

Our Program: West Sacramento City Council Member (and Centennial Rotary Club member) **Mark Johannessen** addressed the Club on his role as a Small Claims and Traffic Court Judge.

Declaring that neither court was what one sees on "Judge Judy", Council Member Johannessen described the procedures, limitations and experiences the average person might find in a small claims court setting. Small claims cases are limited to damages that do not exceed \$10,000, making that venue



an appropriate setting for settling a wide variety of disputes. As a judge, Johannessen has had to hear cases involving tenant-landlord disputes, collection of bail bonds, automobile accidents and property damages of all sorts.

In addition to such things as simple contract disputes, a small claims judge is called upon to settle disputes that arise from car repossessions, note collections faulty automobile repairs, people-on-people

violence and "dog-on-people" violence as well.

Given the personal nature of the justice administered, a small claims judge must keep a certain impartial demeanor and practice not reacting to sometimes outlandish situations. With extensive training on both the procedures and ethics of sitting in the judge's chair, Johannessen noted that he has only had one of his cases appealed.

September 8, 2017—Meeting Summary

Presiding: Jim Cahill

Pledge: Ron Chambers

Prayer/Thought: Barry Kaler

Song Leader: Tom Wallace ("God Bless America")

Door Prize/Raffle Valued at: \$250: Tim Kwong pulled the 4 of Clubs



"Chips" from the Buzzsaw

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September Meeting Schedule and Speakers

September 1 "Dark" No Meeting

September 8
Mark Johannesson
Small Claims Court

September 15
Art Pimentel
The West Sacramento Center

The Rotary Club of West

Sacramento

Club 558 District 5180

P. O. Box 288

West Sacramento, CA 95691

We meet every Friday at 12:15 Club Pheasant

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West Sacramento, CA

Leadership Team

Executive Committee:

President *Jim Cahill

Past President *Bill Bevier

President Elect
*Troy Francis Bird

Treasurer
*Chris Bradford

Secretary
*Peter Anderson

*denotes Board Member

Officers & Avenues of Service:

Membership Tim Kwong

Interact/ Youth Services Lee Harris

Club Service Shaun Morrow

Community Service
Dan Ramos

International Service Steve Lewis

Vocational Service
Drew Gidlof

The Rotary Foundation Barry Kalar

Sergeant - at - Arms Marty Garazzo

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

Dick Marshall Ken Ruzich Jon Pearman Bill Bevier September 2 September 2 September 3 September 25

Anniversaries

Kent Ramos Jim Cahill Quirina Orozco Clark Cameron September 6
September 12
September 15
September 23



Tim Kwong draws the 4 of Clubs to break in a new deck of cards and a new "door prize" amount of \$250.

With the odds stacked against him, Tim is nonetheless proudly entitled to one free lunch. And the pot begins to grow....



Looking for the latest Meals on Wheels Driver's Schedule?

Refer to the emailed update sent by Tom Wallace on August 30 and verify your route assignments. Arrive for each Route no later than 10:30 A.M.

HURRICANE DISASTER RELIEF

Rotary District 5930 is partnered with McAllen North Rotary Fund – a 501 (c) 3 to set up an Emergency Relief Fund. Make checks to McAllen North Rotary Fund (Fed tax # 27-3855943) and mail to Rotary D 5930, McAllen North Rotary Club, 501 W. Nolana, McAllen, TX 78504.

Rotary District 5910 has a Rotary District 5910 Charitable Foundation and funds can be sent to: Rotary District 5910 Charitable Foundation, c/o Bobbie Applegate, 985 IH-10N, Suite 111, Beaumont, TX 77706.

Rotary District 5890 has a District 5890 Charities, Inc. and funds can be sent to: District 5890 Charities, Inc., c/o Jackie Barmore, 3525 Preston Ave., Pasadena, TX 77505.

Used Professional Clothing?

...Remember to bring your gently used business attire to the meeting this Friday.

Lori Hawkins and Quirina Orozco are collecting shirts, ties, jackets, belts, shoes and other clothing that is suitable for business attire. These will go to disadvantaged young adults as part of a program to give the training, tools and confidence needed to seek a professional career.





Guest FineMaster: David Kamminga!

In an outstanding audition for the role of Club FineMaster, **David Kamminga** promptly put aside all thoughts of "celebrating".

With a list of miscreants reaching deep into the membership roster, "FineMaster D" went to work with enthusiasm and

efficiency. Most members agreed in advance to their fines, although one or two were caught unawares. True Rotarians, everyone was a good sport. Bells were ringing!

His targets included:

Kent Ramos \$100 for his anniversary.

Ken Ruzich \$100 for his birthday.

Dick Marshall \$100 for his birthday bet with Dan Ramos.

Bill Bevier \$100 for various missed meetings.

Numerous members were held accountable for "incriminating" or flattering photographs taken by **Tim Kwong.** Submitting to blackmail were: **Amy Busch** \$20 + her birthday, **Steve Herringer** \$20, **Steve Oren** \$20, **Ike Parsons** (!) \$5, **Lee Harris** \$20 and **Steve Lewis** \$20.

Our Club is still open to 'celebrating', so volunteer your contributions to the Club, our Foundation and the International Foundation whenever you choose. If you'd like to audition for the next opportunity to play FineMaster,

* * * Inform The Management * * *

We'll do it again on September 29.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Visiting Rotarians

Al Franks South Sacramento

Mark Johannessen Centennial

Guests of Rotarians

Ellen Kohler Steve Oren

Emily Oren Steve Oren

Mayra Resende Steve Oren

Michael Newhart Dick Marshall

(clockwise from top) **Dick Marshall** and **Troy Bird** pose with Michael Newhart (right).

Dustin Dumars, (bottom right) no longer a guest, absorbs the impact of his Red Badge status...

Emily Oren poses with current RYE student **Ellen Kholer** and long-ago RYE student Mayra Resende.

Tim Carnahan with regular visitor Al Franks.





(top right) Past President **Ken Wilson** gets the "thumbs up" from President-Elect **Troy Bird** on his willingness to start his term early... Remember, this is NOT against the ByLaws!

(bottom right) **Ron Chambers** and **Wayne Enke** flank our "Sunshine Chair" **Kathleen O'Leary**. Good to see you, K.O.!

(bottom left) the "unsung heroes" of every meeting: Treasurer **Chris Bradford** and Secretary **Peter Anderson.**



2017-2018 Rotary International President Ian Riseley



2017-2018 Rotary District 5180 Governor Sandi Sava



2017-2018 Rotary District 5180 Assistant Governor JR Springer



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:ooam	The Monday Club	Oroville	Noon	The Monday Club
	Rancho Cordova Sunrise	7:ooam	Cordova Casino	Marysville	12:15pm	Peachtree Country Club
	Sutter Buttes Sunrise	7:ooam	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			
Wed	Rocklin/Loomis Basin	7:00am	Whitney Oaks Golf Club	South Placer	Noon	Whitney Oaks Golf Club
	El Dorado Hills	7:15am	Community Service Building	Citrus Heights	12:15pm	Citrus Heights Community Center
	Laguna Sunrise	8:ooam	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:oopm	Rancho Murieta Country Club
Thu	Historic Folsom	7:ooam	Lake Natoma Inn	Lincoln	Noon	Lincoln Women's Club
	Roseville Sunrise	7:ooam	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:ooam	La Placita Restaurant	Natomas	7:15am	Hampton Inn, North Natomas
	Point West-Sacramento	7:ooam	Doubletree Hotel	Granite Bay	12:15pm	McCormick & Schmick's Restaurant