

## September is *Basic Education and Literacy* Month



**September 9th: Paul Wenger, California Farm Bureau President**  
**“The TRUTH About Agriculture”**

Third and fourth generation Wengers farm what used to be Paul Wenger's grandfather's dairy farm in Modesto (Paul, third, and his two sons). According to his Farm Bureau bio on the web: "Paul Wenger was elected president of the California Farm Bureau Federation in December 2009 and was elected to a fourth term in 2015. Wenger ... became a statewide officer in 1997 when he was elected second vice president. He was elected first vice president in 2005. He also served as a member of the CFBF board and chaired the CFBF Water Advisory Committee and the Board Water Development Task Force. He is a former president of the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau. In January 2011, he was elected to the American Farm Bureau Federation board of directors, and was re-elected in 2013 and 2015. ... Wenger farms almonds and walnuts on the family farm, which includes property purchased by his grandfather in 1910. His farming operations also include sharecropping, custom farm work and walnut hulling. He has expanded his operation to include processing and marketing of almonds and walnuts through his Wood Colony Nut Co., to provide an opportunity for the fourth generation of the family to vertically integrate into the family farming operation. Wenger attended Modesto Junior College before transferring to Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, where he earned a degree in animal science." Wenger told the club he initially planned to become a veterinarian, believing he could not make a living farming. Wenger noted that Clarksburg "has more California Farm Bureau Executives than any other city in California." He is a proponent of diverting Sacramento River water to the San Joaquin Valley and Southern California, and says those who believe pesticides and herbicides used by farmers pollute air and water "don't understand farming." He said California is "the only state" that has rules protecting field laborers regarding heat-caused illness and pesticide exposure and has an agriculture labor relations board. He agreed with long-time Clarksburg agriculturalist (vineyards, orchards, wine), **Dave Wilson**, that if water is siphoned and diverted, it should only happen in winter when, Wilson said, "We have lots of water." Wenger diverting the water would address a 'real issue' – land sinking because aquifers are being over-pumped. The groundwater, he said, would recover if farmers pumped less. Asked by new West Sac CEO Verna Sulpizio what he thought of the 'farm to fork' movement – Wenger said, "It's marketing. A feel good thing." Club member **Ike Parsons** asked if marijuana growers should belong to Farm Bureau. Wenger said within the organization, it's been discussed, but since now, marijuana, federally, remains illegal, the answer was no. But, he said, he wouldn't doubt that some Farm Bureau members aren't already growing marijuana. California, Wenger said earlier, produces 350 different commodities; more fruits and vegetables than any other state, and is "an agricultural powerhouse."



## **Chips from the Buzzsaw**

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### **SPEAKER PROGRAM**

**September 16th**  
**Gary Roberts**  
**Shriners Hospital**  
**Clown/Hobo Volunteer**

**September 23rd**  
**Len Strickland**  
**West Sacramento AAU**

**September 30th**  
**Senior U.S. Navy Officers**  
**Sacramento Navy Week**

**October 7th**  
**Evan Kelfer**  
**2015/2016 RYE Student to**  
**Argentina**  
**“My Experiences as an American**  
**Exchange Student”**

**October 14th**  
**Mike Pereira**  
**2016 NFL Season**

**October 21st**  
**OPEN**

**October 28th**  
**OPEN**



Club 558 of District 5180  
PO Box 288  
West Sacramento, CA  
95691  
Meets Every Friday at  
Club Pheasant, 12:15 pm

September 9, 2016—Meeting Summary

Presiding: **Bill Bevier**  
Pledge: **Andy Wallace**  
Opening Blessing: **Bill Bevier**  
*Blessing on Rotarians’ good deeds and in the community and for members as they travel from work and home.”*  
Song Leader: **Jim Cahill** (noting that Songmaster Dick Marshall has missed two meetings in a row and President Bill should fine him) *“The Star Spangled Banner”*  
Polio Plus Drawing: **Bill Bevier**  
Raffle: **Kathleen (KO) O’Leary**, drew the 9 of Clubs (\$590 pot)

PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

**Linda Luna**



**Linda (pictured with sponsor Barry Kalar) has been approved by the Board as a prospective member. If an active member has any concerns or objections to a propose new member, he/she should contact Membership Chair Tim Kwong, or any Rotary Club of West Sacramento Board Member.**

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.



**Above: Troy Bird and his wife Kris**  
**Below: Carol and Jim have fun with the 4-way test**

Chunks from the Buzzsaw

River City High School Interact Club News



**RCHS Interact Club face painting practice**



Bell Ringers

**Bill Bevier** for forgetting to tell Club Pheasant there was no meeting (the club was dark on 9/2 and the restaurant’s staff “had the room set up” for the meeting. Sunshine Chair Kathleen (KO) O’Leary groused, “I was here.” President Bill laughed and said, “Well aren’t YOU the ray of sunshine.” KO was assured her presence at the dark meeting would make up for a missed meeting lif any.)  
**Len Strickland** celebrated his birthday.  
**Luan Christ** for a missed meeting.

Visitors and Guests  
September 9th, 2016

Guests

- Nell Wallace—Tom Wallace**  
**Verna Sulpizio—Andy Wallace**  
**Chris Bird—Troy Bird**  
**Lori Dawn Lackey—Tim Kwong**

### 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

**5 Avenues of Service**

Community Service  
\*Christian Montgomery  
Denice Seals

International Service  
\*Paul Kolarik

Vocational Service  
\*Drew Gidlof

Club Service  
\*Shaun Morrow

**Generational Services**  
\*Joanie Kapell  
\*JoAnn Moffett

**Program Speakers**  
\*Dan Ramos

**Interact Counselor**  
\*Charyl Silva

**Bulletin Editor**  
Vacant

**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

#### September Birthdays

Ricardo Grande Marshall	2nd
Ken Ruzich	2nd
Jon Pearman	3rd
Robert Wahl	20th
Bill Bevier	25th

#### September Anniversaries

Jorgen and Mary	4th — 3 yrs
Kent and Holly Ramos	6th — 36 yrs
Clark and Donna Cameron	23rd — 51 yrs

### Club Calendar

**October Board Meeting** — 10/5, 5:30 pm  
Clark Pacific

**Rotary International Meeting**—10/8

**Rotary District 5180 Foundation Dinner**—10/22

### OPENING REMARKS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thanks to Meals on Wheels volunteer Marty Garozzo and all the volunteers for their generosity of spirit in helping feed the hungry.

David Kamminga and Carol Bogart tied within 20 seconds of one another emailing to President Bill that 'Denny' was the name of the buckskin horse in *The Man From Snowy River*. Carol was awarded the Rotary Coin, as David had already won in a previous contest.

Andy Wallace was pictured in the District Newsletter as part of a Rotary on the Heart Associations' CPR demo for the club. The 2016 Heartwalk in Sacramento is this month. President Bill's brother-in-law Bob Clark is the event chair.

### Your Newsletter Crew

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#### Mondays: Route 1

9/26 Tim Carnahan and Luan Christ

#### Mondays: Route 5

9/19 Paul Kolarik  
9/26 Dick Marshall and Troy Bird  
10/3 Jeanna and Mike  
10/10 Joanie Kapell and JoAnn Moffett

#### Wednesdays: Route 5

9/21 Lyle Bassett and Bob Ceccato  
9/28 Carol Bogart and Marty Garozzo  
10/5 Gina Borges and Jim Cahill  
10/12 Jeff Post and Kent Ramos

#### Thursdays: Route 1

9/15 John Raney  
9/22 Tom Wallace and Tissy Simmons  
9/29 Steve Heringer and Robb White  
10/6 Ken Ruzich

#### Thursdays: Route 2

9/15 Mike Campbell and Dan Ramos  
9/22 Leonor Dicdican and Charlie Frank  
9/29 Ron Morazzini and Len Thomas  
10/6 Jon Pearman

#### Thursdays: Route 5

9/15 Mark Engstrom  
9/22 Shaun Morrow



**Tom Wallace, Andy Wallace, and guest Verna Sulpizio**



**Ken Wilson and Mike Campbell receive their Past President Badges**



## PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

### Lori Hopkins



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

## BILL BEVIER'S MOVIE HORSE TRIVIA

9/9/16

(weekly winners are awarded a Rotary Coin)

**Question:** What was Tonto's horse's name?

**Answer:** Scout! (Jim Cahill called out instantly.)

Carol Bogart and Jim Cahill recited the 4-way test—which is printed on the back of the Rotary Up coin. Cahill tried to read the coin using President Bill's glasses—with limited success. Both knew the first test. (*Is it the truth?*) Bogart knew the last one (*Is it beneficial to all concerned?*) The two will work harder at memorizing numbers 2 and 3 of the 4-way test. The 4-way test is printed in the bulletin in page 4.



Carol Bogart received an updated badge with the correct name spelling and profession



Tom Wallace's wife Nell and their secret son Steve Lewis

## INVITED STUDENTS

Helena Rofes Gibert (RYE), Kennedy High School, Sacramento



Helena brought her host "father" Scott Louie. Scott and his wife have hosted 16 exchange students. The Louie's actual daughter, Lexie, is this club's exchange student, currently in Japan.

## Bill's Box

I certainly hoped that everyone enjoyed Friday's presentation by Paul Wenger, President of the California Farm Bureau. With two son-in-laws that are farmers, I particularly was interested in what he had to say about overtime and water issues.

Hopefully we will have the date for the Fireside Chat within the next week.

I would like to see more attendance at the meetings. We ran approximately 50% at last weeks meeting. Larger attendance is always appreciated by the guest speaker, but more importantly, it utilizes the room that Club Pheasant reserves for us each week.

See you Friday!

Rotary Up,  
Bill

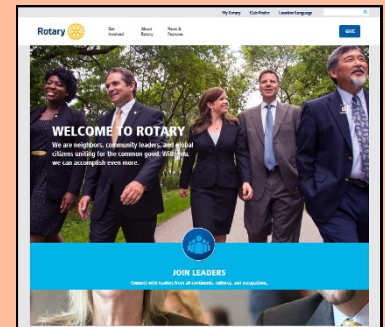
## YOUR LINKS TO ROTARY



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[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)



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

## 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?

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Fireside Chat will take place at the Marshall Ranch on Tuesday, October 4th.
- Tim Kwong awarded “Past President” badges to Mike Campbell and Ken Wilson, and gave Carol Bogart a Blue Badge with her corrected name spelling and profession. Carol got a laugh when she said, “If I’d known we were doing something fancy, I’d’ve dressed up” (vs. her usual Carol—very casual).
- The District 5180 Dinner (Hollywood glam theme) is coming up in Sacramento.
- Please double check that your correct email is listed in Club Runner. Amanda Bailey, interim editor, received quite a few noticed each week when sending out the newsletter that various email addresses are no longer active.
- Up With People—a local Rotary event—is going to be in town.



**Member Jim  
Engstrom  
enjoying this  
weeks meeting**

**KO tries for the  
jackpot and wins a  
free lunch**



**2016-2017  
Rotary International President  
John F. Germ**



**2016-2017  
Rotary District 5180 Governor  
Barbara J. Tracy**



**2016-2017  
Rotary District 5180 Assistant Governor  
Angela Spease**



### 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 Restaurant	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	12:15pm	Peachtree Country Club
	Sutter Buttes Sunrise	7:00am	The Plaza Room at Hillcrest	Rancho Cordova	12:15pm	Rancho Cordova City Hall
	West Sacramento Centennial	7:00am	Collins Teen Center	Looms Sunset	5:30pm	Indian Creek Country Club
	Sacramento Breakfast	7:15am	Evans Kitchen	Carmichael	6:30pm	Ancil Hoffman Golf Course
	Arden Arcade	Noon	Ruth Cris Steak House - Pavilions			
	Rocklin/Loomis Basin	7:00am	Whitney Oaks Golf Club	South Placer	Noon	Whitney Oaks Golf Club
Wed	El Dorado Hills	7:15am	Community Service Building	Citrus Heights	12:15pm	Citrus Heights Community Center
	Laguna Sunrise	8:00am	Valley Hi Country Club	North Sacramento	12:15pm	Doubletree Hotel
	East Sacramento	Noon	Evan's Kitchen	Yuba City	12:15	Hillcrest Plaza Room
	Elk Grove	12:15pm	Vince's Restaurant	Midtown Sacramento	5:30pm	Café Bernardo
	Folsom Lake (Folsom)	Noon	Empire Ranch Golf Club	Rancho Murieta	7:00pm	Rancho Murieta Country Club
Thu	Historic Folsom	7:00am	Lake Natoma Inn	Lincoln	Noon	Lincoln Women's Club
	Roseville Sunrise	7:00am	Gingers Restaurant	Roseville	Noon	Sierra View Country Club
	Yuba Feather River Sunrise	7:00am	Gary's Place	South Sacramento	Noon	Iron Steaks Restaurant
	Pocket-Greenhaven	7:30am	Aviators Restaurant	Folsom	7:00pm	Rotary Clubhouse-Lew Howard Park
	Gridley	Noon	Parish Hall			
Fri	Orangevale	7:00am	La Placita Restaurant	Natomas	7:15am	Hampton Inn, North Natomas
	Point West-Sacramento	7:00am	Doubletree Hotel	Granite Bay	12:15pm	McCormick & Schmick's Restaurant

**Rotary Up!!!**