



Olympian Starr Hurley

Our speaker on Friday was Olympian **Starr Hurley**. Starr's involvement in the Olympic Games goes back to her role as a Torch Bearer in 1960 at the opening of the 8th Winter Games in Squaw Valley, California. 4 years later, she competed in the Olympic Games at Innsbruck, Austria. She was the top American finisher in the downhill and finished 9th overall in world rankings. She has both United States Junior and Senior National Champion titles and was voted "Skier of the Year" by The Winter Sports Writers Association in 1963, the same year this editor was born. In 2002, she was again an Olympic Torch Bearer at Squaw Valley for the 2002 Winter Games in Salt Lake. In 2010, she carried the Olympic Torch for a 3rd time in Squaw Valley for the 50 Year Olympic Celebration!

For you Sierra skiing historians, Starr's Grandfather built Soda Springs Hotel and the first snowplow for clearing I-80. Her Father built Donner Ski Ranch. According to Starr, "you don't start caring about history preservation until you get old." Starr



and her family have been very involved in preserving that history; volunteering at the Donner Summit Historical Society. Starr also spoke of the many causes that she is actively involved in through volunteering, including the Sacramento Zoo and the 20 Mile Museum. The highlight of the meeting was when, on behalf of the US Olympic Committee, Starr presented **Tom Wallace** with the long over-due Civilian Olympic Gold Medal of Honor for Wallace's role in surveying Interstate 80 in the late 1950s (only the 2nd time this award has been presented; the first being to Vinko Bogataj in 1970- infamous for "the agony of defeat".) Starr hung the medal around a visibly emotional Tom's neck stating, "without Tom Wallace, there would be no 1960 Olympics." Credit THIS editor for one tear of pride rolling down his cheek.

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Club Pheasant, 12:15

What do we really know about ...

Denice Domke

An investigative report from CHIPS cub reporter, Tim Carnahan

Let's get some things cleared up right up front. **Denice Domke = Denice Seals!** Our first clue was the unique spelling of both of their first names, 'Denice'. But there were other clues.

Our records indicate that Denice Seals, an Administrator at River Bend Medical Associates, was nominated by Ron Chambers and installed in our club in Feb., 2003 by then president Bob Collins. Denice quickly immersed herself in Rotary and subsequently became our club's first lady president (2006-07)!

Now we have Denice Domke, CEO of the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce, and most recently host of our club's first pop-up meeting and upcoming Fireside Chat. This Denice also lists the same nominator and date of membership. Case solved! She/they is/are the same person/people!

To her credit, during our exclusive CHIPS interview, Denice did confess to being both people. She also revealed that she always wanted to join and was raised by service minded people - her mother and sister were both Rotarians. Before joining, she had been to some of our meetings, and was even our guest speaker until finally Ron Chambers invited her to join. "I would have joined earlier if only someone had asked," she added.

Denice's main area of emphasis in Rotary is through International Service. She is a Paul Harris Society member and supports our international projects with both time and money. In fact, it was through Denice that we had one of our club's most successful and memorable international projects: "Operation Shoebox". She confirmed that to this day it is perhaps the most gratifying project she has experienced in Rotary. It is a story worth repeating.

It was during Andy Wallace's presidency, 2004-05. A high school friend of Denice sent her a message about his son, who was serving in Iraq. A photo of him fighting in Fallujah was published in the Sacramento Bee along with a story that indicated that some American soldiers may have died. Denice's friend had no way to know if his son was OK. Not really knowing what to do, he reached out to friends, including Denice, to perhaps put together and send some "care packages" to his son's platoon, with hopes and prayers that he not died and the packages would reach him.

Denice brought the plea to our club to see if others would join in. That next Friday our members brought in 80 packages, filled and ready to send and "Operation Shoebox" was born. The Sacramento Bee got wind of our project and came to that meeting, took a photo and did a story. Andy announced that his offices would be available for a few extra days for drop offs if anyone from the community wanted to join in. When the dust cleared there were over 200 packages ready to ship overseas. Another miracle got them shipped to the right place expeditiously.

Bet you didn't know ...

Denice is a credentialed Yoga Instructor ... and also raises, trains and shows Akitas - a large dog breed certified by the AKC.

Turns out the soldier in question made it out OK. Upon return to the USA he visited our club to present us with a US flag, autographed by his entire platoon, in thanks for the morale-boosting shoeboxes.

Oh well - too much shoebox story and not enough Denice. Suffice it to say that it would be well worth your time to get to know either one of her.



Bob Collins presents (then) Denice Seals with her new member packet.

MEETING RECAP

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John Raney shows Shaun Morrow how to properly handle his badge



Craig Stevenson left the club speechless without his usual introduction— rumors fly...



Amy Busch rings the bell for her new horse



Ed Rounthwaite wins the coveted Bob Walker Award

Meeting Summary

- Presiding:** Peter Anderson
- Pledge:** Pedro Cisneros
- Opening Blessing:** Tim Carnahan
- Song Master:** Tom Wallace who dished to his son who nailed it with a heart felt rendition of Oklahoma.
- Polio Plus Matching Drawing:** Barry Kalar
- Raffle:** Danny Ramos
- Bob Walker Award:** Ed Rounthwaite

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Visiting Rotarians

Craig Stevenson - South Sacramento

Guests

Mike O'Connell
Shelley Eckler



The Mighty Rotary Gofers

Save the Dates

SPEAKER PROGRAM

September 27th
Michael Bisch: Executive
Director Yolo Food Bank

October 3rd
TBD


October 11th
Marty DeAnda: Concert
Promoter, Music Manager and
all things music!

October 18th
Warden of Folsom Prison. Rick
Hill



Rotary Community Service Day
Sign up with Katie Villegas and
Join Your Fellow Rotarians as
we
Clean Up the Main Drain Trail

Saturday Oct. 5th, 2019
9AM to Noon
3035 Arcata Bay Road, West
Sacramento



September 2019

****Notes Non Rotarian Volunteer**

Mondays: Route 5
9/2 LABOR DAY — No Delivery
9/9 Dick Marshall and Troy Bird
9/16 Tim and Gloria** Carnahan
9/23 Joanie Kappell and JoAnn Moffett
9/30 Paul Kolarik and John Hills

Tuesdays: Route 8
9/3 Barry Kalar and Tim Kuzelka
9/10 Tom Wallace and Steve Heringer
9/17 Shaun Morrow and Pedro Cisneros
9/24 Jeff Post and Kent Ramos

Wednesdays: Route 2
9/4 John Raney and Elizabeth Munguia
9/11 Pedro Cisneros and Tammy Linker
9/18 Lee Harris
9/25 Jeff Post and Nick Esquivel

Wednesdays: Route 5
9/4 Marty Garozzo
9/11 Mark Roberts
9/18 Jeff Post and Kent Ramos
9/25 Lyle Bassett and Bob Ceccato

Thursdays: Route 1
9/5 Ken Ruzich
9/12 John Raney
9/19 Tom Wallace and Tissy Simmons
9/26 Steve and Donna** Heringer

Thursdays: Route 2
9/5 Carol Bogart and Ken Wilson
9/12 Mike Campbell and Dan Ramos
9/19 Leonor Dicdican** and Barry Kalar
9/26 Len Thomas and Marty Swingle

Thursdays: Route 5
9/5 David Santiago and Kat Gallagher
9/12 Dustin Dumars and Tim Kuzelka
9/19 Shaun Morrow
9/26 Mark Engstrom

Tom's Corner

Civilian Olympic Gold Medal of
Honor recipient– Tom Wallace



The President's Page

PETER'S PRINCIPAL

Opening Remarks From Friday's Meeting

On September 20th, Pepperoni Pizza Day recognizes the most popular pizza ever created. The day celebrates the pizza enjoyed by young and old alike.

While pizza comes with many different toppings, pepperoni is the single most popular pizza. Whether you like your pizza Chicago Style or New York Style, thin and crispy or deep dish, top it with pepperoni!

According to legend, Raffaele Esposito created the first pizza in June of 1889. The Queen of Italy, Margherita of Savoy, inspired the pizza maker. He created the Pizza Margherita to honor the queen and topped the pizza with tomatoes, basil, and mozzarella. The colors represented the Italian flag.

Since then, pizza has evolved. It included a multitude of toppings from anchovies and pineapple to sausage and bacon. However, pepperoni remains the most popular.

I am Peter Anderson and it is days like these that make me proud to be the 71st President of the Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento!



From the Prez...

- Full Board Member Meeting at Yolo Brew on 10-2 at 5PM, 1st two pitchers are free!
- If you win the football pool with a perfect card, you win 75% of the pot!
- If your birthday is in the month of September, then show up to this Friday's meeting and receive your Just Deserts!

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Leadership Team	
President	Peter Anderson
President-Elect	John Raney
Past President	Troy Bird
Secretary	Amy Busch
Treasurer	Dustin Dumars
Club Service	Shaun Morrow Chris Bradford
Community Service	Mike Campbell Quirina Orozco
International Service	Siva Sivakumaran
Vocational Service	Drew Gidlof David Santiago
Membership	Denice Domke
Meals on Wheels	Tom Wallace
RI Foundation	Barry Kalar
WSR Foundation	Jim Engstrom
Speaker Chairs	Dan Ramos Troy Bird
Youth Service	Joanie Kapell JoAnn Moffett
Scholarships	Ken Wilson
Club Chaplain	Tim Carnahan
Interact Advisors	Lee Harris Kat Gallagher



David Santiago introduces Vocational speaker, Kat Gallagher



Vocational Speaker Kat Gallagher



Our Awesome Pheasant Club Staff, Mike and Morgan!

Birthdays & Anniversaries	
September Birthdays	
Dick Marshall	2nd
Ken Ruzich	2nd
Tim Kuzelka	9th
Bill Bevier	25th
September Anniversaries	
Kent and Holly Ramos	6th, 39 years
Quirina Orozco and Jose Yepes	15th, 7 years
David and Joyce Santiago	30th, 11 years



Lori Hawkins and Proposed Member Shelly Eckler



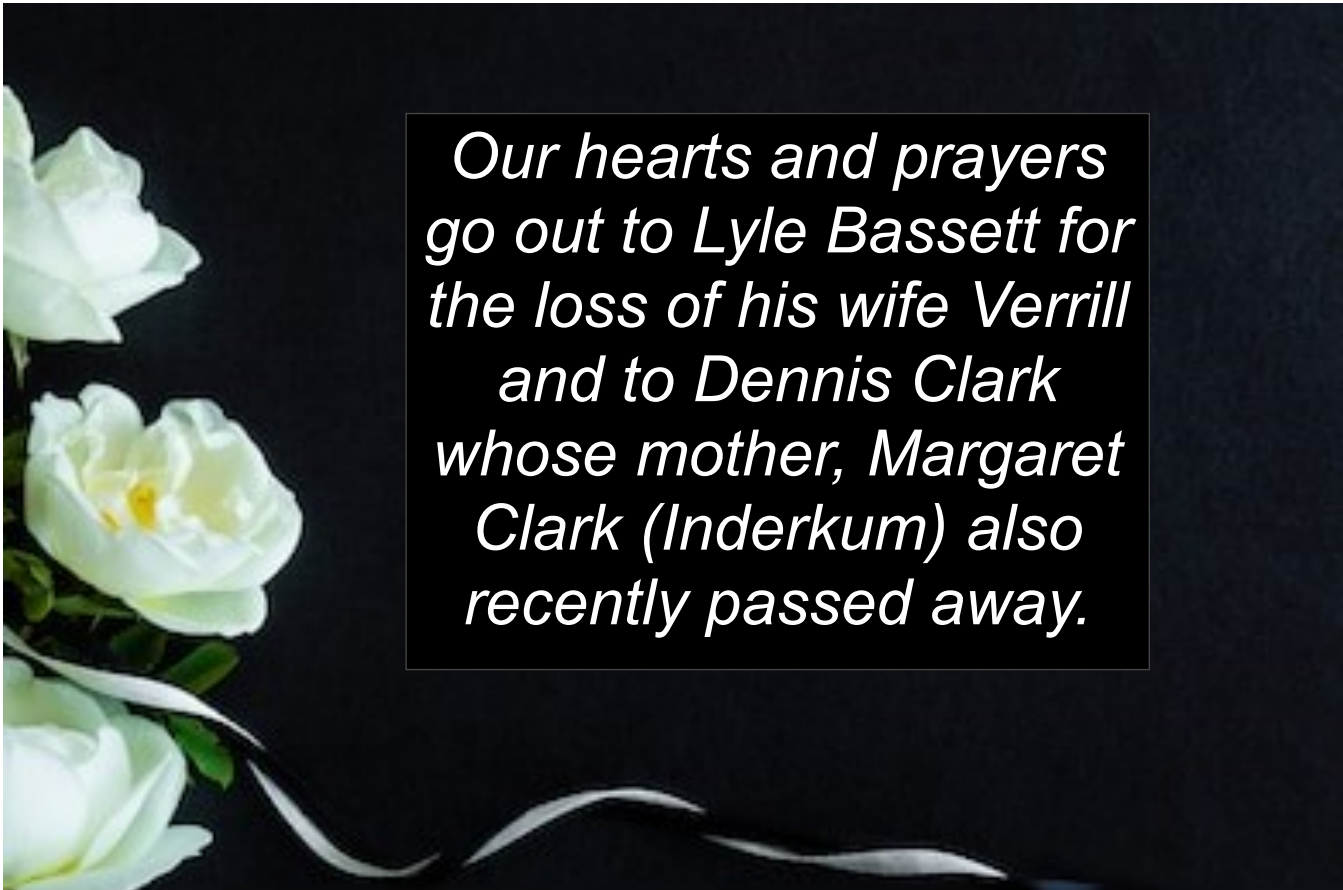
“Steve Heringer cleans his glasses on his cool shirt presenting an opportunity to photograph him without glasses.” -Dave Kamminga

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	Andy Wallace

Proposed for Membership	
Chris White	
Shelley Eckler	

Bell Ringers	
Marty Swingle for his 57th Birthday	
Amy Busch for Training Horses and Getting a New Horse	



A bouquet of white roses is positioned on the left side of the image, set against a dark, textured background. The roses are in various stages of bloom, with some showing yellow centers. A single rose petal lies on the surface in front of the bouquet.

*Our hearts and prayers
go out to Lyle Bassett for
the loss of his wife Verrill
and to Dennis Clark
whose mother, Margaret
Clark (Inderkum) also
recently passed away.*

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.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

———From District Governor Ray Ward———

In an effort to show how creative and fun our clubs can be, your District 5180 marketing Team is challenging you to create your own Lip Sync Videos and to submit them to the District to be shared with the entire Rotary community! Please note that we are not looking for professional production values or special effects! Our District video (see YouTube link below) was shot on a cell phone and edited with a \$30 software package. Our goal is to have every club participate, have fun, and celebrate what makes them special with a little music.

Rules:

- Have Your Club Create a Concept for a Lip Sync Video - Something Fun
- Pick Any Song(s) You Want (You Do Not Have to Use 3 Little Birds!)
- Video Your Version
- Post it on your Website and/or your Facebook page
- Let Marketing Chair, Bill Bowen, know that your video has been posted.
- Videos must be submitted to Bill by 10/01/2019 to be judged.
- Videos will be judged by Small, Medium or Large club size.
- Winners will be announced at the October 2019 "Escape to Rotaryville" Conference in Reno.

<https://youtu.be/ljeuqGWSh0c>

70 Years of Service Above Self

"Mighty is as Mighty Does"

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?

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**

Time To Visit Club Runner and Update Your Information?

1. Go to <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/7521>
2. Click **MEBER LOGIN** (upper right corner)
3. If you forgot your password, or have never logged in, click "New and existing users: retrieve login and/or reset password" on the bottom of the screen. You will receive an e-mail with instructions to reset your login.
4. Once logged in, click **MEMBER AREA** (top left corner).
5. Click **EDIT MY PROFILE** (center of screen)
6. Update your information (including birthdate and anniversary)

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YOUR LINKS TO ROTARY

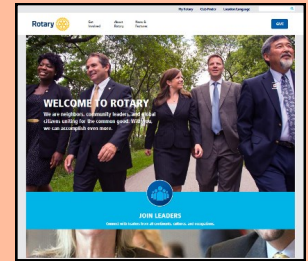


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Mark Maloney



2019—2020
Rotary District 5180 Governor
Ray Ward



2019—2020
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
	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)			