Carmichael	6:30pm	Ancil Hoffman Golf Course Clubhouse
	Folsom Lake—Folsom	Noon	Empire Ranch Golf Club	South Placer—Rocklin	Noon	Whitney Oaks Golf Club
	El Dorado Hills	7:15am	Community Service District	Citrus Heights	12:15pm	Citrus Heights City Hall
	Laguna Sunrise	7:45am	Valley Hi Country Club	North Sacramento	12:15pm	Doubletree Hotel
	East Sacramento	Noon	Evan's Kitchen Banquet Room	Yuba City	12:15pm	Hillcrest Plaza Room
Thu	Elk Grove	12:15pm	Chason's Crab Stadium	Midtown Sacramento	5:30pm	Café Bernardo
	Historic Folsom	7:00am	Folsom Veterans Hall (VFW)	Lincoln	Noon	Lincoln Women's Club (2nd/4th)
	Roseville Sunrise	7:00am	Gingers Restaurant	Lincoln	6:00pm	Beermann's Restaurant (1st/3rd)
	South Yuba County	7:00am	Peach Tree Restaurant	South Sacramento	11:30am	Casa Garden Restaurant
	Pocket-Greenhaven	7:30am	Aviators, Executive Airport	Folsom	7:00pm	Rotary Clubhouse-Lew Howard Park
	North Sacramento	Noon	Lemmon Law Office (1st)	Roseville	Noon	Sierra View Country Club
	North Sacramento	5:30pm	Mama Kims (3rd)	Gridley	Noon	Parish Hall
Fri	Rocklin-Loomis Basin	7:00am	The Window Box Cafe	Rotart eClub	6:00pm	Next mtg February 9th
	Orangevale	7:00am	La Placita Restaurant	Natomas	7:15am	Denny's
	Point West	7:00am	Doubletree Hotel	Granite Bay	12:15pm	Cattlemens Steakhouse
	Twin Rivers	6:15pm	Aviator's Restaurant (1st and 3rd)			