



70 Years of Service Above Self



"Mighty is as Mighty Does"

Chips from the Buzzsaw

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Jim Engstrom and the West Sacramento Rotary Foundation

By Mike Campbell

Our Past President Jim Engstrom was born and raised in Woodland, CA. He attend CSU Chico and earned a Masters Degree in Accounting from Golden Gate University. After starting his CPA career with Price Waterhouse in Sacramento, Jim established his own CPA firm in 1989. He is also a partner with his brother, Past President Mark, in their property management and development company Engstrom Properties.

In 1994 while serving as the Treasurer of our Club, Jim observed that \$6,000 of the \$9,000 that was being raised in dues was going to support scholarships. He realized that this was not financially sustainable. In 1997, he and Past President Bob Collins created the West Sacramento Rotary Foundation to raise scholarship funds outside of the finances of our Club. They started with \$36,000 and in 21 years the Foundation's assets have grown to nearly \$700,000. Jim proudly reported that over this period the Foundation has given out over \$275,000 to 250 scholarship recipients in West Sacramento and Clarksburg.

Jim was quick to give the credit for this remarkable story to the many donors and the Past Presidents that make up the Board of Directors.

However, it is obvious to all that know the story that much of the credit can be given to Jim. He has been the Foundation's Champion since 1997. Thank you Jim for your dedication to create and sustain an organization that is changing the lives of local high school graduates. Also, thank you to Bob Collins for his service as the Co-Founder of the West Sacramento Rotary Foundation.

Mighty is as Mighty Does!

BIRDISM

**You aren't wealthy
until you have
something money
can't buy.**



Club 558 of District 5180
PO Box 288
West Sacramento, CA
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Meets Every Friday at
Club Pheasant, 12:15

MEETING RECAP

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Visiting Rotarians and Guests

July 27, 2018

CORRECTIONS

Guests

Amanda Bailey—Bill
Bevier's daughter
**Brennan and Isaac
Parsons—Ike Parson's son
and grandson
Alexis—David Santiago's
daughter**

Visiting Rotarians

Don Schatzel—West
Sacramento Centennial
**Leslie Arnal—North
Sacramento
Greg Higley—North
Sacramento
Tammi Linker—Elk Grove**



Visiting Rotarians and Guests

August 3, 2018

Guests

Konrad Roikjer—Heine's son
Jon Hood — Dustin Dumars
Neil Busch—Amy's husband
Lucas and Matthew Busch—Any's sons
Lauren—Kent Ramos' daughter

Visiting Rotarians

Dan Salazar—Walnut Grove
Craig Stevenson—South Sacramento

August 3, 2018

Meeting Summary

Presiding: **Troy Bird**
Pledge: **Barry Kalar**
Opening Blessing: **Troy Bird**
"In Remembrance of Bill Ramos"
Song: **Tom Wallace**
"America the Beautiful"
Raffle: **Amy Busch** 9 of Spades
Foundation Drawing: **Barry Kalar**

WEST SAC ROTARY'S MIGHTY HISTORY

August 24, 1981—THIS WEEK

This week's meeting featured a presentation by a representative of the Shell Oil Co., who was introduced by none other than our own Shell Answer Man, Bill Ramos. Some very sobering thoughts regarding the possibility of a major confrontation in the Middle East between the major world powers were conveyed during the presentation.

ROTARY SERVING THE COMMUNITY

West Sacramento Rotary Foundation Major Donor Awards



The artwork above depicts the Reamer Fellowship Medallion (top center), and Foundation Lapel Pins, with either no gems, Sapphires, Rubies or Diamonds. The stones hold little monetary value, but they represent a major commitment to improving the educational opportunities for our local youth.

Reamer Fellowship

\$1,000 Donation (Medallion with Sash)

Multiple Reamer Fellowship

\$2,000 (Medallion and Framed Certificate)

Lifetime Steward

\$5,000 (Foundation Lapel Pin without gems)

Legacy Partner

\$10,000 (Foundation Lapel Pin with 4 Sapphires)

*Scholarship Partner

\$25,000 (Foundation Lapel Pin with 4 Rubies)

An annual \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded in the name designated by the Donor.

*Multiple Scholarship Partner

\$50,000 (Foundation Lapel Pin with 4 Diamonds)

Two annual \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded in the name designated by the Donor.

Enhancing Educational Opportunities

The West Sacramento Rotary Foundation



Why Was It Formed?
How Did It Grow?
What Does It Do?
What's In It For Me?

Preface:

Our club has been providing scholarships to local high school grads almost since our club was formed in 1949. To date the Foundation has awarded more than \$275,000 to hundreds of River City, Yolo and Delta high school graduates.

The inspiration for these scholarships came from Charter Member 'Pappy' Reamer, whose personal example of giving scholarships is credited with inspiring our club's commitment to do the same.

Here's a little background about our club's scholarship tradition and the Foundation we have formed to make sure we will continue helping our local youth forever.

Many members consider this to be our club's finest achievement.

The Rotary Club of West Sacramento
2018



Why Was It Formed?

For many years the awards were simply funded from that year's club budget – often with great hardship as the scholarships used such a large percentage of our fund.

In 1973, charter member **Eugene Williams** stood up at a meeting and announced he would auction off his car – right then and there – to start up a savings account that might eventually fund our annual scholarships. His car brought in \$4,500 - a very generous donation, especially in those days! Someone in the meeting observed that Eugene had "put wheels on the scholarship bus".

The idea was that our club would continue contributing to that account over the years, and to let it and its earnings grow untouched until the day that it could 'endow' (provide the scholarship money from its earnings alone). This money was known among members simply as our "Scholarship Fund".

For 25 years the club continued to make donations and never touched the funds, but by 1996 the account had only grown to about \$30,000 – far less than needed to generate our club's scholarships. Then Club President **Tom Wallace** transferred the funds into an investment account with the idea of earning a higher rate of return than a simple bank savings account.

In 1998 **Jim Engstrom** and **Bob Collins** helped our club establish the West Sacramento Rotary Foundation, a fully qualified charitable 501-C3 trust, and all the money from the scholarship account was transferred to our new Foundation.

How Did It Grow?

While we were earning a higher rate of return, clearly additional funding would be needed to reach our scholarship goals. Late in 2002 the Foundation launched a fundraising effort named the 'Legacy Campaign', with the goal of increasing the funds to \$100,000. The results exceeded our expectations. 46 West Sac Rotarians pledged over \$103,000 to be collected over a three year period. This increased our fund to new heights, but it was still well short of the monies needed to 'endow' our

scholarships.

In 2005 our club held its first 'Night at the Races' with all profits (over \$80,000) going to the Foundation. Subsequent fundraisers like our annual 'Crab Feed' and 'Fireworks Booth' have continued to donate a substantial portion of their profits to the Foundation.

It's all been a huge success. From our 2002 Legacy Campaign through 2018, over 300 individuals and business had donated to the West Sacramento Rotary Foundation, and of those, 56 ~~individuals~~ or businesses had each donated \$1,000 or more. Our total investment recently reached \$660,000.

What Does It Do?

The Foundation continues to raise and invest money for future scholarships. In 2006 it began making distributions to the West Sacramento Rotary Club for awarding scholarships.

By 2018 the Foundation had given our club over \$275,000 for local scholarships. The amount donated is based on a well-established formula - the lesser of the previous year's earnings or 5% of the funds assets.

It is important to note that the Foundation does not select the scholarship recipients. Our club's scholarship selection committee screens, interviews and selects each year's winners.

What's In It For Me?

Today, a person who donates \$1,000 or more to the West Sacramento Rotary Foundation receives a special medallion in honor of 'Pappy' Reamer, known as the **Reamer Fellowship**.

But it only begins there! Check out the illustrations and descriptions on the back page of this brochure. They depict various award levels honoring continued giving to our Foundation.

These awards have very little monetary value. But they represent a rich legacy of providing educational opportunity for our local youth. So what's in it for us? Just the knowledge that we are making a difference!

BILL RAMOS

July 29, 1925 - August 1, 2018



William "Bill" Ramos, beloved by family and friends passed away peacefully August 1, 2018, surrounded by his loving family. Born of humble beginnings to Frank and Mary Ramos on July 29, 1925 in Fairfield, California, Bill Ramos began his life's journey as a one-of-a-kind, generous, loving man who made a difference in the lives of everyone he touched.

Bill, or Papa to his family, grew up in the Delta of the Sacramento River and learned the value of family and hard work early on.

At an age barely eligible to join the service, Bill was inspired by a strong sense of patriotism, and enlisted in the United States Navy during World War II. As the son of Spanish immigrants, Bill proudly defended the values of our country by serving four years of active duty in the Pacific theater of the war.

Stationed on an oil tanker during the war, Bill quickly learned about the distribution of oil, and used that knowledge when he returned

home after the war to build a future for his family. In doing so, he began a working relationship with Shell Oil delivering oil and ultimately realized that there was more value in distributing than delivering oil. Bill left Shell and founded the Ramos Oil Company, in 1951 in West Sacramento. The headquarters of Ramos Oil remains at the West Sacramento office today.

One of Bill's strongest core beliefs was to demonstrate gratitude for the blessings you receive by serving the needs of others and giving back to the community. In doing so he exercised the greatest degree of humility while sharing his blessing with so many. Bill could always be counted on to raise money for the church, give generously to his favorite charities and was widely known as someone who really would give you the shirt off his back. He was a longtime member of Our Lady of Grace Church in West Sacramento where he worshipped for over 30 years. Bill was also a member of the West Sacramento Rotary Club (he joined the club on July 1, 1976), the Grandfather's Club, the Sutter Club and held court regularly at Club Pheasant restaurant where he made and closed as many business deals here, as he did at Ramos Oil.

Submitted by President Troy Bird (his opening remarks from this past gathering)

In lieu of flowers, donations in Bill's name may be made to the West Sacramento Rotary Foundation or charity of your choice.

Family and friends are invited to a Rosary service at 7:00pm on Wednesday, August 8th, at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 911 Park Blvd., West Sacramento, and to the Mass of Christian Burial being offered Thursday, August 9th, at 11:00 am at St. Anthony's Catholic Church, 660 Florin Rd., Sacramento.

Save the Dates



JoAnn Moffett and Joanie Kappell



Ike Parsons and Visiting Rotarian Craig Stevenson



Someone comes to the meetings in style



Tim Carnahan before the meetings

Tom Wallace leads the song

Club Calendar

Yolo County Fair Beer Booth
August 15th-19th

No Meeting 8/31
The club will be DARK for Labor Day weekend.

Board of Directors Meeting
September 6th, 5:00
Yolo Brewing Company
1520 Terminal Street, West Sacramento

District Governor Visit
September 28th

SPEAKER PROGRAM

August 10th
Rick Kemmer
Strong Harvest

August 17th
Michele Clark
Yolo Land Trust

August 24th
Steve Beck
Historian

August 31st
DARK

September 7th
TBD



August 2018

****Notes Non Rotarian Volunteer**

Mondays: Route 1

8/27Tim and Gloria** Carnahan

Mondays: Route 5

8/6Dick Marshall and Troy Bird

8/13Jeanne** and Mike**

8/20Joanie Kapell and JoAnn Moffett

8/27Paul Kolarik and John Hills

Wednesdays: Route 2

8/1Jeff Post and Nick Esquivel

8/8John Raney and Elizabeth Munguia

8/15Tim Kwong

8/22Lee Harris

8/29Jeff Post and Nick Esquivel

Wednesdays: Route 5

8/1Lyle Bassett and Bob Ceccato

8/8Marty Garozzo

8/15Mark Roberts and Sandy Yuyama

8/22Jeff Post and Kent Ramos

8/29Lyle Bassett and Bob Ceccato

Thursdays: Route 1

8/2John Raney

8/9Tom Wallace and Tissy Simmons

8/16Steve and Donna** Heringer

8/23Ken Ruzich

8/30John Raney

Thursdays: Route 2

8/2Mike Campbell and Dan Ramos

8/9Leonor Diccican** and Barry Kalar

8/16Len Thomas and Amy Busch

8/23Carol Bogart and Dustin Dumars

8/30Mike Campbell and Dan Ramos

Thursdays: Route 5

8/9Mark Engstrom

8/16Shaun Morrow

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The President's Page

Service Above Self



“Mighty is as Mighty Does”



Above: Outgoing RYE student Skye with her grandmother

Below: President T-Bird Troy presents Skye with a banner to take to Taiwan



Bird's Poop

Be There or Be Square — The Importance of Rotary Attendance

Don't YOU enjoy our luncheons when everyone is there? Regular attendance is a direct measure of your interest in our Rotary club, and we MISS you if you're absent! Consider how many things your presence or absence affects.....

First, you'll certainly miss a superb keynote program, and being able to deliver a good crowd impacts our ability to ATTRACT those quality speakers. Second, your presence builds the sense of solid fellowship that draws new members, and if you're not there you also diminish your own ability to get a full VALUE out of Rotary. Third, we are a service organization founded on the principle of encouraging good works through friendships between members of different professions with our classification system. You are privileged to represent your profession or vocation within our group, and fellow members look forward to meeting with you to learn more about your profession. Finally, it's just plain FUN to meet up with our jovial crowd of good friends and true — SO.....BE THERE OR BE SQUARE AND LET US KNOW WHAT WE CAN DO TO MAKE OUR MEETINGS SO WORTHWILE THAT YOU WOULDN'T EVEN DREAM OF MISSING.

-T-Bird Troy

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

| Leadership Team | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| President | Troy Bird |
| President-Elect/Secretary | Peter Anderson |
| Treasurer | Chris Bradford Dustin Dumars |
| Past President | Jim Cahill |
| 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 |



Jaclyn Powell and
Tim Carnahan

| Birthdays & Anniversaries | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| August Birthdays | |
| Elizabeth Esquivel | 4th |
| Jim Clark | 7th |
| Tim Carnahan | 14th |
| Phillip Nance | 15th |
| Lee Harris | 17th |
| Amy Busch | 25th |
| Len Strickland | 30th |
| August Anniversaries | |
| Jeremiah and Lisa Smith | 10th, 15 years |
| Tim Kwong and Usha Dutt | 14th, 8 years |
| Ron and Julie Chambers | 16th, 33 years |
| Paul and Ellen Kolarik | 26th, 28 years |

CELEBRATIONS

| Bell Ringers |
|--|
| Amy Busch Craig Stevenson guest bell ringer |

| Kwong Gong |
|--------------|
| Mark Krausse |



Amy Busch and her family



Carol Bogart and visiting
Rotarian Dan Salazar



Amy Busch
draws the Nine
of Spades and
wins a free
lunch



Whenever one of our members or a member's spouse, child, grandchild, etc. has a serious issue such as illness, accident or tragedy.

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

MIGHTY Is As MIGHTY Does

Steve Oren



WEST SACRAMENTO ROTARIAN SPOTLIGHT

And *THANK YOU!!!*

Steve Oren

As our club's Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) adviser, Steve Oren consistently provides a great experience for both the outbound and inbound students that are sponsored by the Rotary Club of West Sacramento. He puts forth great efforts year to find welcoming, warm, and stable host families, provides support year-round to the needs of the RYE students, and will give the shirt off his back to help these students and their families, real and host families alike. Thank you for providing such a wonderful experience year after year from our club's RYE exchange student. Steve Oren truly is Mighty is as Mighty Does. Thank you!!!!

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.

The Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento in the News!

The club's story **Rotary Club of West Sacramento - Two Decades of Helping Homebound Seniors** is published in:

West Sacramento News Ledger, 8/1/2018, page 2

West Sacramento's local online newspaper [WestSacWeb.com](http://westsacweb.com) (online, 7/23/18, now posting): <http://westsacweb.com/rotary-club-of-west-sacramento-two-decades-of-helping-homebound-seniors-p5614-146.htm>

Is this a mighty club or what!?!

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The District 5180 fire relief efforts and fundraising is still ongoing.

70 Years of Service Above Self



"Mighty is as Mighty Does"

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?



Heine plays photographer



Kent Ramos and his daughter Lauren



Bill Bevier and Tom Wallace are playing hooky from Rotary. Fine worthy???
On a bicycling vacation in Washington



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YOUR LINKS TO ROTARY

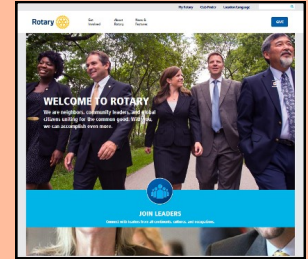


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2018-2019
Rotary International President
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2018-2019
Rotary District 5180 Governor
Jack Arney



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) | | | |