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THE ROTARY CLUB OF FAIR OAKS

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VERNAL POOLS



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Weekly Meetings

We Meet Almost Every Monday Evening

Social Hour 6:15 - 7:00 PM

Dinner & Meeting 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Location: Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse

7997 California Avenue

Fair Oaks

Visitors are Welcome

SPLASH

And the Vernal Pools of Mather Field

Speaker: Emily Butler

Reporter: Dan Smallhouse



Emily Butler

Our speaker for the meeting was Emily Butler from the local organization Splash-Sacramento. Emily is the Executive Director of Splash, which is a Sacramento non-profit organization dedicated to helping local children understand and value their natural world through science education and outdoor exploration. They believe that all children deserve the opportunity to learn and play in nature. They offer a variety of environmental science programs designed to introduce Sacramento-area kids to the wonders of science by teaching them about local habitats.

Specific premises and goals that led to the creation of Splash are:

- 1) Kids need Science
- 2) Vernal pools need protection
- 3) Mining operations surrounding vernal-pool areas do not work and are a detriment to their existence and the existence of the wildlife who live in and frequent the pools
- 4) The prevention of water pollution and getting government grants for same
- 5) Kids don't have outdoor access outlets, unlike the past.



Emily is the daughter of the founder, Eva Butler, who founded the organization in 1999. Her dedication and efforts have enabled local kids to visit outdoor locations in the area to learn more about nature, especially in our back yard, at the vernal pools of Mather Field. Some 90 classes of students will study in a 3 month curriculum numbering 13 lessons per class. Each student, at 4th and 5th Grade Levels, will adopt a vernal pool "critter" during that period becoming an expert on same.

Splash's goals include the following:

- 1) Build bridges to nature in our area and elsewhere
- 2) Inspire their students to become young scientists
- 3) Foster an atmosphere of enlightenment by discovery
- 4) Foster future environmental stewardship by participating in the future in similar organizations



SPLASH

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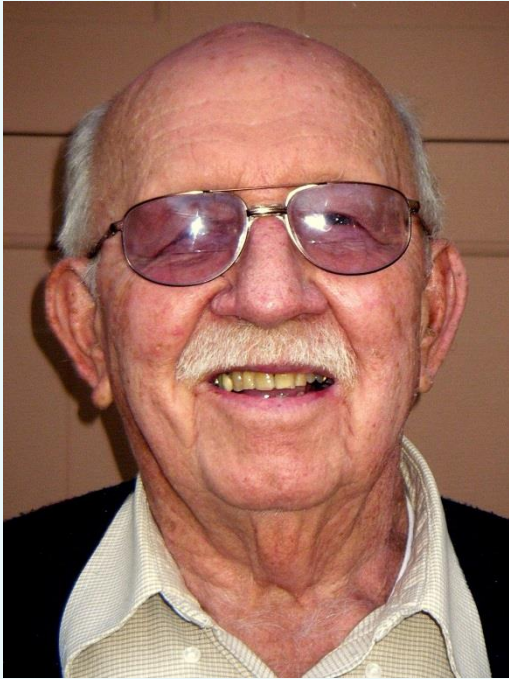
Emily went on to talk about Mather Field and how lucky we are to be able to easily visit one of the most prolific concentrations of vernal pools in the U.S. The 2016 vernal-pool season is almost completed. She advised the club, that if we are interested in completing a Club Field Trip in 2017, she would be happy to oblige. Just contact her soon.

The presentation was accompanied by a PowerPoint slide show, showing numerous pictures of the vernal pools at Mather, as well as classroom labs and excited students making discoveries. The last slide requested a donation of \$1,500 to replace outdated and damaged binoculars. Well needed at any time. If you care to participate, or care to learn more, visit their website at

<http://www.sacsplash.org/>



CLUB NEWS



Walter "Art" Sutter passed Saturday, May 14th, at Sutter Roseville.

Art died of complications from brain surgery earlier this month, due to a fall in the first part of 2016.

Art was born November 8, 1925, and was 90 years old when he passed.

He was a member of our Rotary Club for 44 years, having joined April 1, 1972. He was Club President 1978-79, and was a Paul Harris Fellow +3.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, and their 4 children.

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The Fair Oaks and Orangevale Rotary clubs are co-sponsoring a Little League team this year. This is slow-pitch, T-ball Little League for four to six year olds. Everyone is invited to a game on June 1 at 5:30 pm at Phoenix Field. Please join us as we cheer on the team.

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RIVER CATS

Rotary at the River Cats is coming up on June 5. Maggie says the bus is almost full, so sign up soon or you won't be able to get a seat. The bus ride costs \$32 but it includes food, unlimited Bloody Marys and you save \$10 on parking.

This is a fund raiser for the End Polio Now campaign.

A TASTE OF FAIR OAKS

A Taste of Fair Oaks is an annual fundraiser for the Chamber of Commerce. It is on Friday, June 3 at the North Ridge Country Club. According to the website, less than 50 tickets are still available. Diana Cralle and Nancy Regan are selling tickets and they a few left.



FAIR OAKS UNCORKED

We have a date for the 2016 Fair Oaks Uncorked: **October 21**. We will need participating wineries, restaurants and breweries. You can help the recruitment effort by mentioning the club when you're out eating and/or drinking.

Mike Maddox volunteered to cover the cost of printing the tickets again this year.



WINE AT TOWN CENTER

Sherri Tobin (Left) is a member of the Rotary Club of Cameron Park. Sherri has tickets to another wine and food event: **Wine at Town Center**. For complete information, visit their website or just contact Sherri for tickets.



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CONCERTS IN THE PARK

The 2016 Concert in the Park series begins on June 9. Fair Oaks Rotary is a 2016 Concert Sponsor.

DETAILS

Village Park
4238 Main Street
Fair Oaks, CA 95628
Thursdays June 9 – August 25
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm



ANNUAL ROTARY DUES ARE PAYABLE NOW SEE NANCY REGAN

FRIENDS OF THE FAIR OAKS LIBRARY

BOOK SALE – JUNE 17 - 22



The Friends of the Fair Oaks Library need volunteers for their upcoming book sale which will raise about \$2,000 for the Library. The details follow.

Friday, June 17, 2016: 9 am – 2 pm? Setup. Volunteers will be unpacking boxed books and organizing the books in their specified areas. Volunteers can come in for only an hour or two or the entire time.

Saturday, June 18, 2016: 9 am – 5 pm We need 8 cashiers - 4 shifts of 2 hours each; 2 for each slot of 9am-11am, 11am-1pm, 1-3, and 3-5. Maybe also a few volunteers who will help restock the tables and tidy the books as items are sold, as well as to help shoppers find items and transport large purchases to their cars.

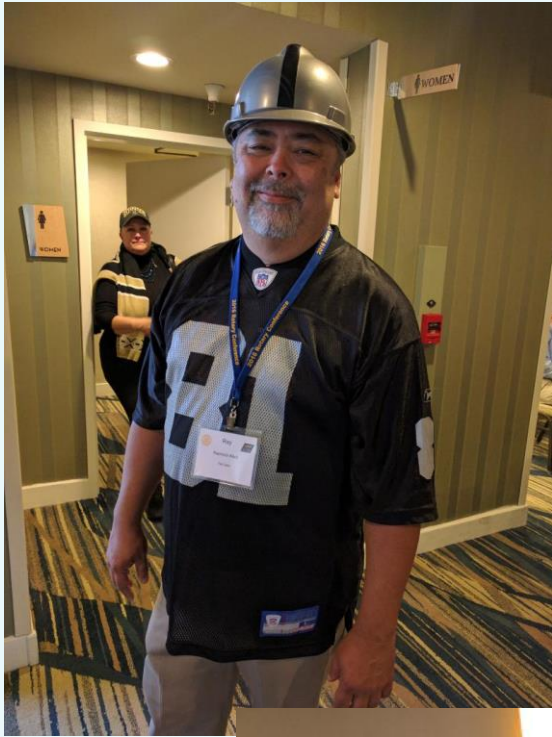
Tuesday, June 21, 2016: 10am – 8pm. We need 10 cashiers - 5 shifts of 2 hours each; 2 for each slot of 10am-noon, noon-2pm, 2-4, 4-6, and 6-8. Maybe also a few volunteers who will help restock the tables and tidy the books as items are sold, as well as to help shoppers find items and transport large purchases to their cars.

Wednesday, June 22, 2016: 9 am – 2 pm? Unsold books will be sorted and boxed up - either for use at the next book sale or to send to the Sacramento County Book Den. Volunteers can come in for only an hour or two or the entire time.

2016 DISTRICT 5180 CONFERENCE

The annual District Conference wrapped up yesterday (Sunday, May 23). Here are a few photos, straight from the conference, courtesy of Alice Rowe.

Of special note: Our own Ray Ward was responsible for organizing and running the conference. Ray is also the District Membership Chair.



2016 DISTRICT 5180 CONFERENCE





2016 ROTARY DAY



Sunday, June 5 at 1:05 p.m.

Sacramento River Cats vs. Albuquerque Isotopes

Triple-A Affiliate of the Colorado Rockies



ENJOY THESE EXCITING BENEFITS!

- ★ Excellent Rotarian Seating Options - Senate & Assembly
- ★ \$22 Senate Seating (\$6 to End Polio Now), \$15 Assembly Seating (\$3 to End Polio Now) & \$10 Donation Seating (to be given away by the district) (\$2 to End Polio Now)
- ★ Seat selection based on best seats available at time of payment (yes, early birds get the 3rd base side)

Can't make it, but still want to support POLIO NOW? Tickets purchased for this game can be exchanged at the Raley Field's Round Table Pizza Ticket Office for any Sunday-Thursday regular season game.

DEADLINE FOR ORDERS is JUNE 1st 2016! Remember early birds get the best seats

Name: _____ Member ID #: _____

Rotary Club of: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

	# OF TICKETS	
\$22	Senate: _____	= \$ _____
	(\$6 Polio)	
\$15	Assembly: _____	= \$ _____
	(\$3 Polio)	
\$10	Donated* Tickets: _____	= \$ _____
	(\$2 Polio)	
TOTATDUE: \$ _____		

* River Cats will match every donation ticket purchased

To place your order,, please return this form along with payment (made payable to Rotary District 5180) to:

Tom Cicchini
2200-B Douglas Blvd., Suite 150
Roseville, CA 95661

For questions please contact: Tom Cicchini at 916.773.1938 or tom.cicchini@raymondjames.com



FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Club Meeting Topic: Club Assembly	May 23 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Fair Oaks Clubhouse 7997 California Ave
Rotary International Conference	May 28 – June 1	Seoul, Korea
No Club Meeting	May 30	
Rotary Day at the River Cats	June 5 11:00 AM	Congregate at: Clubhouse Parking Lot For Bus Transportation
Club Meeting Speaker: Robert Sanger Topic: Folsom Cordova Community Partnership	June 6 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Fair Oaks Clubhouse 7997 California Ave
Club Meeting Speaker: TBA	June 13 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Fair Oaks Clubhouse 7997 California Ave
Club Board Meeting	June 15 6:30 – 8:30 PM	TBA
Club Meeting Speaker: Pete Schroeder Topic: The Year in Review	June 20 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Fair Oaks Clubhouse 7997 California Ave
Demotion Dinner	June 25	

