



Matt Taylor

Rotary Opens Opportunities



Land of Many Opportunities

The Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento got a sneak peek into some exciting developments in Yolo County during its August 21, 2020 meeting. Guest speaker, Matt Taylor, spoke about the Davis Innovation and Sustainability Campus (DISC), which is a project many years in the making. DISC is an idea borne from years of economic development in the City of Davis and its surrounding areas. Hundreds of acres of land near Mace Road and I-80 has been developed over the last 25 years, and has attracted many research and development companies. The City has been working to capitalize on this growth, and on the talent that consistently comes out of UC Davis.

Matt's slideshow presentation was met with awe from our club members. He described that the DISC Campus itself was being designed to include general office space, research and development labs, advanced manufacturing facilities, housing, and other amenities. By allowing all of these sectors to work more closely together, companies will be able to make improvements to products more quickly. They will also be able to invent, prototype, research, test, manufacture, and accelerate the process from idea to market. Allowing an integrated mixed use campus with housing will also help reduce city traffic and foster working communities.



Positioned for Economic Recovery

"Regional economic development remains a priority for UC Davis and encouraging projects that provide future readiness appears as a win-win for our overall regional community and for UC Davis."

- Mabel Salom, UC Davis Chief Government and Community Relations Officer

- DISC is estimated to create more than 6,000 jobs in Davis (more than 5,400 on site) and more than 9,000 jobs in Yolo County.
- Produce \$500 million in annual direct employee wages and compensation within Davis and approximately \$610 million annually within Yolo County.
- Generate more than \$22 million in annual taxable sales from new households and employees within Yolo County, which will substantially stimulate the local economy and help local businesses.

One of the proposed uses for DISC is in the field of Agricultural Technology, particularly in the areas of Bioscience or Ag Science. UC Davis is currently 7th on the national list of recipients for research dollars in the country and DISC is positioned to entice and attract investors who want to be close to UC Davis regionally. Because of this focus, there has also been discussion about making crop testing available next to the Campus.

DISC is also expected to bring in an increase in jobs and tax dollars that will be spilled back into the City and the surrounding areas. There will be a huge boost to the economy during the buildout and afterwards. With a project of this size, the economic impact to the area is expected to be significant and noticeable. Matt presented several figures as part of his presentation to show the scale. After a very informative presentation, the floor was opened for questions and **Dan Ramos** chimed in to help give answers and say some closing words. Dan announced that they have successfully obtained all approvals from the City of Davis for the project and they have met all of the entitlements. However, the project will need to be put up to a vote in the upcoming

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November ballot. Once approved by the voters, they will be ready to lure in tenants and keep moving forward.

Kumaraswamy Sivakumaran: How is the pandemic going to affect the project since work styles have changed?

Dan Ramos: We are seeing the pandemic changing the general office setting with social distancing. The Campus consists more of labs where the work can't be done from home. They have to be designed with COVID in mind. Currently we are trying to lure companies with the idea of cheaper cost of living but with the same high technology, University-innovation feel. We will have to see how it plays out.

Steve Heringer: Do you have any large anchor tenants that have committed to the project down the road?

Dan Ramos: Yes. We have been in discussions with one in particular and a couple of others from the Bay Area have expressed interest. Until you have your entitlements and everything, it is very difficult to encourage them to move forward. The Boards of Directors for these companies want certainty, so the focus had been to get the entitlements done. A major anchor tenant currently is in a "Letter of Intent" stage which is very exciting, but there is still a long way to go, and a vote in November, too.

John Raney: With the City of Davis and the County of Yolo having issues with the elevated rail crossing at County Road 102 and the discussion of closing that access, is there a future plan to run further east to Sacramento have another elevated rail crossing on I-80?

Dan Ramos: Your timing is fantastic. They are starting a series of project developments next week by the County. Studies are being done with engineering companies and one of them is a flyover. There is a desire within all of the County to keep that pathway open as an alternative route to the freeway and also to the regional sanitation place. The hope is that the County will go through the process and pick from several alternative projects and put it into the bigger freeway expansion project that is coming down the road, which includes the expansion of the causeway.

Shaun Morrow: What kind of consideration has been given to affordable housing with this project, in light of employment projects of a project this scale and the housing shortage in the State?

Dan Ramos: We tried to get this on the ballot in 2016 but fell short. We didn't have a residential component and advocated for it because we had to show mixed use, and it came out to be the environmentally superior option. After 2016, we did more research about adding residential components and were able to come back to the City and insist that it be added. The City came around after initial resistance. The 850 residential units being built through DISC will not be enough but there are residential developments in other areas and demand for housing will increase in the surrounding areas. We really worked on great transit links to the project, including transit through West Sacramento. We look good for Bay Area companies in terms of housing prices.

Dave Kamminga: Do you know realistically when you would be able to get all things in place to start putting a shovel into the ground?

Dan Ramos: The process after November 3 will be the annexation process with Yolo County, and that can be anywhere from 4-6 months. After that, it's up to us to do the mapping. We are currently looking at around 2022 before a building gets started, but hopefully sooner. We are also looking at around a 25 year buildout, keeping in mind certain pharmaceutical companies who may be ready to come back into the U.S. because of the proximity to research.

Troy Bird: What is your feel about where the Nov. 3 ballot will go, and how is this project different than "Aggie Square" the UCD Project? **Denice Domke** chimed in to ask what threshold is needed for the vote.)

Dan Ramos: Threshold is a majority (50+1) vote in the general election. They have done a tremendous amount of outreach in the community in the last few years and received a lot of input which has been very helpful especially in (continued at page 7)



MEETING RECAP

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SPONSORING A NEW MEMBER?

KNOW ANYONE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

Check out the New Member Process.....(a little refresher)

1. Attend the required 3 Rotary weekly meetings as a guest of your sponsor, who is an active Rotary Club of West Sacramento member.
2. Fill out the application to become a member and submit it to the Board of Directors for approval.
3. Once approved, you will be published in the weekly *Chips from the Buzzsaw*, for three weeks, giving members time to submit concerns, questions, and comments to the Board.
4. Once you are inducted as a new member, you will receive your red badge (provisional member), and fulfill the requirements to exchange it for a blue badge (permanent, active member).

Questions? Contact Denice Domke, Membership Chair or John Raney, President



River City High School Interact Club News

The newly inducted Interact Board has been working hard on their presentation for the Club. They are disappointed to announce that, due to scheduling issues, they are not able to attend the meeting itself. Their advisor, Kat Gallagher, will be presenting their slideshow instead.

The Board hopes that they will be able to attend a meeting in the future, that we will all be able to get together socially soon, and that everyone stays safe and healthy!

(And if you still want any of the World's Best Chocolates, Kat is still selling them while supplies last!

\$1 per bar, buy 5 get 1 free)

Save the Dates

SPEAKER PROGRAM

September 4th
RCHS 2020-2021 Interact
Board—Video Presentation

September 18th
Eric Blair—Yolo County
Children’s Allience

October 2nd
Manuel Castro—S.P.A.R.K



Birthdays & Anniversaries

September Birthdays

Dick Marshall	2nd
Ken Ruzich	2nd
Tim Kuzelka	9th
Marty Swingle	15th
Bill Bevier	25th

September Anniversaries

Quirina Orozco and Jose Yepes	15th, 8 years
Clark and Donna Cameron	23rd, 55 years
David and Joyce Santiago	30th, 12 years

Birthdays & Anniversaries

October Birthdays

Don Clark	5th
Bob Collins	12th
Jeremiah Smith	13th
Ed Rounthwaite	14th
Dean Labadie	22nd
Wayne Enke	27th
Tammy Linker	29th

October Anniversaries

Heine Roikjer and Ramouna Karvar	3rd, 21 years
Bill and Robin Bevier	5th, 35 years
Dean and Janice Labadie	10th, 36 years
Katie and Oscar Villegas	17th, 28 years

\$\$\$ New QR Code! \$\$\$

Use this QR Code to send money to Rotary!

See Treasurer Dustin Dumars for more info!

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

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President John Raney
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WSR Foundation Jim Engstrom
Speaker Chairs Dan Ramos Troy Bird
Youth Service Joanie Kapell JoAnn Moffett
Scholarships Ken Wilson
Meals on Wheels Tom Wallace
Interact Advisor Kat Gallagher

Rotarians at Work Yolo Food Bank



These wonderful Rotarians took time out of their busy schedules to help to the Yolo Food Bank distribute healthy nourishment to our community-in-need. Pictured here are (L-R): David Santiago, John Raney, Alicia Mittleman, Peter Anderson, Joanie Kapell, Shaun Morrow, Shelly Eckler, Steve Heringer, Marty Elliott, Charyl Silva. Not pictured but also in attendance was Ken Wilson. This is a weekly event that members of our club can volunteer and participate in by contacting Shaun Morrow for dates and details.



Leadership Team
Song Master Dick Marshall
Fine Master Tim Kwong
Club Photographer David Kamminga
Sergeant-at-Arms Steve Oren
Webmaster Peter Anderson
Sunshine Chair Carol Bogart
Bulletin Editor Kat Gallagher



Rotary Rock Stars!!

A zoom meeting was hosted by Denice Domke on August 24 for select Rotary members and prospective members and it was a success!



African region declared free of wild poliovirus

by Ryan Hyland (full article accessible at: <https://www.rotary.org/en/african-region-declared-free-of-wild-poliovirus>)

Rotary and its GPEI partners celebrate a monumental achievement, say global eradication of wild polio is possible with the continued dedication and persistence of Rotarians

The World Health Organization (WHO) on 25 August announced that transmission of the wild poliovirus has officially been stopped in all 47 countries of its African region. This is a historic and vital step toward global eradication of polio, which is Rotary's top priority.

After decades of hard won gains in the region, Rotary and its partners in the **Global Polio Eradication Initiative** (GPEI) — WHO, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and Gavi, the vaccine alliance — are proclaiming the milestone an achievement in public health. They offer it as proof that strong commitment, coordination, and perseverance can rid the world of polio.

The certification that the African region is free of wild poliovirus comes after the independent Africa Regional Certification Commission (ARCC) conducted thorough field verifications that confirmed no new cases and analyzed documentation of polio surveillance, immunization, and laboratory capacity by Cameroon, Central African Republic, Nigeria, and South Sudan. The commission had already accepted the documentation of the other 43 countries in the region.



The President's Page

Raney's Remarks



Dear Rotarian:

Thanks to your dues and Peter's fiscal conservatism, we're bucks up enough to have made \$1,000 donations to both the West Sacramento Foundation and Yolo Food Bank within the last week. In addition, ten Rotary volunteers helped pass out food at City Hall last Saturday – a very rewarding experience that we ought to repeat. Friday we'll have students discuss the school's means of teaching this fall. So, we're moving. You can't keep a Mighty Club down!

I'm John Raney, I'm 70-something and the 70-somethingth President of the Rotary Club of West Sacramento.

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bringing the project along and helping the community understand what it could mean for them in terms of economics and their quality of life. There was a unanimous vote from the City Council and the Planning Commission. The polling is very favorable (65%), but we are still "running like we're behind" and trying to make sure voters know the answer to the question, "what's in it for me?" We are looking forward to getting it on the ballot.

Matt Taylor: We felt good about an election but COVID-19 has thrown a curveball into that process. We can't just knock on people's doors so we have had to shift what the campaign looks like, including what voting is going to look like when UC Davis has no students on campus. Despite this, we are optimistic. The numbers look good.

Dan Ramos: Regarding Aggie Square, that is more medical and bioscience driven and we are very supportive of that project. It should have happened a long time ago. DISC is more broad based, including life sciences and agricultural, veterinary.

Matt Taylor: We also see our project as being a great way to continue the momentum of Aggie Square, which we understand to be mostly occupied. That project hit the project with more demand than space.

Prior to the presentation, **Chris White** also talked briefly about the **West Sacramento Foundation**, in that it was formed to meet services in the community that the City was not able to meet. This is an all volunteer organization that gives our annual grants and conducts an all-charities raffle. She reminded us that the community's needs have not diminished even though the opportunity to fundraise through carwashes and other social events have been challenging. She encouraged those able to donate to this worthy non-profit.



Katie Baker Villegas also thanked **Peter Anderson** for delivering a club check to support Project Roomkey. **Quirina Orozco** shared her gratitude reminding us that our efforts go a long way for the neediest in our community.

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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.



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

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

The 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?

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4. Once logged in, click **MEMBER AREA** (top left corner).
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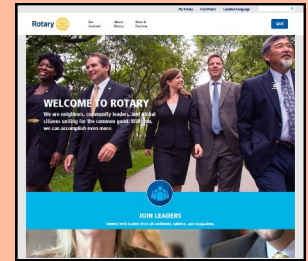


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Megan Ham



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
	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)			