

## **In-Coming President's Message**

What an honor it is for me to serve as your president for the 2016/2017 Rotary year! Little did I know that after joining Rotary in 1992, I would be afforded the opportunity to lead such an outstanding group of individuals. The Rotary Club of Redding is the true definition of "Service Above Self". Over the years, this club has had a profound effect on individuals, our community, and the world. I am often asked what I miss most about my fire protection career - my answer is always the ability to effect change. Rotary gives us the ability to effect change in a positive way.

Just take a few minutes and think about our past accomplishments; Artificial Hands, Wheelchairs, International Leadership, Youth Services, cleaning up the environment, and the construction of various structures and memorial projects just to name a few. So you may ask what will we focus on this year? We will continue to serve our community as we have in the past, but I would like to focus in the following two areas:



Ray Stewart Rotary Club of Redding's 2016 - 2017 President

#### Our Youth

The future of Rotary is with the world's youth. As Rotarians we need to increase our involvement with our youth through scholarships, activity in the two INTERACT clubs at our two high schools, support the up and coming STEM event, re-establish a dynamic youth exchange program, and continue our monthly Honor to Youth award.

#### Polio Plus

Rotary has taken on Polio. We are so close to eradicating this disease from the face of the earth. Last year, there were only 5 reported cases of Polio in the world. WE ARE ALMOST THERE! Please join me in the final push to end Polio forever.

Yours in Rotary Service, Ray Stewart Club President, 2016/2017

### **Featured Member - Jeanne Jelke**

Jelke is a dynamic, world-traveled role model for Rotary, and as a direct result of an international Rotary trip, she had a life-transforming experience that encouraged her to be actively involved with Rotary and dedicated to international efforts and projects.

Her travels began with her birth in Massachusetts. She soon traveled cross country with her family when she was 5, and grew up in Red Bluff, where she graduated from high school. She attended University of the Pacific, Stockton, earning bachelor and a masters' degrees in special education. Then as a young married adult, and after four years in Hawaii, the family, with infant Karen, moved further across the world, to Papua New Guinea, where her vocational opportunities in the non-profit arena took hold.

Hired by the American Red Cross, which was the only organization serving persons with special needs, Jeanne started the special education services center in Port Moresby in 1978. She literally developed the program. Through the Brisbane (Australia) Rotary Club's international projects, money was raised to build an additional wing for the school, incorporating therapy rooms and classrooms on the main floor, with 2 flats for teachers. Jeanne was in Papua New Guinea from 1978 to 1986. Soon after her arrival, the Papua New Guinea Red Cross fired its Executive Director, and asked her to serve as interim director. Within 2 years, she was appointed permanent Director for the entire country. Her title was "Secretary General." And her son, Tony, was born.

The Red Cross raised money through a raffle, "Buy a House," and the government donated three houses for this. This attracted interest, since there was a serious shortage of homes in the area. Construction workers from the Brisbane Rotary came to Port Moresby and built the new wing. In 1984, with the project finished, Jeanne hosted England's Prince Charles, who visited and dedicated the school.

She was a mother of 2 small children in a developing country, she was CEO of a non-profit, there was increasing breakdown of law and order in the country, and her marriage had ended. She returned to Northern California with her children, and in 1987 she became Executive Director of the American Lung Association of Superior California, covering 11 northern counties.

She then was offered the position of Director of the Shasta Blood Center and later the North State Blood Center, serving a total of seven years in this capacity. Following that, she briefly had a stint with Morgan Stanley, with Rick Hill as her supervisor. Then she was recruited for an Executive Officer position with the Bay Area American Red Cross, and moved to Solano County. Just after 9/11 Jeanne worked at a Red Cross call center to respond to this crisis, and not long afterward, was offered the opportunity to direct the Benton-Franklin Chapter of the American Red Cross, located in Kennewick, Washington. Jeanne loved her years of service with the Red Cross. It was much like Rotary, emphasizing the principles of humanity, being an independent, voluntary organization, with impartiality, neutrality, unity, and universality.

Jeanne retired in 2013 and returned to Redding, rejoining Redding Rotary. Her daughter, Karen, a graduate of the Air Force Academy, and husband, Mike Spanich, are the proud parents of Emily, 2, and William, 5, and Jeanne is often found traveling to and from Las Vegas. Jeanne's son, Tony, graduated from Sonoma State University, and is a successful wine and craft beer businessman in LA.

Jeanne's parents were active with grassroots cribbage groups in Red Bluff, and Jeanne began to get involved as well. Now Jeanne and her significant other, Jim Langley, are noted cribbage players, traveling to



Jeanne at her office

tournaments all over the west and well beyond. Jeanne is the 3rd highest ranking female cribbage player in the nation! Here at home, Jeanne loves to garden and travel, and continues to volunteer. She served on the Grand Jury for 2015-2016, and has agreed to serve again in 2016 -2017. In addition, Jeanne serves on the Board of Directors of the Empire Recovery Center.

Jeanne first joined Redding Rotary in 1994. Her sponsor was Azi Barzin. She was active with Spillway and always participated in committees and programs. She continued her Rotary involvement in the Tri Cities, where the Columbia Center Club opened international experiences for Jeanne. She went to Tepic, Mexico, in 2003 where the local Rotary club worked with a local priest to develop a boarding school for indigenous children in a very remote and impoverished area, Mesa del Nayar. This was life transforming for her. The hospitality and partnership of the Tepic Rotarians was amazing. The two clubs worked on the Mesa del Mar project, developing dormitories for the students who often had to walk 8 hours one way to attend school. Just traveling into the remote village took hours in an old rickety bus, and most of the route was on narrow.



A 1st place win from the world's largest cribbage tournament

barely single lane dirty roads. Jeanne has gone back several times with Rotary, and the project continues. There is now a need for additional classrooms.

Jeanne recommends new Rotarians get involved right away. This way you meet people and you become aware of "Service above Self" from the start. This is also how you get exposed to Rotary in a real way. "Rotary is so powerful. We start locally, but we are agents of peace for the world. We are globally breaking down indifference and intolerance. Rotary helps us see the bigger picture."

And the proof is obvious when Jeanne says, "If you really become a Rotarian at heart, you will always be a Rotarian!"

## **Club News**

### Looking For New Advertisers For The Spillway

If you would like to run an ad for the year, cost is \$200 for the year. You would be billed on your monthly statement in the month of July. A business card or a custom design card size would need to be given to Karen Edkin Stovall or a copy e mailed to her. We can help you design an ad if you desire. Thank you for your continued support of all of our projects. Karenstovall@shasta.com

### **Attention Traveling Rotarians**

During the months of July, August and September, your Rotary club will be collecting shampoo, conditioner, shower gel, shower caps and soaps. All of you traveling during these months, please collect products from your hotels, cruise ships, and various travels. Rotary will then give these much needed items to the Empire Recovery Center for their residents. We also welcome a new tooth brush and sample tooth paste provided to you by your dentist on your next visit. Please give to Karen Edkin Stovall or leave at the back table and she will collect them each week. If you have questions, please contact: karenstovall@shasta.com

## What To Expect From The Spillway For 2016 - 2017

In an effort to make your Spillway newsletter more interesting and informative, you can expect to see some new additions to the publication's content:

- A biography of a Redding Rotarian. This will vary between new members to old timers and is an attempt to help us get to know each other better.
- A featured article about one of our Spillway advertisers. Although this means only 12 of our advertisers will be covered per year, we will keep track to be sure all our advertisers get their turn over the years.
- A featured article about the history of Redding by Randy Smith.
- Finally we will be publishing quarterly a list of Rotarians who have left Rotary.

We welcome your input, so if you have any suggestions to make our newsletter better, please contact Tom Stovall.

### Club Resignations - A New Feature of The Spillway

Member Name	Member Type	Term Date	Term Reason	Start Date	Club	Sponsor
Crain, Dan (DAN)	Active	05/26/2016	Business Obligations	10/08/2015	Redding	Michelle Nystrom
Knaebel, Eugene W (GENE)	Active-R85	06/17/2016	Health/Personal	04/05/1973	Redding	
Lascelles, Mark (MARK)	Active	04/30/2016	Relocation	01/26/1995	Redding	Dan Ghidinelli
Lewis, Gary (GARY)	Active-LOA	05/20/2016	Family Obligations	09/07/2006	Redding	
McCallum, Matthew Sean (MATT)	Active	06/27/2016	Relocation	09/20/2012	Redding	Charles H. Spafford, Kurt Starman
Miller, Ann Stamp (ANN)	Active	04/30/2016	Relocation	10/31/2013	Redding	Mark D. Ball M.D.
Moty, Patrick J. (PATRICK)	Active-DM	06/28/2016	Joining New Club	06/01/2008	Redding	Nolan Wells
Nash, Micah (MICAH)	Active	05/16/2016	Business Obligations	06/11/2015	Redding	Douglas A Wright
Place, Bob (BOB)	Active	06/27/2016	Business Obligations	06/01/2006	Redding	Chuck Ryan
Reynolds, Diantha (DIANTHA)	Active-DM	05/31/2016	Business Obligations	10/11/2007	Redding	Ray Williams
Zanotelli, Wendy (WENDY)	Active-LOA	06/27/2016	Relocation	09/13/2012	Redding	Jeff Avery, Greg Balkovek

### Redding Rotary's Teacher of The Year - An Update

Our very own Teacher of the Year for 2016 has just been given another honor. Turtle Bay School kindergarten teacher **Erin Salazar** has been nominated for the 2016-2017 national LifeChanger of the Year award.

Sponsored by the National Life Group Foundation, the national LifeChanger of the Year program recognizes and rewards the very best K-12 public and private school educators and employees across the United States who are making a difference in the lives of students by exemplifying excellence, positive influence and leadership.





## **Featured Article - Redding's Super Givers**

Editor's Note: The following is the first in a series of articles written by Randy Smith.

The largest gift in Redding is the most universal, present almost everywhere, taken for granted while being highly prized; it is used by many, but almost without public support. This wonderful charity is our open space. Free access to so much natural beauty including miles of a major river is very special and we are beyond fortunate to have it.

People ask why a few of us are always beating ourselves against the blackberry and burning holes in our clothing. The answer is so simple that many regard it as trivial or nonsense. We are trying to give something back, working to make things better for a beleaguered resource which has suffered from neglect and intrusion by indifferent strangers.

Critics begrudgingly admit that abating fire danger is worthy. Some regard improving access as a mixed blessing as if recreating the once normal riparian savanna, large trees and grass, is okay rather than mandatory. Most do enjoy improved visibility of the River, even if change is not something they would have championed. What is missing so often is the feeling of obligation owed these places by everyone, even those who never walk our almost sacred trails.

The natural world is supposed to take care of itself and so it did for eons. But when dams were constructed, fires suppressed, non-native and dangerous plants introduced, resources extracted, water diverted, impervious layers added and so forth ad infinitum; then the perpetrator owes substantive labor to make recompense and establish a sustainable legacy for the future.

This is not work belonging to the crazed or the government or Native Americans or zealots. Here is an original sin which stains everyone yet can be ameliorated by rich and poor, old and young, everyone every day in some way, somewhere without end.

Across many years and cultures, others have expressed this ethic perhaps none so well as Theodore Roosevelt in his "All the questions which can come before this nation, there is none which compares in importance with the central task of leaving this land even a better land for our descendants than it is for us." Thoreau, Muir, Leopold, Carson and an army of philosophers and writers have extolled the virtues of the natural world and begged our respect and conservation. Hopefully, stewardship will become something for us all, not just a few.





Before...

...after!

# **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

### Birthdays and Anniversaries for 07/01/2016 to 07/31/2016

Member Birthdays	Birthday	
Barzin, Dara (DAR)		10-Jul
Davis, Kristi K. (KRISTI)		26-Jul
Ebersole, Carl M. (CARL)		22-Jul
Finnegan, Jennifer R. (JENN)		30-Jul
Fitzpatrick, John C. (JOHN)		14-Jul
Grashoff, Harry L (HARRY)		10-Jul
Hebrard, Mike (MIKE)		11-Jul
Howland, Justin (BILL)		1-Jul
Hoyt, Karen (KAREN)		2-Jul
Johannessen, K. Maurice (K. MAURICE)		16-Jul
Mangas, Mike (MIKE)		24-Jul
Montague, Jason (JASON)		19-Jul
Morrison, Ed (ED)		29-Jul
Olmstead, Larry (LARRY)		31-Jul
Poch, Eugene F. (GENE)		28-Jul
Smith, Randall R. (RANDALL)		12-Jul
Stewart, Ray (RAY)		11-Jul
Tate, James D (JAMES)		18-Jul

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Dacquisto, Michael (MICHAEL)	Tina	12-Jul	30
Dunbar, Greg (GREG)	Cindy	14-Jul	37
Girimonte, Joseph A. (JOE)	Diane	28-Jul	7
Hebrard, Mike (MIKE)	Marie (MARIE)	6-Jul	16
Howland, David (DAVID)	Lori (LORI)	17-Jul	
Lyons, Kristen (KRISTEN)	Silas	4-Jul	19
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Mancasola, John A. (JOHN)	Molly	26-Jul	36
Mangas, Jacob R (JACOB)	Janet	24-Jul	12
Michiels, Tiger Joe (TIGER)	Susie (SUSIE)	16-Jul	22
Montague, Jason (JASON)	Cherie	31-Jul	24
Morrison, Ed (ED)	Em	1-Jul	55
Seamans, Kendell D. (KEN)	Susan	18-Jul	29
Smithson, Arthur J. (ART)	Denise	8-Jul	27
Weaver, Brent (BRENT)	Leanne	2-Jul	17
Williams, Steven L (STEVE)	Nancy	25-Jul	35
Wyse, Joe (JOE)	Erica	3-Jul	23

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