



70 Years of Service Above Self



“Mighty is as Mighty Does”

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Steve Beck and John Sutter

By Mighty Mike Campbell

President Troy is very interested in the history of Northern California. Because of his interest, he invited Steve Beck to speak to our Club last Friday. Steve was born and raised on a dairy farm in Seatonville, KY. In 1967, his father was hired as the Press Secretary for Governor Ronald Reagan. His family moved to Sacramento and Steve graduated from Rio Americano High School in 1970. He received a debate scholarship to attend Georgia State University and after graduation he returned to Sacramento and pursued a Masters degree at Sacramento State. After his graduation, he taught at all education levels from elementary school to university. Since 1997, he has worked in a variety of positions at Sutter's Fort State Historic Park and is currently Chief Historian.

Steve has written broadly on the history of the Sacramento Region, the Donner Party, Bear Flag Revolt and John Sutter. The life of John Sutter was the topic of Steve's presentation. John Sutter was born on February 15, 1803 in Kandern, Germany. His parents sent him to a prestigious military school and it was his desire to be a soldier. Instead, he operated a store and financial troubles forced him to leave his wife and 4 children and he sailed for New York City. He later arrived in St. Louis and bought himself a Swiss Army uniform and began calling himself Captain John Sutter of the Swiss Guard.

John Sutter had a real talent for ingratiating himself to influential people. In 1838, he arrived at Fort Vancouver and later that year sailed to Hawaii. After staying in Hawaii for 4 months he was hired to take provisions to Sitka, Alaska. From there he sailed to Yerba Buena, now San Francisco, and then to Monterey, the Mexican capitol of California. In Monterey, he requested a land grant from Governor Juan Bautista Alvarado. His plan was to establish a colony in the interior of the Central Valley. Alvarado said he would give Sutter approximately 50,000 acres if he could live in the Central Valley for one year. In 1839, he began construction on a settlement that he called New Helvieta. When the settlement was completed in 1841 he received title to over 48,000 acres. Sutter's Fort became the main destination for settlers traveling over the Sierras to get to California. It was at this point that Steve ran out of time. He has been invited back to finish the history of John Sutter.

BIRDISM

Tomorrow is the
first blank page of
a 365 day book —
Write a good one.



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

MEETING RECAP

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September 14, 2018

Meeting Summary

- Presiding: **Troy Bird**
- Pledge: **Jim Engstrom**
- Opening Blessing: **Tim Carnahan**
- Raffle: **Tom Wallace, Ace of Diamonds**
- Foundation Drawing: **Jeremiah Smith**

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POPE T-BIRD'S

OPENING REMARKS FROM THE MEETING

Rotary are many, but perhaps the greatest satisfaction to be derived is from the opportunities for service that membership provides. You could always arrange to have lunch with friends. You could go elsewhere on occasion to hear good programs. But the specialness of Rotary comes through the service which accentuates the fellowship. Be it on the local, district, or international level.

Additional information and photos from Steve Beck's historical presentation are let and on the following page.

More information can also be found at <https://cdnc.ucr.edu/cgi-bin/cdnc?a=q&e=-----en--20--1--txt-txIN--1>

Hands on History: *There are Folks Trapped in the Mountains!!*

Wagon travel across the Sierra Nevada was a dangerous proposition. In the winter of 1846-1847 over 80 emigrants became trapped in the Sierra snows. We know them as the Donner Party, but the group consisted of many different families and individuals. Sutter's Fort was their destination and became their only hope of salvation. Rescue parties of volunteers were assembled at the Fort, mules and packs were gathered, and a variety of food supplies were packed for the rescue. Few people are aware that there were four Donner relief expeditions and the second relief party carried 100 lbs. of cocoa and 400 pounds of sugar among other more staple items. The Sutter's Fort Collection is the largest repository of original source Donner Party material in existence. View replicas of these rarely seen original documents and hear the mysterious and haunting stories that have fallen through the cracks of history. Visitors will be able to pack a wagon, write in their journal with a quill pen, make a cornhusk or rag doll and create other souvenir pioneer items. Come to the Fort and find why, after more than 170 years, the story of the Donner Party still fascinates. Cannon Demonstrations are at 11, 1, and 3. For more information call (916) 445-4422 or visit www.suttersfort.org



By Capt. J. A. Sutter's Launch which arrived here a few days since from Fort Sacramento — We received a letter from a friend at that place, containing a most distressing account of the situation of the emigrants in the mountains, who were prevented from crossing them by the snow, —and of a party of eleven, who attempted to come into the valley on foot. The writer who is well qualified to judge, is of the opinion that the whole party might have reached the California valley before the first fall of snow, if the men had exerted themselves as they should have done. Nothing but a contrary and contentious disposition on the part of some of the men belonging to the party prevented them from getting in as soon as any of the first companies.

Inventory of Provisions and Supplies furnished by the subscriptions of the People and the aid of Capt. Merriam and Hull M.S.N. for the Rescue of the people in the California Mountains in a starving condition. Viz.

20 days provisions for ten men put into the Launch by Capt. Merriam M.S.N.

1 Cask of lard for cooking of packs, and 100 lbs. of Cocoa from the U.S. Ship Mower Capt. Hull M.S.N.

Purchased with the funds raised -

- 15 Barrels of Flour -
- 1 Bbl of Pork -
- 400 lbs. of Sugar -
- 210 do Coffee
- 20 lbs. Ground Coffee
- 17 lbs. Tobacco -
- 4 Buck skins -
- 2 Elk skins -
- 5 Frigging pans (small size)
- 12 Tin pots -
- 4 Camp Kettles (2 to m. size)
- 2 Axes -
- 2 Hatchets
- 1 Shovel
- 1 Tea Kettle
- 12 Iron Spoons
- 50 Gunny Bags for Packs -

(Mm)

Territory of California
Sacramento District

No. 5

I do hereby certify that on Sunday the sixteenth day of May A.D. 1847 Edward Fikes and Mary Graves both of this district personally appeared before me and by me were lawfully joined together in the Holy Bands of Matrimony.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of May A.D. 1847.

John Sinclair [Signature]
Justice of the Peace.

Territory of California
Sacramento District

No. 6

I do hereby certify that on Tuesday the first day of June A.D. 1847 Perry M. Coon and Eliza Donner both of this district personally appeared before me and by me were lawfully joined together in the Holy Bands of Matrimony.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of June A.D. 1847.

John Sinclair [Signature]
Justice of the Peace.

James F. Reed home in San Jose, ca 1850's.

Left to right: J.F. Reed; Charles Reed; Patty Reed; unidentified child; William Reed; J.F. Reed, Jr.; Thomas Hayes Reed; Molly Murphy; Mary Dwyer and Mrs. Reed.

Workmen who built this house included Chaffee and Chamberlain of Bret Harte home (Tennessee Porter)

Save the Dates



Dustin Dumars



Mighty Mike Campbell



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Club Calendar

District Governor Visit
September 28th

SPEAKER PROGRAM


September 21st
Journeys within Our Community

September 28th
District Governor Jack Arney

October 5th
TBD

October 12th
TBD

October 19th
Drew Gidlof's Daughter
Club's College Scholarship
Recipient



September 2018

**Notes Non Rotarian Volunteer

Mondays: Route 1

9/22 Tim and Gloria** Carnahan

Mondays: Route 5

9/3 Labor Day — No delivery

9/10 Dick Marshall and Troy Bird

9/17 Jeanne** and Mike**

9/24 Joanie Kapell and JoAnn Moffett

Wednesdays: Route 2

9/5 John Raney and Elizabeth Munguia

9/12 Tim Kwong

9/19 Lee Harris

9/26 Jeff Post and Nick Esquivel

Wednesdays: Route 5

9/5 Marty Garozzo

9/12 Mark Roberts and Sandy Yuyama

9/19 Jeff Post and Kent Ramos

9/26 Lyle Bassett and Bob Ceccato

Thursdays: Route 1

9/6 Tom Wallace and Tissy Simmons

9/13 Steve and Donna** Heringer

9/20 Ken Ruzich

9/27 John Raney

Thursdays: Route 2

9/6 Leonor Dicdican** and Barry Kalar

9/13 Len Thomas and Amy Busch

9/20 Carol Bogart and Dustin Dumars

9/27 Mike Campbell and Dan Ramos

Thursdays: Route 5

9/6 Mark Engstrom

9/13 Shaun Morrow

Tm Wallace draws the Ace of Diamonds. Any Wallace and Steve Lewis are there for moral support.

ROTARY DISTRICT 5180

Foundation Dinner

Holidays Around the World

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 3, 2018

6:00 P.M.

(Doors open 5:30 p.m.)

DoubleTree Hotel 2001 Point West Way Sacramento, CA



Keynote Speaker

John Matthews

Rotary International Director for Zone 25/26

Rotary Club of Mercer Island, Washington

*Celebrate with
Rotarians and friends*

TICKETS - \$75
TABLE OF 10 - \$725.00
(Decorate your table contest!)
NET PROCEEDS BENEFIT END POLIO NOW



Entertainment provided by
singing group **Auburn Road**

*Cocktail Attire or
Holiday Theme*

Register, payment and details at:

<https://rotary5180.org/event/district-foundation-dinner/>

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



Birthdays & Anniversaries	
September Birthdays	
Dick Marshall	2nd
Ken Ruzich	2nd
Timothy Kuzelka	9th
Bill Bevier	25th
September Anniversaries	
Quirina Orozco and Jose Yepes	15th, 6 years
Daivd and Joyce Santiago	30th, 10 years

CELEBRATIONS

Bell Ringers	
Wild Bill Bevier	rang the bell for his upcoming birthday and missed meetings while on multiple vacations.
Ed R	rang the bell for becoming a new grandpa again.
Jeremiah Smith	rang the bell for willing a jackpot in Vegas.
Dan Ramos	rang the bell for USC vs. Stanford.



Above: Heine, Ed R., and Marty
Left: President T-Bird and Speaker Steve Beck





Seriously ill/hospitalized; badly hurt; having surgery; a loved one passes away — Members or close family—

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

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

There will be a blood drive for District 5180. See **President T- Bird Troy** for more details.

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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?

Rotary



President T-Bird Troy snaps a picture of the membership

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YOUR LINKS TO ROTARY

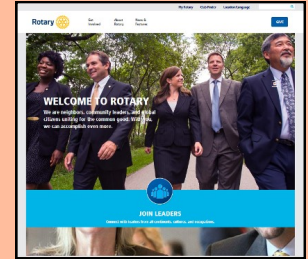


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Rotary District 5180
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2018-2019
Rotary International President

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)			