



Chips from the Buzzsaw

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Rotary Club of West Sacramento

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Greg Wong Cal Trans District 3

By President David Kamminga

We all know how miserable traffic jams can be. This week's speaker was Deputy District Director for Cal Trans District 3 who showed us how managed lanes and several key projects in the Sacramento area can help to mitigate the traffic congestion.

HOV Lanes, Express Lanes, Reversible Lanes, HOT lanes, bus lanes are all examples of managed lanes, which serve special purposes. They may be restricted to certain vehicles or change directions for the different commute directions.

Being the Capital of the largest state in the union, Sacramento has some unique challenges. CalTrans has been working on several projects to improve our freeway system.

Some recently completed projects include:

US 50 Bus/Carpool lanes from Watt Ave to Sunrise Blvd. This project cost \$100 Million

- Interstate 80 Bus/Carpool lanes and rehabilitation this is the freeway formerly known as I-880 before 880 was given to the bay area who broke it during one of their earthquakes. It became simply known as I-80 or the "Across the Top" this project cost \$136 Million

Underway projects include:

- Interstate 5 bus/carpool lanes and rehabilitation. This project is just now nearing completion and included added bus/carpool lane and roadway rehab. It also included installing fiber optic cabling. This project cost \$370 Million and it was complete from Elk Grove to the US 50 Interchange.
- US 50 Bus/carpool lane phase II which goes from I-5 to Watt avenue and also includes roadway rehab. If you need to get off on Watt avenue during the construction of this project make sure you are in the right lanes as you approach Howe avenue or you will be forced to go past Watt Avenue to Bradshaw and double back. This project cost \$450 Million
- Added Auxiliary lanes on 99/70 between I-5 interchange and Elkhorn Blvd.

Coming Soon:

- Added managed lanes at I-5 between 99/70 and the Airport
- The much needed Yolo 50/80 interchange
- Interstate 5 and Interstate 80 interchange modernization

With all the population growth over the years, and now the new growth being seen. It's good to know that our Cal Trans officials have a proactive approach to mitigating traffic jams.

Thank you to Greg for coming and sharing this update with us.



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MEETING RECAP

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Marty Garozzo tries for the joker but wins a free lunch



I'm telling you they got Tom Jones!"



Visitors and Guests April 1st, 2022

Guests
None

Visitors

Judy Foote — Pocket/Greenhaven
Martha Ng — A.G./Midtown
Heine Roikjer -- Carmichael

April 1st, 2022 Meeting Summary

Presiding: **David Kamminga**

Pledge: **Dan Ramos**

Opening Blessing: **Marty Garozzo**

Song Master: **Dick Marshall**
"America the Beautiful"

Raffle: **Marty Garozzo, \$1, 069, 2 of Clubs**

Foundation Raffle: None



Speaker Greg Wong

**Photos courtesy of
Tim Kwong**

The President's Page

Remarks from President David Kamminga

Spring is upon us. A time for changing weather, allergies, and scholarships. The interview committees have been interviewing the high school students this week to receive scholarships from our West Sacramento Foundation. This is one of the greatest things our club does. These scholarships make a difference in the lives of our future leaders. We give both academic and vocational scholarships to the students of River City High, Delta High, and Yolo Continuation school.

We are in the final quarter of the Rotary year. We have been having a great year of service to our community that we all love. The Yolo County Food Bank, the Yolo County Children's Alliance to name a few. We are also helping people as far away as Sri Lanka.

On March 18th, the Club's new by-laws were unanimously approved by the membership.

We have Inducted four new members into the club (Babs, Wade, Steve, & Sylvia) during this year.

President Elect Jaclyn has been doing her PETS training and is preparing for her year as our President. The Past presidents have selected JoAnn Moffett as our President-Elect-Elect.

I would say this year has been interesting and productive for our club.

As we continue through the last quarter of the year, I am very happy to say that I REALLY LOVE our Rotary Club, each and every one of you, or friendships and fellowships have meant so much to me. I look forward to many more years of service with all of you.

Yours in Rotary Service,
David Kamminga, 2021-2022 President
Rotary Club of West Sacramento



David Kamminga's

OPENING REMARKS: "This Week in History March 26th—April 1st"

A British newspaper stated that Rotary Rooters had sold 159 million singles around the world. Considering they'd issued 40 singles up to that time, they'd averaged 4 million sales per single release.

Steve Oren Burned up his Guitar onstage for the first of many times when he lit up at Finsbury Park in London

Troy Bird and Yoko Ono held their famous "Bed-In" at the Amsterdam Hilton Hotel

12 Days after Dan Ramos and The Medicine Show hit "The Cover of Rolling Stone" peaked at #6 (March 17) the group wound up on the cover of the real Rolling Stone magazine.

After having sung with the Pips for 37 years, Patti Palamadessi made her solo debut at Bally's Casino in Las Vegas.

And the number one song in 1972 – A Cat with no name by America

MEETING RECAP

Jennifer Holly, GRSM Lawfirm “Hot Topics in CA Employment Law” *By President David Kamminga*

This week our speaker was Jennifer Holly who is an associate of Kat Gallagher’s. She shared with us the myriad of the various employment laws in the State of California.

- Updates (Family care time off, severance packages and settlement agreements and employment records keeping)
- Rate of Pay Claims
- Defamation Claims
- PAGA/Class Action Waivers in Arbitration Agreements
- Independent Contractor Status
- Salaried Employees Salary Threshold
- NLRA Rights for Employees

The employment laws, are probably one of the most changing types of law in the State of California. The threshold for the requirement to provide up to 12 weeks of family care leave is now for employers of Five or more employees and includes the caring for In-Laws. This is leave of up to 12 weeks.

When terminating a relationship with an employee an employer must give the employee 5 days to consider any severance package offer and allow them to consult an attorney before agreeing to accept the severance package.

Effective January 1, 2022 employers are required to maintain applications and personnel records for at least 4 years from the date the records were created or received by the employer.

One of the other more recent employment law change was regarding workers being treated as independent contractors, this is the controversial law which affected the ride share and meal delivery workers. A person to be considered an independent contractor not only has to be free to establish their work procedures and conditions, but also may not be acting in the employers usual course of business and also must be customarily engaged in the particular line of work.

Employment law is quite complex and continues to become more complex.

Visitors and Guests March 25th, 2022

Guests

Jennifer Holly — Kat Gallagher
Kiara Stubbs — Kat Gallagher
Nicholas Carlton — Ken Wilson
Jason Marshall — Dick Marshall

Visitors

Tom Engle — Centennial

March 25th, 2022 Meeting Summary

Presiding: **David Kamminga**

Pledge: **Kent Ramos**

Opening Blessing: **Marty Garozzo**

Song Master: **Dick Marshall,**
“Take Me Out to the Ballgame”

Raffle: **Steve Heringer**, \$1,033, 3
of Hearts

Foundation Raffle: None

David Kamminga’s

OPENING REMARKS: “This Week in History March 19th—Marth 25th”

1947 – One of the icons of Rock n roll, Elton John was born, known for his outrageous stage costumes and oversized glasses. The prince of British Rock amassed 65 chart singles in the USA starting in 1970 with Your Song. His four decades career produced more than 25 top ten songs which included Philidelphia Freedom, Crocodile Rock, and Candle in the Wind.

1952 – Cleveland DeeJay Alan Freed held his first Rock N Roll stage show. The Moondog Coronation Ball at a theater capable of holding 10,000 occupants. When 30,000 Teens showed up, the show was cancelled by local officials. Though it wasn’t considered at the time the riot was the first sign of the coming rock n roll era.

1958 – Elvis Presley enlisted in the Army and went from an estimated \$10,000 a month to \$78 a month

1975 – Four Season’s members Bob Gaudio and Frankie Valli bought back an unreleased recording from Motown Records and leased it to Private Stock Records. The record sung by Valli “My Eyes Adored You” reached #1

1985 – Billy Joel married Model Christie Brinkley

1991 – Leo Fender died of Parkinsons in his home at the age of 81. Leo revolutionized the development of the solid body electric guitar. The Telecaster in 1950 and the ultimate rock n roll guitar the Stratocaster in 1954 Although he studied Piano and Saxophone as a youth and never even played the guitar. He started a Radio repair shop in California which developed into building amplifiers, and by 1947 guitars. He sold the company in 1965 to CBS for \$13 million

1992 – Janet Jackson, the youngest member of the Jackson Clan signed a \$16 million contract with Virgin Records.

And the number one song in 1967 – Happy Together by The Turtles

MEETING RECAP

Ben Bermin, CAL Fire

By President David Kamminga

Ben retired from the Coast Guard 2 years ago. He worked his way up through ranks as an Aircraft mechanic working on Helicopters and went to Naval Flight School. He flew Blackhawks and then C-130 planes.

He came to CalFire for the C-130 program which they received from the Coast Guard and they are converted and fitted for Fighting fires.

The newest Tool that CalFire uses are Helicopters, they have many Vietnam era Hueys and also Blackhawks. CalFire uses them as a single pilot flight vehicle. CalFire has 5 Blackhawk Bases and will ultimately have 12. The new CalFire Hawk vehicles have built in tanks with a 3 time capacity of the Hueys. They also allow the use of night vision goggles for the pilots. They are much faster and more maneuverable than the old Hueys. They are also 27 percent faster and this allows them to get the water to the fire quicker, quicker response time is crucial when fighting fires!

The Helicopters are more of a pinpoint accuracy delivery to the fire than the big tankers

Firefighting has become more year round these days instead of the normal summertime rush. There are always fires burning in the Forests of California and this makes the work that CalFire does much more important.

Visitors and Guests March 11th, 2022

Guests

Kayla Rodriguez — Katie Villegas

Visitors

None

March 11th, 2022 Meeting Summary

Presiding: **David Kamminga**

Pledge: **Peter Anderson**

Opening Blessing: **Marty Garozzo**

Song Master: **Dick Marshall,**
"Take Me Out to the Ball Game"

Raffle: **Alicia M., \$888, 2 of Spades**

Foundation Raffle: None

David Kamminga's

OPENING REMARKS: "This Week in History March 4th—March 11th"

1927 – Seeburg introduced the first Jukebox

1954 – Elvis Presley tried out for the Songfellows, the Junior Blackwood Brothers Vocal Group. He was greatly disappointed when he was told he "Can't Sing", although members of the group later asserted they meant, he cannot sing harmony. He also filed his first federal tax return today, his job classification was noted as "Semi-Skilled"

1964 – Country Music's version of The Day The Music Died occurred, Patsy Kline, Cowboy Copas, and Hawkshaw Hawkins were killed in a plane crash in Camden Tennessee, they were returning from a benefit concert for a Kansas City music disc jockey's widow.

1966 – Tina Turner recorded her legendary vocal on Phil Spector's crowning achievement "River Deep, Mountain High". Spector had already spent over \$22,000, creating the backing track. That did not include the \$20,000 he paid Tina's husband, Ike Turner to stay out of the studio.

1966 – LuLu became the first British female singer to perform behind the iron curtain, when she began a polish tour with the Hollies in Warsaw.

And the number one song in 1971 – One Bad Apple by The Osmonds



Visitors and Guests March 4th, 2022

Guests

Catherine Cramer — RCHS
Freda Clark — RCHS

Visitors

Joe Scheimer — Fair Oaks

CELEBRATIONS

Bell Ringers

Troy Bird
David Kamminga
Katie Villegas
Jeff Post
Tim Kwong
Tom Wallace for Nell Wallace and for missing a meeting.
Dan Ramos for Rotary Foundation scholarships.
JoAnn Moffet in honor of her 50th birthday.
Heine Roikjer

Denice Domke



Kwong Gong

Peter Anderson
Dick Marshall in honor of his wife Marlene who passed away 6 years ago.
Denice Domke for her birthday.

Dick Marshall



Heine Roikjer and Ken Wilson



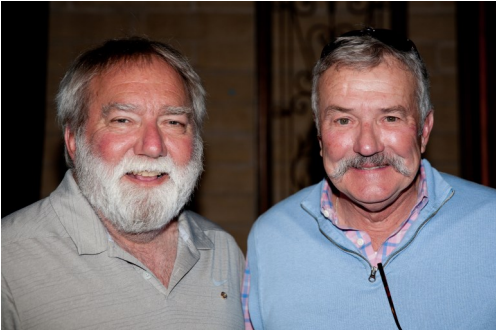
Jeff Post



Assistant Governor Martha Ng and Judy Foot



Kat Gallagher

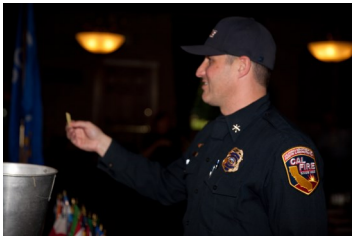


Tom Engle and Kent Ramos

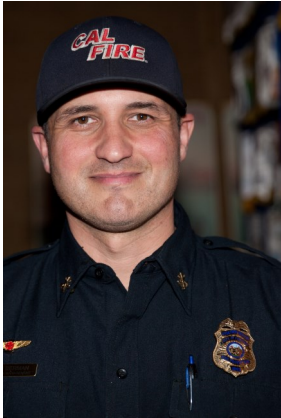


Jeremiah Smith

Save the Dates



**Speaker Ben Bermin,
CAL FIRE**



Mondays: Route 9

- 4/4 Tom Wallace
- 4/11 Paul Kolarik and John Hills
- 4/18 Tom Wallace
- 4/25 JoANN Moffett and Jaonie Kapell

Wednesdays: Route 1

Jeff Post and Kent Ramos—Every Week

Wednesdays: Route 6

- 4/6 Shaun Morrow
- 4/13 Dan Ramos and Mike Campbell
- 4/20 Dustin Dumars and Pedro Cisneros
- 4/27 Steve and Donna Heringer



Katie Villegas and Guest Kayla Rodriquez



Bill Bevier



Steve Oren and Peter Anderson



Alicia Mittleman



**Syliva
Fitzgerald**

SPEAKER PROGRAM

April 8th

Joe Darin, The Kindness Movement

April 15th

RCBS Interact

April 22nd

IH- A Corporate Tragedy (Steve Heringer and Dick Marshall)

April 29th

Dr. Charyl Silva, Falconry

May 6th

KFBK Radio Personality Kitty



Future Rotarians

Speech Contest

March 4, 2022



MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

| Leadership Team | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| President | David Kamminga |
| President-Elect | Jaclyn Powell |
| Immediate Past President | John Raney |
| Secretary | Amy Busch |
| Treasurer | Dustin Dumars |
| Membership | Denice Domke |
| Speaker Chair | Dick Marshall |
| Interact Advisor | Kat Gallagher Charyl Silva |
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| Club Service | Shaun Morrow |
| International Service | Kumaraswamy Sivakumaran |
| Sergeant at Arms | Marty Garozzo |
| Social Media/PR | Peter Anderson |
| Finemasters | Chris Bradford Katie Villegas |
| Rotary Foundation | Barry Kalar |
| Vocational Service | David Santiago |
| Community Service | Shaun Morrow |
| Rotary Youth Exchange | Steve Oren |
| Meals on Wheels | Tom Wallace |
| Scholarships | Ken Wilson |
| Club Prayer | Marty Garozzo |



The morning club heard the door prize reached 4 digits so they sent their FUNdraiser Tom Engle

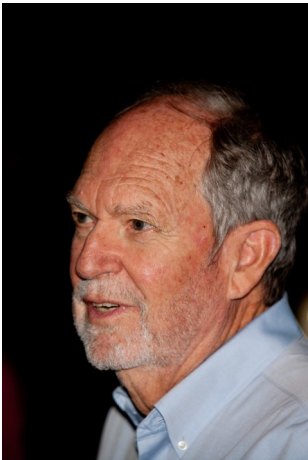


Ken Ruzich, Barry Kalar, and Joe Scheimer

| Birthdays & Anniversaries | |
|-----------------------------|------|
| April Birthdays | |
| Matt Morrow | 5th |
| Clark Cameron | 23rd |
| Barry Kalar | 25th |
| Judy Ratley | 27th |
| April Anniversaries | |
| Chris and Stina Bradford | 11th |
| Tom and Nell Wallace | 16th |
| Alicia and Andrew Mittleman | 26th |
| Dan and Julie Ramos | 29th |



Left: Tom Wallace
Top Left: Jay Stewart and Christian Montgomery
Top Right: Ed Rounthwaite
Right: John Raney



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

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Deadline for all materials you would like published in the CHIPS is Tuesdays!



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?

PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

Dawnte Early-West

Dawnte has been approved by the Board as a prospective member. If an active member has any concerns or objections to a proposed new member, he/she should contact Membership Chair Denice Domke, or any Rotary Club of West Sacramento Board Member.

Sylvia is a proposed new member by Quirina Orozco.

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YOUR LINKS TO ROTARY

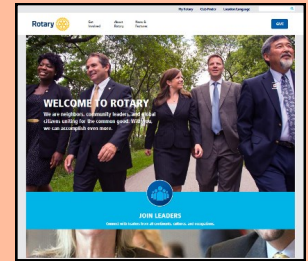


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2021-2022
Rotary International President
Shekhar Mehta



2021-2022
Rotary District 5180 Governor
Desiree Wilson



2021-2022
Rotary District 5180 Assistant Governor
Martha Ng



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

| Day | Who | When | Website | Who | When | Website |
|------|---------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Mon | Foothill Highlands | 12:15pm | Foothillhighlandslotary.org | Walnut Grove | 12:30pm | Walnutgrooverotary.org |
| | Oroville | 12:00pm | Rotaryoroville.com | Fair Oaks | 6:00 pm | Rotaryfair Oaks.org |
| Tues | Oroville Sunrise | 7:00am | Portal.clubrunner.ca/8432 | Midtown-Sacramento | 5:30 pm | Midtownsacrotary.org |
| | Sacramento | 12:00 pm | Rotarysacramento.org | Carmichael | 6:30 pm | Carmichaelrotary.org |
| | West Sacramento Centennial | 7:00 am | Portal.clubrunner.ca/9129 | Rancho Cordova | 12:15pm | RotaryclubofranchoCordova.org |
| Wed | Arden Arcade | 12:00 pm | Ardenarcaderotary.com | | | |
| | Folsom Lake | 12:00 pm | Folsomlakerotary.org | South Placer | 11:45 am | Southplacerrotary.org |
| | El Dorado Hills | 7:15am | Edhrotary.org | Citrus Heights | 12:15pm | Chrotary.org |
| | Laguna Sunrise | 7:45am | Portal.clubrunner.ca/9112 | Elk Grove | 12:00 pm | Elkgroverotary.org |
| | East Sacramento | 12:00 pm | Portal.clubrunner.ca/2027 | Yuba City | 12:15pm | Portal.clubrunner.ca/9130 |
| | Historic Folsom | 7:00am | Historicfolsomrotary.org | Lincoln | 12:00 pm | LincolnCaRotary.org |
| | Clarksburg | 6:00 pm | Portal.clubrunner.ca/13810 | Placer Valley Sunrise | 7:00 am | Placervalleysunriserotary.com |
| Thu | South Yuba County Sunrise | 7:00 am | Portal.clubrunner.ca/9131 | South Sacramento | 11:45 am | Southsacrotary.org |
| | Pocket-Greenhaven | 7:30 am | Pgr.rocks | Folsom | 6:30 pm | Folsomrotary.org |
| | North Sacramento | 12:00 pm | Portal.clubrunner.ca/4563 | Roseville | 12:00 pm | Rosevillerotary.org |
| | Marysville | 12:00 pm | RotaryClubofMarysville.org | Gridley | 12:00 pm | Rotary5180.org/clubinfo/gridley |
| Fri | Greater Sacramento Passport One | 6:00 pm | Rotarypassport.org | | | |
| | Orangevale | 7:00 am | Portal.clubrunner.ca/9117 | Natomas | 7:15 am | Portal.clubrunner.ca/9116 |
| | Point West | 7:30 am | Pointwestrotary.com | Granite Bay | 12:00 pm | Portal.clubrunner.ca/9110 |