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# March , 2016

## March is Literacy Month

### God Loves Us, So He Gave Us The Marijuana Collective

Jamie Kerr, founder of the 530 Marijuana Collective, gave us a talk about her business including the reasons for serving the public. She started her collective in 2009. Jamie mentioned five types of California licenses being available describing each. There are actually 17 different license types created by AB266 and SB 643. These generally cover cultivation, manufacturing, testing, dispensary and transport. The act governing for the State of California is the Medical Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act. (MMRSA) The Act consists of three separate bills which were enacted at the same time on September 11th, 2015, to take effect January 1, 2016. These parts consist of AB266, AB243 and SB643.



Jamie Kerr

**AGENCIES** AB 266 establishes a new Bureau of Medical Marijuana Regulation under the Department of Consumer Affairs. The Bureau is to establish a comprehensive internet system for keeping track of licensees and reporting the movement of commercial cannabis and cannabis products.

SB 643 & AB 243 give the Dept. of Food and Agriculture responsibility for regulating cultivation; the Dept. of Public Health for developing standards for manufacture, testing, and production and labeling of edibles; the Dept of Pesticide Regulation for developing pesticide standards; and the Depts. of Fish and Wildlife and State Water Board for protecting water quality. (Sec. 19332)

Jamie mentioned she has a large number of cameras situated inside and outside her facility to monitor all that happens there. If anyone is seen sharing their product with anyone else they are not allowed into the facility again. She keeps complete records of all the people who purchase the different variations of the products she sell.

Jamie made a point of getting involved with the community once she started her business. This included the city council and the chamber of commerce. She makes a point of being as transparent as possible.

Some very interesting questions were asked by the audience. They included: Continued page 2.

# The Marijuana Collective Continued

Question 1: Do you have a banking problem? The answer was definitely yes. All sales are cash because that is the only way banking institutions will allow for keeping the money there. Because selling marijuana is still a federal crime, banks fear doing business in any other way but cash.

Question 2: How do you know the product you sell is good quality. Is there a way to guarantee the amounts of medication in your products? The answer is no there is currently on way to standardize the quality of her product. At the present time she mentioned only 20 percent of marijuana products are tested for efficacy. She accepts marijuana from members of her collective with no regulation of the product in any way.

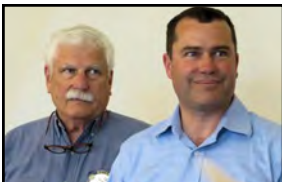
Question 3: How many of her customers does she estimate are really using her product for medical reasons: The answer was about 50 per cent. The rest use it for recreation.

Question 4: Do you consider marijuana a gateway drug. Jamie does not consider marijuana a gateway drug. The following comment comes from research documents in several reports.

Some research supports that cannabis use predicts a significantly higher risk for subsequent use of "harder" illicit drugs, while other research does not. Some research finds that even *alcohol* represents a "gateway" drug, leading to the use of tobacco, *marijuana*, and other illicit substances.

The risk factor for using drugs in cannabis users may be higher because few people try hard drugs prior to trying cannabis, not because cannabis users increasingly try hard drugs such as certain substituted amphetamines (e.g., methamphetamine). For example, cannabis is typically available at a significantly earlier age than other illicit drugs.

Thanks Jamie for a interesting talk on a very controversial subject. One final important point is all local governmental laws take precedence over all the state ordinances mention above.



## Welcome to Jason Salter

Jason is proposed by his dad Lee Salter seen to his left in the picture. Jason's expertise is web page design consulting.

## Recognitions



Trudy Tavares is recognized for a brand new car. We didn't get the make of the car but Trudy says the car is smarter than she is. Thanks for the \$100.00



Dennis was called upon to mention his recent purchase of a new car. Looking a little perplexed, Dennis mentioned the Mercedes SUV was purchase a year ago. Thanks Dennis for the \$100.00



Black Bear Diner is increasing their footprint to 74 total units by the end of 2015. Their goal is 100 units by 2018. New franchises include Colorado Springs, CO, Danville, CA, Elk Grove, CA and Vancouver, WA. Thanks for the \$100.00 Bruce.

Toward the beginning of the meeting John Mathena received a cell phone call. He was asked if the call was an emergency. The call was from John's wife Jean. John considers all calls from Jean as an emergency. John is a really smart guy. Thanks for the \$100.00 John.

# Norm Phelps was a “wild Indian”

Norm Phelps has been involved in service since his youth. Born and raised in Lebanon, Oregon, he was and still is full of mischief and humor, and claimed he and his friends were “wild Indians.” World War II was in going strong and everyone was working. He shared many funny stories of his youth. He has been a servant, in private business as well as in government positions, assuring access to insured retirement funds for others.



**Norm and Mary Jean Phelps with Pandora**

Norm had a compound fracture of his leg in a skiing accident in his senior year of high school, which created additional stories and actually resulted in his meeting his future wife on the ski slopes of Oregon. In the meantime, he enlisted in the Air Force, and became an aircraft and engine mechanic. He was stationed in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he was assigned to the Atomic Test Group. He assisted with the testing of A-bombs. When he was stationed at Edwards AFB, he met some of the “Right Stuff” men.

While home on leave from the service Norm was back on the slopes skiing. This is where he met Mary Jean. She told him if he was ever even near Corvallis to please give her a call. She suggested they could maybe have coffee. Not trying to seem too anxious Norm was in Corvallis the next day. They were married December 27<sup>th</sup>, 1957. Now that must have been some kind of coffee meeting. They have two daughters and one son. They also have four grandchildren.

The Phelps moved around the northwest frequently, where Norm was a claims adjuster in Spokane, an insurance agent in Boise, and the Risk Manager at Central Washington State University in Ellensburg, where Norm was appointed to a legislative task force charged with the task of updating the retirement system for higher education faculty. Mary Jean was a teacher of home economics and art.

While in Ellensburg, Norm joined Rotary. (1964–1965). There were some periods when there were no Rotary clubs where they lived, so Norm was in Kiwanis. They opened their own insurance business in Raymond, Washington, and when they chose to close that, they moved to Everett. Mary Jean was tired of the north west's cold, damp climate, and persuaded Norm to consider a move to a warmer location. Viola! He accepted the position of Risk Manager for Shasta County. They moved to Redding in 1985, and Norm joined Redding Rotary that year.

Norm was the think tank and creative force behind the self-insured program for 30 smaller counties in California. It involved the purchase of bonds, and the eventual development of the CSAC – EIA program. (Excess Insurance Authority) This saves the county governments millions of dollars every year. The model was also used by the Association of California Cities. Thank you Norm for giving your best for all the people in Shasta County!

In 2000, he and Mary Jean chose retirement. They are active in the Elks and the Elks RV group, called the “Trail Dusters.” They love to travel. Norm is a devoted member of the coffee group, which meets every weekday morning at the Sandwichery. When he is not traveling, Norm spent time in wood-crafting. His beautiful work can be seen at the home and the Sandwichery. Norm continues to be active in Redding Rotary. He was involved in and the early turkey deliveries. He particularly has enjoyed the social opportunities, such as the Ashland trips and the Christmas parties. He has never wanted an office. He is a strong part of what Rotary seeks to do, and is a willing participant in projects and activities.

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# Norm and Mary Jean Phelps Continued

Norm encourages new members to get involved, not just in leadership roles, but in the fun, friendship and social experiences that Rotary offers. "It's a great group of people. Make new friends; enjoy all the activities, and programs. Get involved!"

Oh, and for a few laughs and a better understanding of Norm Phelps, ask him about A.C. Baker's goat, and the principal's office at Lebanon High School.

One of Norm's hobbies is making model. He loves doing sail boats and vintage aircraft. Just a few of the aircraft can be seen hanging in the Sandwichery across from Gary Engel's Crown Camera.



Some last comments about the meeting of February 25st.. Dar Barzin won the door prize. This was a basket of home baked brownies courtesy of Michael Dacquisto.

The card game was won by Ken Wood who had to leave early. He mentioned if he won to give the money to "Literacy." This would most likely be Reading Rotarians. Thanks Ken!!!!



Marjeane Stone provided the pre – meeting entertainment. Thanks

# March Member Anniversaries

| Member Anniversaries         | Start Date | Years | Years(P) | Total |
|------------------------------|------------|-------|----------|-------|
| Allen, Robert O. (BOB)       | 03/04/99   | 17    | 0        | 17    |
| Balma, Rudolph V (RUDOLPH)   | 03/19/53   | 63    | 0        | 63    |
| Bosenko, Tom (TOM)           | 03/11/08   | 8     | 0        | 8     |
| Burks, Gary R. (GB)          | 03/17/83   | 33    | 0        | 33    |
| Chapin, James D. (JIM)       | 03/02/89   | 27    | 0        | 27    |
| Cruse, Rubin E. Jr.(RUBIN)   | 03/29/12   | 4     | 0        | 4     |
| Davis, Kristi K. (KRISTI)    | 03/29/12   | 4     | 0        | 4     |
| Grashoff, Harry L (HARRY)    | 03/04/82   | 34    | 8        | 42    |
| Lyons, Silas (SILAS)         | 03/19/15   | 1     | 0        | 1     |
| Myers, David R. (DAVE)       | 03/26/15   | 1     | 0        | 1     |
| Nystrom, Michelle (MICHELLE) | 03/13/14   | 2     | 3        | 5     |
| Tam, Edward W (ED)           | 03/29/79   | 37    | 0        | 37    |
| Tavares, Trudy L. (TRUDY)    | 03/04/99   | 17    | 0        | 17    |
| Waldrop, Daniel (DANIEL)     | 03/14/13   | 3     | 0        | 3     |
| Winter, Julie (JULIE)        | 03/19/15   | 1     | 0        | 1     |

## March Birthdays

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Davis, Todd (TODD)         | 18 March |
| Dunlap, John C (JOHN)      | 21 March |
| Fauss, Richard L (RICK)    | 21 March |
| Gallino, Donald F. (DON)   | 09 March |
| Mancasola, John A. (JOHN)  | 31 March |
| Martin, Michael (MIKE)     | 08 March |
| Moty, Patrick J. (PATRICK) | 18 March |
| Nickraves, Sheva (SHEVA)   | 13 March |
| O'Lea, Peggy (PEGGY)       | 18 March |
| Orozco, Maria T (MO)       | 02 March |
| Westlake, Steve (STEVE)    | 05 March |
| Williams, Steven L (STEVE) | 30 March |

## March Anniversaries

| Wedding Anniversaries       | Partner's      | Anniversary |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Ayer, Joe (JOE)             | Kara (KARA)    | 03/01       |
| Christensen, Bret (BRET)    | Valda          | 03/06       |
| Cunningham, Janice (JANICE) | Shane          | 03/18       |
| Dicker, Robert J. (ROBERT)  | Dolores        | 03/04       |
| Lenroot, Rush A. (RUSH)     | Hollie         | 03/07       |
| Tam, Edward W (ED)          | Irene          | 03/09       |
| Wright, Douglas A (DOUG)    | Heather Steele | 03/22       |

HAPPY EASTER!



## March Calendar

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| Mar. 3rd  | Job Shadow   |
| Mar. 5th  | Wild Game Feed 6:00 p.m. Redding Elk's Club <b>See Flyer</b> |
| Mar. 10th | TBA  |
| Mar. 17th | TBA  |
| Mar. 24th | I - House Visit  |

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  - 50% TO WINNING MEMBER'S PAUL HARRIS
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- ONLY 50 SEATS AVAILABLE



**RSVP by March 4th**

**All Skill Levels  
Welcome!!**

To RSVP or ask questions, call:  
Ryan or Chris Haedrich @ 221-1127





## *Ashland Bash 2016*



**Event: Annual Rotary Trip to Ashland**

**Name of Play: *Great Expectations*, by Charles Dickens**

**Date: Friday, April 1, 2016**

**Time: 8:00 A.M.**

**Cost: \$395 per couple**

**Couple Limit: 20-22 couples (40-44 persons)**

The total cost of \$395 per couple covers the bus, *Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens Play, suite at the Plaza Inn, the hospitality room and breakfast on Saturday morning.

We will board the bus at the far North end of the Riverview Golf & Country Club parking lot on Bechelli Ln. at 8:00 a.m. Friday and arrive in Ashland about 11:00 a.m. just in time for lunch on your own.

The play begins at 1:30 p.m. After the play we will go to the Plaza Inn to check into our rooms. There will be a hospitality suite before and after dinner. Dinner is on your own.

We will leave Ashland for Redding at 9:00 am and arrive before noon.

Tickets are first come first served. Make your reservation NOW!!

Make checks payable to Dennis Ward.

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**\*\* Note: 1. Ashland Bash this year is Friday to Saturday**

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