



Rotary Club of Orangevale  
District 5180  
August 11, 2023 Meeting

**GUESTS:**

Keith Wright - visiting and future Rotarian(?)  
Ernie Womack– Guest of Catrina Womack  
Katherine Acquazzino– guest of Steve Blair  
Arnold Kunst – Speaker

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

We have our first vocational tour set for October 21, 2023 at 4 pm at the Sierra Nevada Brewing Company in Chico. \$15 a person, limited to a total of 20 people. This one will go fast, so sign up now with Rob A.

Our backpack collection was very successful. 35 backpacks, 8 bags of school supplies, \$335 for more supplies and backpacks and thanks to Don R's girlfriend Kimberly Clark 304 boxes of kleenax! Now we are calling on everyone to go through their closets, their kids' closets and their grandkids' closets for new or slightly worn clothes to donate to an store in the Sunrise mall that collects and distributes clothing to under privileged kids in junior high and high school. Dennis S and Lorie R are collecting at the club.

Bike trail cleanup is 9/21 at Black Miner's Bar. Just tell the park attendant you're with the clean up crew, and they'll let you in.

Don Russell is encouraging all to go to the Blood Drive at Vitalent 8/17/2023, coming up. And we'll assume Don's offer of a pint for a pint, still stands. Donate a pint of blood at Vitalent, he'll buy you a pint of beer(or a glass of your favorite beverage. )

On August 19, 2023 is our ice cream social – Hawaiian themed -- at Steve B's at 6:15. Bring a pint (of ice cream) and toppings will be supplied.

Our next dine around is August 29 at El Gallo on Madison at Fair Oaks.

Audrey has a sign up for spreading bark at Bob K's house on the 12th.

**CRAB FEED**

It's time to start gearing up. Deanna Maddox sent around sign-ups for the committees. We'll be using the same software as we used last year. Janice is collecting Auction Items. Contact her to get things turned in.



**VOCATIONAL :**

Eileen Hernandez was our vocational speaker, discussing her background and operating the best Mexican Restaurant in Orangevale. She is a native Californian, born in Roseville. Her Dad worked construction, and Mom assembled parts for Nintendo while she was going to Casa Robles. Finally compliments to Mom's cooking pushed him to open La Placita, and things went up from there. Her dad built the original interior of the restaurant, and parts of it still remain. She took over after Jessie retired and works it with her surviving brother Carlos. Her kids went to BV (Go Rams(?)) and she likes paddle boarding and scuba diving. When asked where was her favorite place to scuba dive, she said with her Dad, but he couldn't scuba dive anymore: doctor's orders. Her kids are successful. One is a vet tech and the other a Post Partum Doula.

**PROSPECTOR:**

Patty kept it coming:

Don Russell and Bert S. were late

The Jeopardy Category was International Rotary President. After collecting from the club, for not knowing his desire to eliminate mental health needs, near and far, and

Switching categories to the Orangevale Farmers Market, more fines for not knowing the band playing (Jimmy Buffet), she opened up the floor to happy fines.

Mike M was very happy Mia called, and said she's coming back to the US to learn analytics

David S paid to celebrate his favorite wife's XXth birthday on Monday.

**SPEAKER:**

Arnold Kunst was introduced as a certified Abe Lincoln junkie and the author of Lincoln 365: a compendium of a years worth of stories and quotes for every situation.

His favorite Lincoln saying: Whatever you are, be a good one."

Despite clinical depression – called melancholy back then – his drug of choice was laughter. Lincoln could find humor in everything.

The book was based on Mr. Kunst's work with prisoners, trying to provide them good examples as they paid their price to society.

Patty asked if the saying were helpful to the inmates, and he felt that they helped the prisoners in his math class become a little less volatile at least in his math classes. "I don't like that man. I must get to know him better."

Asked what his favorite quotation was, Mr. Kunst could only say he couldn't pick one. He likes many including his second inaugural address where he didn't gloat over the south losing, but address the collective guilt over slavery in both the north and south.

**RAFFLE:**

The white ball was drawn again. Better luck next week.

Board meeting Monday at the OV Chamber

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY :** "Beer, if drunk with moderation, softens the temper, cheers the spirit, and promotes health. " Thomas Jefferson.

**NEXT WEEK:**

– Greeters

Bryan Daniels

Bob Kurtz

-Invoker

Ann Hively

--Vocational Speaker

Bryan Daniel

--Speaker Casa Robles Boosters.

Have a great week and share Rotary!