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What Do DA Investigators Do?

Before the meeting started Rick Hill entertained us with his guitar playing. Very nice. Thanks, Rick.



President Jeff introduced **Karen Karnatz** and **Rick Plummer**, co-captains of Team 4, who got things going. **Dee Domke** led the pledge and **Jake Mangas** gave the invocation. **Jake** also informed us that long time member and **Past President Gary Engell** passed away on Monday. **Gary** was a member of our club for 28 years. His services will be Saturday November 23 at 3:00 pm at the Palo Cedro Allen and Dahl funeral home. A reception will follow at Riverview.

PP Dick Green introduced visiting Rotarians and guests. We were off and running.

Announcements: Bell Ringers: Dee Domke needs bell ringers. Each year during the Christmas season, our club helps the Salvation Army raise funds by ringing bells at various businesses. Please contact Dee at 949-1247 or djdomke@outlook.com to volunteer. It is such a good cause and a chance to visit with some members you may not see very often. Please help.

Team Meeting: Teams 4 and 5 are having a joint social next Friday night. It will **be** held at the Redding Cemetery and **Karen Karnatz** will give a very interesting tour and relate the history of some of the folks buried there. This has been done in the past and has been very interesting and popular. Contact **Karen Karnatz or Rick Plummer** for more information,

PP Ed Rullman announced there will be a meeting to promote the 1 cent sales tax ballot measure next Wednesday at 5 p.m. at the Red Lion Hotel. Thanks, Ed, for the \$100 to the Foundation.

Shield Training Center: Eva Jimenez placed flyers on our tables and announced that we are all invited to the grand opening of the **Shield Training Center**. You may remember from a recent Rotary program that this is a training center for First Responders in the Northstate area. It is a great and long overdue program that will enhance the readiness of First Responders in the Northstate without them having to travel great distances for training and recertification. The Grand Opening will be on November 20th from 9 to 11 am at 4300 Caterpillar Way in Redding. Thanks, **Eva**, for the \$100 to the Foundation.

Wrong Video: President Jeff showed a video that was supposed to be about Polio Plus, but instead talked about the Rotary Foundation's work in India. **PP Jeff** paid \$100 to Polio for the error. Thanks, **Prez.**

Auction: A week before he died so suddenly, **PP Gary Engell** donated the transfer of a DVR recording to a DVD and a canvas photo made from a photo of your choice. **President Jeff** auctioned them off and **Mark Rincon** bought them for a \$350 donation to the club. Thanks, **Mark**.

Recognitions: Michelle Nystrom travelled to Hawaii and had a great time. Didn't get the amount, but thanks, **Michelle.**

Ed Tam was receiving phone calls with people asking for **Amy** at his house. Turns out that his home phone number was erroneously put on a Simpson University business card. Seems like Simpson should have paid, but Ed donated \$100 to the club and \$100 to his Paul Harris. Thanks, **Ed.**

Bob Allen was tagged for many travels. So many that he donated \$300. \$100 to the club, \$100 to his Shan, and \$100 to his Paul Harris. Thanks, **Bob.**

THE PRODIGAL BELL RETURNS: After keeping us in suspense for several months and worrying us half to death, the errant Rotary Bell has returned. Rotary Bell travelled far and wide. Bell was even interviewed by **Mike Mangas** who tried to get to the bottom of the story. **Mike** was heard to say "Unlike the Liberty Bell, this one won't crack". **President Jeff** levied many fines, but was too fast for me to catch. Some of the people who either were in on the escape, or tried to return the bell are shown. Glad Bell is back. I imagine there will be increased security in the future. Notice that President Jeff has a good grip on Bell's throat! He was heard to mutter, "Gotcha, you little sucker!"





Heroes or Culprits, You Decide!













Program: District Attorney and fellow **Rotarian Stephanie Bridget** introduced Chief Investigator for the District Attorney's office, **Joe Hendrix**. **Joe** told us he heads up a team of 11 investigators in the DA's office. They work in conjunction with local agencies or sometimes on their own to investigate situations that may lead to a charge by the DA. All of his investigators are sworn police officers.

Note: The following three paragraphs are excerpted from the District Attorney's webpage, but I felt it gave a very good overview of the functioning of the DA's Bureau of Investigations.

The District Attorney's investigative authority is independent of other local law enforcement agencies. District Attorney Investigators perform a broad range of investigations including investigations into specialized areas not handled by other local law enforcement agencies; investigations reflecting the areas targeted by the Shasta County District Attorney to "improve the administration of justice": investigations into areas targeted by the state; investigations to assist the operations of other



President Jeff and Chief Investigator Joe Hendrix

departments/programs; and assistance in trial preparation investigations.

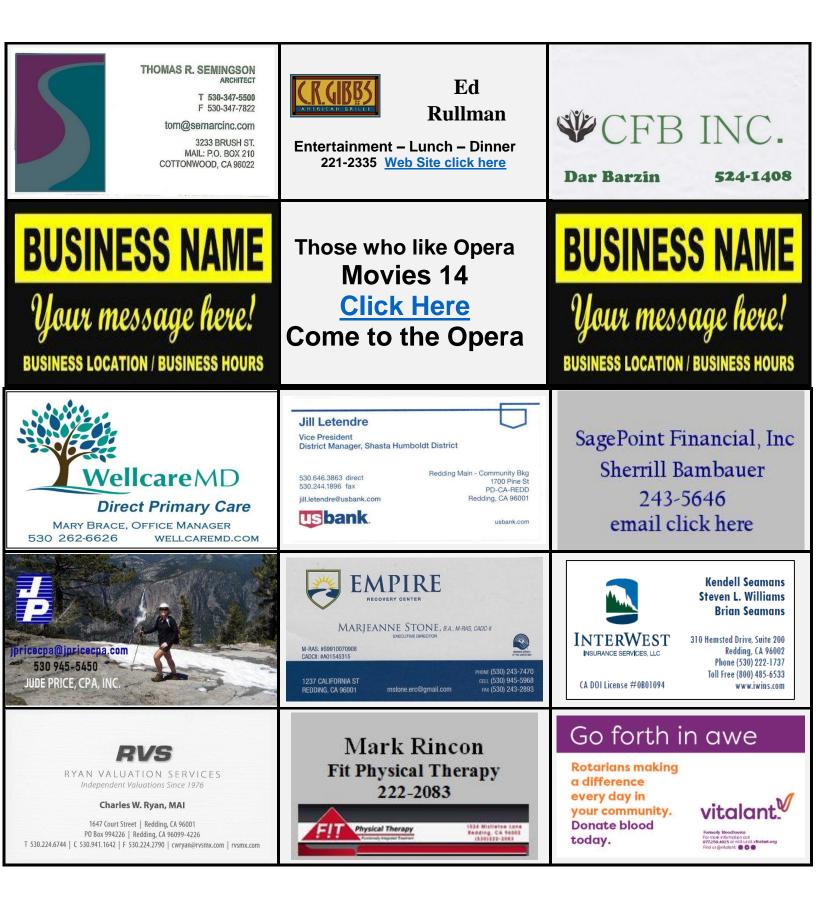
Investigators from the District Attorney's Office are part of the critical incident response team called out when an incident involving the use of "lethal force" by a peace officer occurs in the county. DA Investigators are also called upon to conduct investigations into suspected misconduct by government officials, public employees or local agencies.

Each Shasta County District Attorney Investigator working in the Bureau of Investigation is a sworn California Peace Officer as defined in Section 830.1 of the California Penal Code. DA Investigators are located at 1355 West Street, Redding, CA. Funding for the DA Investigators is primarily by state and federal funding sources.

Some but not all of the areas investigated would be many fraud areas including consumer, welfare, real estate and insurance. They also look into some jail deaths, abducted children, workman's comp fraud, victim witness and many more. To put it mildly, they are very busy and do a good job. Nice Program. Thanks, **Stephanie** and **Joe.**

November 21	Dan Blair, PG&E - Public Safety Policy
November 28	Dark
December 5	Santa and the Madrigals?
December 12	Rotary Christmas Party on December 10 th . Club dark on the 12th
December 19	Past President's Program
December 26	Dark





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