

Proud Rotarbabe Bellringers from 2016-2017

There are many proud grandparents in our membership. Some got to welcome another Rotarbabe into their family this year.

Bob Walker rang the bell for his 19th grandchild, *Dakota Joan Walker*.

Mike Campbell range the bell for his grandson.

President Bill rang the bell for his 3rd grandchild, *Thomas Allan Panziera*.

Steve Oren rang the bell for grandson, *Hudson Patrick*.

Mark Engstrom celebrated a grandchild.

Dan Ramos, proud new grandpa, rang the bell for his 1st grandchild, *Ellie Renee*.

Finally, member **Amy Busch** welcomed her son, Rotarbabe *Matthew Pete*.

Pass the Hat! The club gave generously this year.

Camp RYLA pass the hat and 3 bellringers to raise funds for River City High School Interact students to attend.

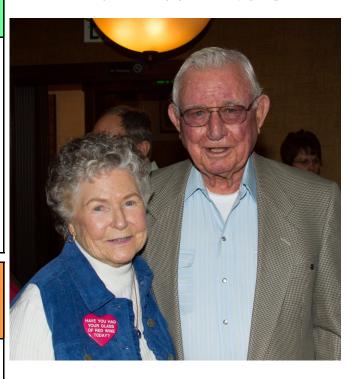
The Club Passed the Hat to raise the required funds to sponsor a light in the **RePower the Tower** project. The club will make up the difference so the club meets the \$750 requirement.

Boy Scout Troop 83 of Clarksburg. By the end of the meeting, including all of the Bell Ringers and a Pass-The-Hat, a total of \$2,031 was raised to help support their plans for the entire troop to travel to Colorado this summer.



DISTRICT 5180 ROTARIAN HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

DAVE WILSON



DISTRICT 5180 ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

LEE HARRIS





Rotarians at Work



Rotary at Work with the Roger Berry Sculpture

The Roger Berry sculpture in the Clarksburg Community Park is a great story to share. Roger Berry is an internationally recognized metal sculptor that lives in Clarksburg and is a past member of our club. He built the sculpture, Don Clark and Clark Pacific donated the 2.5 ton foundation, the Club members donated over \$600.00 for materials for the installation, and Club members contributed approximately 150 hours to installing the sculpture and renovating the park grounds.



The installation project included digging a two foot deep hole and filling it with a foot of gravel. Then, the 2.5 ton pre-cast foundation was placed in, and concrete was poured over the surface of the foundation. The foundation portion of the project was an Eagle Scout Project for Nick Garbutt, of Troop 83.

Submitted by Mighty Mike Campbell



Roger Berry's sculpture is sliding into Clark Pacific's foundation.



(left to right)
Mighty Mike Campbell, Eagle Scout Nick
Garbutt, and Sculptor Roger Berry

MEALS ON WHEELS





This year we were finally able to expand our Meals on Wheels involvement to take on a new route. This involved getting five new volunteers and increased involvement of three longtime volunteers. Of the five new volunteers, two are new club members who have recognized that getting involved right away makes Rotary more fun and more meaningful. Our club is now delivering seven routes, providing about 80 to 110 healthy lunches each month to elderly and/or disabled West Sacramento residents. Most of our Rotarian volunteers have been delivering since we first took on this project, which is at least 12 years ago.

Submitted by **Terrific Tom Wallace**

From Vocational Service we had 4 significant activities.....

- 1. Vocational Visit to the Sierra Donor Services facility in March to get an overview of their operation handling organ donations, to include eye cornea's.
- 2. Annual Vocational Service Award Luncheon in April were we recognize some of our Community Patron Saints -- Police and Fire Officer's of the year (City of West Sacramento, Clarksburg Volunteer Fire Agency, Yolo County Sheriff's and CHP); Teacher's and School Counselors of the year for West Sacramento and Clarksburg.
- 3. Vocational Visit to the Washington Unified School District Career Educational Training Center that handles Vocational training and certifications for youth and adults in the District.
- 4. Started discussions with Washington Unified School District to establish a Mentoring program between students and members of our Clubs. Who knows how this will be structured and what it will turn into. Vision stage at this point.

Submitted by **Drew Gidlof**

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I'll Drink to That

Do you realize that a single beer has more clean water in it than many people get in an entire day? Or that 8,000 people, including 3,000 children, die each day from diseases caused by unsafe water?

The Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill, CA, is trying to get more people to drink beer through the efforts of its Rotary Fellowship called BREW (Beers Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide). BREW is co-sponsored by the Rotary Club of Accra-West, Ghana, Toronto Rotary and others. Where do I sign up??

The Fellowship plans to approach local and major brewers to donate a portion of their beer sales at special events to support water projects. This is modeled on the non-profit Water.org, which has received \$1.2 million from Stella Artois.

Test question: Does beer fulfill the 4-Way Test? Is it the truth? Yes, Is it fair to all concerned? Yes. Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Yes. Will it be beneficial to all concerned? Yes.

Submitted by Paul Kolarik

The Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento in the News!

The club's story ROTARY ROUNDUP Habitat for Humanity: Building Homes and Communities is published in:



West Sacramento's local online newspaper WestSacWeb.com (online, 2/25/17, now posting): http://westsacweb.com/rotary-roundup-realizing -the-american-dream-p5027-146.htm

And in the West Sacramento News Ledger (May 3, 2017 edition, page 2 and 3), West Sacramento's long-time local weekly.

The club's story Rotary Club of West Sacramento Honors West Sac/Clarksburg firefighters, police & educators is published in:

West Sacramento's local online newspaper WestSacWeb.com (online, 2/25/17, now posting): http://westsacweb.com/rotary-honors-west-sacclarksburg-firefighters-police-educators-p5039-146.htm

And in the West Sacramento News Ledger (May 3, 2017 edition, page 3), West Sacramento's long-time local weekly.

Does this club know how to Rotary Up or what!?!

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THE INTERNATIONAL PROJECT THAT ALMOST HAPPENED

On A cold, wet Friday morning at 6am, 4 West Sacramento Rotary Club members and 2 Interact members from River City High School, met at **Judith Ratley's** house on the levee of the Sacramento River.

We were treated with a breakfast and coffee and got ready for our trip to Tijuana where we would be building a house for a family who needed and deserved it.

Judith had conveniently damaged her own car and had for this

occasion rented a spacious van in which we all could fit including our own belongings as well as those of the **Troy Bird** family.

Troy and his family, being better raised than driving in a van to Mexico had arranged a

Plane from Sacramento to San Diego, where we would meet up and together cross the border to the camp in Tijuana.

An hour into the ride on I-5 south with Judith behind the wheel, I had seen more rain than I ever remember from my childhood in Denmark, wipers on fast and so was the van, I believe this was one

of the days in history in which California was getting the most rain ever. The storm was moving south I saw on my phone and so were we.

In Lebec we stopped for fuel and food, I remember Paul Kolarik saying to Judith not to hit the big rocks surrounding the gas station as it could damage the bottom of the van, hahaha little did we Know...

Gas tank full and great burritos from Chipotle next door, (not hitting

any rocks) we were ready to take on the second half of this days excitement and meet up with the Birds in San Diego, then a text came from Troy, plane delayed again, due to bad weather, hmm bad weather? A

river was flowing down towards us on the I-5 south up the Grapevine, Paul was now behind the wheel and did not show any fear of the conditions the weather or road were dealing us, what could possible go wrong?

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THE INTERNATIONAL PROJECT THAT ALMOST HAPPENED

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BANG! Was the sound of a rather large rock rolling down the hill on the side of the road then over the first three lanes and in under the van Judith had rented and in which we were all comfortably sitting minding our own business and texting to our nearest about the worlds end and how it would be a good time to seek higher grounds.

½ mile later, the burning oil smell was awful and Paul, together with the blown transmission made the decision to pull over to the side of

the road, no visibility but we believed it would be the side of the road. Positive thoughts came to many of us, "We just call the rental company and they get us a new van" the rental company had little or no clue as to how they could help us, after couple of hours they told us we could run

over the 8 lane freeway and seek shelter at the fire station, (6 foot concrete barrier dividing North and South and zero visibility)

Later another rental company took the chance of winning some goodwill and future customers. Enterprise sent a driver up the

hill after the rocks had been cleared and took us and our stuff (and Troy's) from the van to a new functional van and drove us to Bakersfield. Papers signed and all

we decided it was not the time for us to try running south again but crossed over to I-5 North and set for Harris Ranch where we had a great dinner and exchange of words about the days experience, I believe we all agreed we would do it again some time.



Submitted by Past President Heine







MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

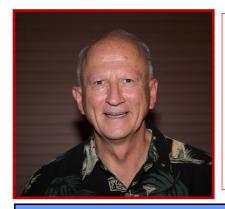


WEST SACRAMENTO ROTARIAN SPOTLIGHT



Judy Ratley

Judy quietly goes above and beyond for the membership and the various projects in which our Club participates. She has opened her home on more than one occasion to the Interact Club, most recently to host their Prom Dinner. She has participated in the Rotary International Trip, has taken notes for me, and has all around lend a huge helping hand whenever needed. Thank you Judy!



Technically he's a New Member too!

> **Finally** inducted after 35 years



RedBADGEr Joe



RedBADGErs Sandy Yuyama and Mark Roberts



RedBADGErs Elizabeth Munguia with husband Mick Esquivel

2016-2017 **RedBADGErs**

Mark Krausse Kevin Baldwin Linda Luna Lori Dawn Hawkins Verna Sulpizio Quirina Orozco Phillip Nance **Jim Minewiser** Amy Busch **NickEsquivel** Mark Roberts Sandy Yuyama Elizabeth Esquivel (aka Munguia) Joe Villanueva









RedBADGErs Amy, Jim, Kevin, and Phillip



RedBADGErs Verna Sulpizio, Linda Luna, Quirina Orozco, and Lori Dawn Hawkins

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

These members have been recognized with Paul Harris Awards during the 2016-2017 year.

Heine Roikjer, +5

Bob Ceccato, +3

Ken Wilson, +6

Drew Gidlof, +5

Siva. +2

President Bill, +2

Tim Kwong, +4

Mark Engstrom, Paul Harris for Club Service

Heine Roikjer, +6

Doug Dickson

Wayne Enke, +5

Paul Kolarik, +5

Dave Kamminga, Paul Harris for Club Service

Amanda Bailey

Rotary Up!!!

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

2016-2017 Club Service Award Honoree

David Kamminga

For nearly forty years, our club has presented a Club Service Paul Harris Award. When a member is recognized with a club service award, we know that two things have happened:

- 1. The club has purchased a Paul Harris Fellowship from the Rotary Foundation in the recipient's
- 2. Previous recipients of the Club Service Award conducted a special meeting to select a very deserving member.

This year I have been asked to represent our previous Club Service Award honoree's to announce this year's selection. Many Rotary clubs give an annual "Rotarian of the Year" award. Not the Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento. We tend to do things a bit different on this side of the river. Because our Club Service Award is more than that. Rotarians that have earned this honor have year after year offered extraordinary service to

Rotary, with a particular emphasis on service to our own club. Often they

have worked behind the scenes, serving for a year or more in several key positions, planned social events, organized fundraisers, served on the Board of Directors and often have also served as club President. As a group, they have consistently and generously given us their most valuable possessions, their time and energy.

These efforts did not go unnoticed and as a result, they have earned our club's highest honor. The fact that this selection is made by the award's previous winners makes it all the more significant.

Before I make the official announcement I would like to share a couple of fun facts about this individual:

Our honoree has served on the board, in the field doing hands-on work, and behind the scenes for years. Our honoree has traveled aboard on more than one occasion.

Our honoree lives in the hometown that he was raised in. I would call him a fellow Delta River Rat. His son has attended functions with him in the past.

He can run an estimate like no one else, is an avid musician, thespian and photographer.

The Rotary Club of West Sacramento is honored to announce **DAVID KAMMINGA** as the 2016 - 2017 Club Service award winner.

Dave has truly taken "Service Above Self" to heart by working for years behind the scenes without public recognition. Mark is a leader by example in our community and in our club.

Dave please come forward to be presented your Paul Harris in recognition of your selection as our latest "Club Service Award" honoree.

Submitted by **Drew Gidlof**







Future Rotarians



Yolo Grad Night and Scholarships



Wednesday night was really the best Yolo HS grad night I went to even though both Bill and I left right after we gave out the club awards. The seats were pretty full in Crest Theatre. The families and friends were as supporting and loud as any time I have done this. This must be

my 5th time that I personally assisted in awarding the students from Yolo. The student speakers were excellent. Very moving talks about their experiences in life and how they decided to "buck up", get some education, and move forward. Obviously they had no real quality upbringing and therefore had to fend for themselves and making many mistakes along their early life's way. To see an 18 year old, his mother, and his grandmother all graduating together was very moving. As Mom started her speech and get overcome with emotion, her son walked up from the rest of the graduating class and stood by her side with a gentle pat on the back to encourage her to keep talking. The crowd was yelling "Keep going. You can do it." Very emotional for me and Bill too I think. The audience was so supportive and you could feel that they were there all together, celebrating with the students. This was a ceremony that I won't forget.

-Ken Wilsor

This year the Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento awarded \$25,000 to deserving students from Rive City, Delta, and Yolo High Schools.

Chunks from the Buzzsaw

River City High School Interact Club News

Thank you to the Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento for supporting the RCHS Interact Club. The Interactors raised money for Polio Plus, Heifer International, and for Amor (three student volunteers to build a home in Mexico. The students partnered with the West Sacramento Rec Center for the Halloween and Easter events requiring about forty Interact volunteers for each event. I'm proud to say the students know the 4-Way Test and the seed has been planted to be our Future Rotarians.

Submitted by Charyl Silva

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE (RYE) UPDATE

Submitted by Steve Oren

The West Sacramento Club is fortunate enough to be sponsoring three (3) young women to participate in our world class Rotary Youth Exchange program. Lexie Louie, our current outbound student is about to be wrapping up her visit in Japan. In fact, Darrell Fong, her uncle, and his family are currently visiting Lexie in Japan. Darrell Fong's family served as Helena Rofes Gilbert's second host family. Of course, Helena, is our current inbound exchange student from Spain. The Fong family loved her so much they invited her to go along with then to Japan to visit Lexie. Helena's time with us is about to end. She has finished school at Kennedy High School and has her ticket home. She leaves July 8th. We will miss her. She has had a positive experience but is anxious to see her family again.

As we prepare for one to leave, we look forward to receiving another in August. We have 15 year-old Ellen Kohler from Ravensburg, Germany arriving August 12th. She comes from a small German town that is just north of Switzerland. No doubt she will love our Sierra Nevada mountains when she attends the annual RYE ski trip in January. Ellen will live with Quincy Gonzalez' family as her first host family and attending River City High School. Quincy is our American student we are sending to Spain this coming year. As a matter of fact, she is supposed to be living in a town close to Barcelona and will have a chance to see Helena while she is living there.

At our meeting on August 25th, we all will have a chance to say out last good-bye to Quincy and first hello to Ellen. Quincy leaves September 1st for her year-long grand tour of Spain, not too bad for a little girl from West Sacramento. Please make them both feel appreciated and welcome.



Charyl Silva, President Bill, Mr. Duff (RCHS Interact Staff Adviser, and the Interact Board Members

\$\$\$ FUNdraising \$\$\$

Because our Mighty club knows how to have FUN while raising FUNds

There are currently a number of big holes to fill in the shift sign ups for the Fireworks booth. This includes three shifts of the 4th, where about 50% of sales will likely occur. So far 30 members, some in a big way, have stepped up to help with this very important fundraiser for the Club and the non-profit that is counting on us. That leaves about 60 members still uncommitted. I know that some of you will be gone over the Holiday weekend, and that for some of our truly senior members this is a tough signment, and their past involvement is what has made this such a great club. We still have three important high volume time slots that need our immediate attention. Sunday the 2nd 7:00-10:30, and Tuesday the 4th 3:30 -7:00 and 7:00-10:30. So please, do what you can to help. If you are already signed up for a full slot that won't be nearly as busy like Thursday, Friday, or a heavily volunteered morning slot, please consider changing times if you can. Either go to the link, or just let me know when you can fill in and I will be happy to take care of the signup.

Submitted by **Shaun Morrow**



Fundraiser Recap



The 1-4-24 dice tournament was loads of fun last winter and raised a good chunk of dough. \$2, 727 to be exact.



The Christmas Food Drive - we set another club record raising \$2, 664 for the West Sacramento Christmas Basket Project. Again you'll find the amount in your CHIPS article that covered it, but I think it was around \$3000.

Submitted by Tim Carnahan



Save the Dates!

Leadership Team

President

*Bill Bevier

Past President

*Heine Roikjer

President-Elect

*Jim Cahill

Treasurer

*Chris Bradford

Secretary

*Peter Anderson

Sergeant at Arms

Wayne Enke

Membership

*Tim Kwong

The Rotary Foundation

*Barry Kalar

Community Service

*Christian Montgomery Denise Seals

International Service

*Paul Kolarik

Vocational Service

*Drew Gidlof

Club Service

*Shaun Morrow

Generational Services

*Joanie Kapell and *JoAnn Moffett

Program Speakers

*Dan Ramos and *Troy Bird

Interact Counselor

*Charyl Silva

Bulletin Editor

Amanda Bailey –Interim

Revenue Maker

*Jaclyn Powell

Grant Administration

Luan Christ

Sunshine Chair

Kathleen O'Leary

Business Liaison

*Dan Ramos

Publicity Chair

*Carol Bogart

*Board Member

Birthdays & Anniversaries

June Birthdays

Dick Uno 1st
Paul Kolarik 3rd
Danny Ramos 5th
Joanie Kapell 13th
Mike Campbell 21st
Jeb Burton 28th

June Anniversaries

Ken and Liz Ruzich

Jamie Reamer and Justin Scripps
Postman and Pam Post
Tim and Gloria Carnahan
Joanie Kapell and Ron
Bob Collins and Luan Christ
Charlie and Mrs. Frank
Steve and Marta Lewis

1st — 50 yrs
5th — 13 yrs
11th — 40 yrs
18th — 34 yrs
19th — 37 yrs
21st — 20 yrs
26th — 7 yrs
27th — 21 yrs

Club Calendar

1st Annual Steak Dinner Dance-7/27, Old Sugar Mill, Clarksburg, CA

District Summer Picnic-8/27, Details to follow



"Bill has had many great meetings and events, but the onethat sticks in my mind as the best memory for me was the Anniversary

Dinner Party. We hada a great presentation, plus live music entertainment, and I got to dance and spin the lady singer "like a top"! All the best to you Bill."

-Jeff and Pam Post





**Notes Non Rotarian Volunteer

Mondays: Route 1

7/17 Luan Christ and Tim Carnahan

Mondays: Route 5

7/3 Jeanne* and Mike*

7/10 Joanie Kapell and JoAnn Moffett

7/17 Paul Kolarik

7/24 Dick Marshall and Troy Bird

Wednesdays: Route 2

7/5 John raney and Elizabeth Munguia

7/12 Tim Kwong and Carol Bogart

7/19 Lee Harris and Erica Bearden

7/26 Jeff Post and Nick Esquivel

Wednesdays: Route 5

7/5 Marty Garozzo and Susan Griffin

7/12 Gina Borges and Jim Cahill

7/19 Jeff Post and Kent Ramos

7/26 Lyle Bassett and Bob Ceccato

Thursdays: Route 1

7/6 Tom Wallace and Tissy Simmons

7/13 Steve Heringer and Robb White*

7/20 Ken Ruzich

7/27 JohnRaney

Thursdays: Route 2

7/6 Leonor Dicdican and Barry Kalar

7/13 Ron Morazzini and Len Thomas

7/20 Jon Pearman

7/27 Mike Campbell and Dan Ramos

Thursdays: Route 5

7/6 Mark Engstrom

7/13 Shaun Morrow

Tim Carnahan, his wife Gloria, Tim Kwong and Siva





Steve Oren and his wife Emily

Rotary International President

John F. Germ



Carol Bogart and Bob Ceccato



Barry Kalar and Past Past President Heine



President Bill pins the President pin of President Elect Jim Cahill



2016-2017 Rotary District 5180 Governor Barbara J. Tracy



Outgoing Interact Adviser Charyl Silva and Incoming Interact Adviser Lee Harris





District 5180 Rotary	y Clubs Meeting 1	Fimes and Locations So	o You Can Make U	lp Each Week
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Day	Who	When	Where	Who	When	Where
Mon	Foothill Highlands	12:15pm	Lions Gate at McClellan Park	Walnut Grove	12:30pm	Tony's Place
MIOH	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
	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)			