





## Becker Family Bees

Past President Mike Campbell introduced our speaker on Friday- Jeff Becker of Becker Family Bees. Jeff lives in Clarksburg and his company is celebrating 100 years of honey making excellence. In 1991, Jeff's grandfather started the bee business in Brentwood...(bee business in Brentwood, hm- that's fun to say...) and

the family business now spans four generations as Jeff's 24 year old son is now in the bee business. Jeff's 80-year-old father is still involved and Jeff spoke about the joy of being able to see his dad and son on a daily basis.

The bee business isn't as simple as raising bees and having hives for ag pollenization, although that is there core business and a very important part of their mission. Jeff and his family have diversified their services and now have multiple stores that sell their products including honey

(sometimes in quantities as large as 55-gallon drums), pollen, bees and the products necessary to support the colonies such as hives, etc. You can even buy a brand-new Queen Bee for \$30 that can lay 4,000 eggs per day- this editor calls that a bargain.

Mr. Becker explained that the biggest threat to bees today is not *pesticides* but a certain *pest* named the Varroa Mite which can cause the collapse of an entire colony. The mite attaches itself to the back of the bee and weakens its immune system, eventually causing the death of the bee. Jeff described the challenge this way, "How do I kill a bug on a bug?" One particularly tense but poignant moment occurred when Tom Wallace asked the question, "How do you restore honey to its



original viscous state once crystallization has set in?" The club collectively breathed a sigh of relief with several members seen taking feverish notes when Mr. Becker answered Tom's question by simply stating, "Microwave."

## Chips from the Buzzsaw

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## MEETING RECAP

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Amy Busch wins a free lunch!



Marty Swingle dumps his Red Badge and earns his Blue Badge!

JoAnn, Joanie and our RCHS student speakers





Kat Gallagher wins a Bob Walker!

Len Strickland wins a Steve Lewis...

## **Meeting Summary**

Presiding: Peter Anderson

Pledge: Thomas Radcliff

Opening Blessing: Jeff Post

Song Master/Song: Tom Wallace

"God Bless America"

Polio Plus Drawing: Bill Bevier

Raffle: Amy Busch

Bob Walker Award: Kat Gallegher

Steve Lewis Award: Len Strickland

## Visiting Rotarians and Guests

## **Visiting Rotarians**

Scott Kramling - Merrill Lynch/ Modesto

Babs Sandeen - Centennial - West Sac

### Guests

3 RCHS Freda Clark - RCHS Counselor Danielle B - Tammy Linker



## Save the Dates

## **SPEAKER PROGRAM**

#### **December 6th**

Joey Garcia, Author, Soul Coach, Survivor

### **December 13th**

Sam Shane KFBK Morning Radio Host

### **December 20th**

Peter Palamidessi Sr. History of the Pheasant Restaurant

### **December 27th**

We are dark

### January 3rd

We are dark

### January 10th

Pop up meeting No speaker

## January 17th

Ron Lawrence Chief of Police, Citrus Heights

## Tom's Corner

Tom, Steve and... Tom, and his 2 favorite... ah, moving on.







## December 2019

\*\*Notes Non Rotarian Volunteer

### Mondays: Route 5

12/2 Dick Marshall and Troy Bird 12/9 Tim and Gloria\*\* Carnahan 12/16 Joanie Kapell and JoAnn Moffett 12/23 Paul Kolarik and John Hills 12/30 Dick Marshall and Troy Bird

#### Tuesdays: Route 8

12/3 Tom Wallace and Steve Heringer 12/10 Shaun Morrow and Pedro Cisneros 12/17 Jeff Post and Kent Ramos 12/24 Barry Kalar and Tim Kuzelka 12/31 Tom Wallace and Steve Heringer

#### Wednesdays: Route 2

12/4 Pedro Cisneros and Tammy Linker 12/11 Lee Harris 12/18 Jeff Post and Nick Esquivel 12/25 Christmas Day — NO DELIVERY

#### Wednesdays: Route 5

12/4 Mark Roberts
12/11 Jeff Post and Kent Ramos
12/18 Lyle Bassett and Bob Ceccato
12/25 Christmas Day—NO DELIVERY

### Thursdays: Route 1

12/5Ken Ruzich12/12John Raney12/19Tom Wallace and Tissy Simmons12/26Steve and Dona\*\* Heringer

### Thursdays: Route 2

12/5 Carol Bogart and Ken Wilson 12/12 Mike Campbell and Dan Ramos 12/19 Leonor Dicdican\*\* and Barry Kalar 12/26 Len Thomas and Marty Swingle

#### Thursdays: Route 5

12/5 David Santiago and Kat Gallagher 12/12 Dustin Dumars and Tim Kuzelka 12/19 Shaun Morrow 12/26 Mark Engstrom

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## International Tidbits

From the desk of International Service Chair, Siva Sivakumaran

The Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento is pleased to inform you that the Global Grant Proposal for the Water and Sanitation Project in Honduras has been approved by Rotary International. The Rotary Foundation will match the funds according to their established practice. It is now time for the members who have pledged money to this project to write their checks and hand them over to Past District Governor and current Foundation Chair, Barry Kalar, before December 10, 2019. He will be coordinating the contributions to the project and send them to the Rotary Foundation in time to qualify for possible tax benefits. Thus, please feel free to contact him for any further details. Thank you in advance for your contributions!





# Proposed for Membership



**Danielle Bettencourt** 

Sponsor: Tammy Linker Employer: Streets of London Proposed Classification: Restauranteur



Alicia Mittleman

Sponsor: Kat Gallagher Employer: Harbor Counseling Services Proposed Classification: LCSW



## MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

### **Leadership Team**

President

Peter Anderson

**President-Elect** 

John Raney

Past President

Troy Bird

**Secretary** Amy Busch

**Treasurer**Dustin Dumars

Club Service Shaun Morrow

Chris Bradford

Community Service

Mike Campbell

Quirina Orozco

International Service

**Vocational Service**Drew Gidlof
David Santiago

Siva Sivakumaran

**Membership** Denice Domke

Meals on Wheels Tom Wallace

**RI Foundation** Barry Kalar

WSR Foundation
Jim Engstrom

**Speaker Chairs**Dan Ramos
Troy Bird

Youth Service Joanie Kapell JoAnn Moffett

Scholarships Ken Wilson

Club Chaplain Tim Carnahan

**Interact Advisors** Lee Harris Kat Gallagher



Tim Carnahan kicks off our Christmas basket program!

## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

## **December Birthdays**

Andy Wallace 3rd Jeff Post 12th Tim Kwong 17th Jim Engstrom 18th Jaclyn Powell 18th Nick Esquivel 24th Tom Wallace 24th Kat Gallagher 26th

## **December Anniversaries**

Troy and Kris Bird Bob and Jeanne Walter Dick and Ruby Uno 6th, 21 years 20th, 50 years 27th, 64years

Shaun Morr with his badg

Shaun Morrow continues to struggle with his badge. Boomer Bradford with the assist.

Leadership Team

**Song Master**Dick Marshall

**Fine Master** Tim Kwong

**Club Photographer** David Kamminga

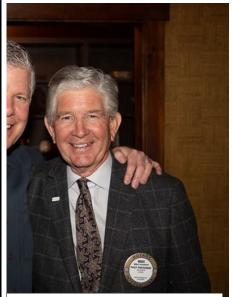
Sergeant-at-Arms
Steve Oren

**Webmaster** Peter Anderson

Sunshine Chair Carol Bogart

**Bulletin Editor** Andy Wallace

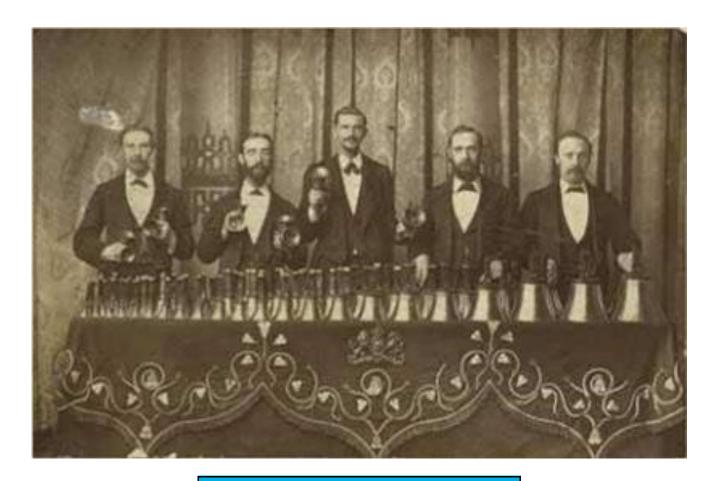
## Past President Jim Engstrom



Past President Mike Campbell



Past President Ken Ruzich



## **Bell Ringers**

- Chris Bradford Birthday
- Patti Palamidessi Cancer Free!

## **Kwong Gongers**

- David Santiago (\$300) Bought out business partners!
- Ken Wilson—because he can!





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## The President's Page

## PETER'S PRINCIPAL Opening Remarks From Friday's Meeting

Another seasonal holiday staple graces the table each year and National Cranberry Relish Day makes sure you're prepared. On November 22nd make sure you're stocked and ready. Get tasting the many recipes out there and pick your favorite one!

Believed to have originated in the New England States during the early 1900s, cranberry relish is a traditional part of many families' Thanksgiving dinner.

I am Peter Anderson and it is days like these that make me proud to be the 71<sup>st</sup> President of the Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento!

"Dig deep to discover your hidden abilities and strength to always persevere."

— Edmond Mbiaka (Interpretive dance by Peter Anderson)









From the Prez...

- Don't miss this week's speaker— Joey Garcia- Author, Soul Coach, Survivor...
- Get your FREE new Rotary Pin by 1-1-2020 and remember to wear it!
- I may owe some money to the foundation on behalf of my Niner friends...
- Pick up your new Rotary Shirt this Friday!

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## 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.

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## **Making Dreams Real**

## The 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 **FRIEND-SHIPS?**
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



## **ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Steve Orin needs another host family for our exchange student

  — please see Steve for details
- Click below to visit YouTube and see President Peter, Kat Gallagher, JoAnn Moffett and the Mighty Rotary Gofer Band made up of David Kamminga, Troy Bird and Dusty Dumars and their District 5180 Ray Ward Lip Sync entry!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7PYjRP7cq2w&feature=youtu.be



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

Please contact Little Miss Sunshine Chair, Carol Bogart, at

carol@bogartonline.com

## Time To Visit Club Runner and Update Your Information?

- 1. Go to http://portal.clubrunner.ca/7521
- 2. Click MEMBER LOGIN (upper right corner)
- 3. If you forgot your password, or have never logged in, click "New and existing users: retrieve login and/or reset password" on the bottom of the screen. You will receive an e-mail with instructions to reset your login.
- 4. Once logged in, click MEMBER AREA (top left corner).
- 5. Click EDIT MY PROFILE (center of screen)
- 6. Update your information (including birthdate and anniversary)

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www.rotary.org

Rotary District 5180 http://www.clubrunner.ca/ portal/home.aspx?did=5180

2019—2020 Rotary International President Mark Maloney





2019—2020 Rotary District 5180 Governor Ray Ward





2019—2020 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
	West Sacramento Centennial	7:00am	Collins Teen Center	Loomis Sunset	5:30pm	Refer to Home Page
	Arden Arcade	Noon	Piatti	Carmichael	6:30pm	Ancil Hoffman Golf Course Clubhouse
Wed	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
	Elk Grove	12:15pm	Chason's Crab Stadium	Midtown Sacramento	5:30pm	Café Bernardo
Thu	Historic Folsom	7:00am	Folsom Veterans Hall (VFW)	Lincoln	Noon	Lincoln Women's Club (2nd/4th)
	Roseville Sunrise	7:00am	Gingers Restaurant	Lincoln	6:oopm	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
	Rocklin-Loomis Basin	7:00am	The Window Box Cafe	Rotart eClub	6:oopm	Next mtg February 9th
Fri	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)			