



January 16, 2020

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New Police Chief Visits Rotary

Before our meeting started, **Marjeanne Stone** entertained us with her wonderful piano playing. Thanks,



Marjeanne at the piano

Marjeanne. President **Jeff** opened the meeting and introduced Team One co-captains, **Teresa Adams** and **Jill Letendre** who got things going. **PP Gary Burks** led the pledge and **Mike Mangas** did the invocation. **PP Steve Westlake** introduced visiting Rotarians and guests. We were off and running.

Announcements: **PP Amelia Ward** announced the upcoming Rotary Auction to be held on February 13th at noon. Auction items are still needed, contact Amelia to help. Come early around 11:00 am to look over all the items. Good project, lets support it. See the

flyer in this edition for more details.

PP Greg Dunbar read a very touching letter from Karen C., a Carr fire survivor, who thanked our club for its help to her. He also recognized **Kathy Malain** with a Spirit of Rotary award.

Kathy is working on a Rotary committee that oversees the disbursement of Rotary funds to Carr fire victims. Since September 2019, our club has granted 35 requests for a total of \$23,00 to Carr fire victims. Thanks and congratulations, **Kathy**.



Rick Plummer

Craft Talk: **Rick Plummer** gave his craft talk today. He is the Director of Marketing and Communications for Dignity Health Northstate.

Rick has moved all over the west coast, for family and career advancement. He has a bachelor from Washington State University in broadcast communications, and a Masters in healthcare Innovation from Arizona State University. He moved to Redding almost 2 years ago, and expects Redding will be home for the foreseeable future. He has also played semi-professional football in Washington, raced off-road motorcycles in Nevada and Colorado, and every April, attends the Academy of Country Music Awards. His region covers everything North of Sacramento to the Oregon State line. St. Elizabeth Community Hospital in Red Bluff, Mercy Medical Center Mt. Shasta, and our flagship hospital, Mercy Medical Center Redding.



Kathy Malain and PP Greg Dunbar

Honor to Youth: We had two Honor to Youth awards today. The first went to **Ryan C.** for his work and achievements in his 4H club. He has held many leadership positions in his club and for years has donated a portion of the money he receives from selling his animals at the County Fair to veteran's groups. Congratulations **Ryan.**

The next award went to **Ashlee D.** who is a volunteer at Turtle Bay. She has shown an amazing facility and talent as an animal trainer and works with some of the more difficult animals housed at Turtle Bay.



Ryan C. and President Jeff

Congratulations, **Ashlee.**

Each person received a check for \$250 and a plaque to honor their achievements.

Recognitions: **Kathy Anderson** has moved into her new home. Thanks for the \$100, **Kathy.**



L-R Sharon Clays, Ashlee D., Jonelle Meyer, President Jeff

Rachel Hatch visited relatives in Iowa with her family. Bet it was cold and thanks for the \$100, **Rachel.**



Randy Tate went to St. Croix with his family and his mother. Father **James** stayed home and worked. Thanks **Randy** and **James** for the \$100 each to the club.

Jason Salter is proud of his daughter for excelling Tae Kwon Do for many reasons. Thanks for your \$100 to your Paul Harris, **Jason.**

Jason Richart went to Reno for the Santa Pub Crawl. Had a great time, didn't get arrested so had enough to say "Whatever I owe" to my Paul Harris. Thanks, **Jason.**

Bruce Dean and **Steve Williams** and their wives went on a Rhine river cruise that started in Amsterdam and ended up in Zurich. Had a good time and was worth \$100 to each of their Paul Harris accounts. Thanks **Bruce** and **Steve.**

Program: **PP Ed Rullman** introduced our new **Chief of Police, Bill Schueller.** **Chief Schueller** joined RPD in 1994 and has served in most if not all departments. For the last five years, he has managed the installation of new and comprehensive software to tie in the law enforcement agencies in the county.



RPD Chief Bill Schueller

Chief Schueller gave us an update on the status of the Police Department and reviewed some crime statistics in the Redding Area. He pointed out that major crimes are down 8% in 2019, although it was not clear if the incidence of crimes was really lower or if people just weren't reporting them due to citizen frustration. He furthered cautioned that the data was preliminary and may change in the next few weeks.

He pointed out that Redding is a large city with 60 square miles to patrol. It is divided into seven sections so there are seven police patrolling the 60 miles and that this is pretty thin. Although Redding has continued to grow in population with increased police responsibilities and demands, we had 119 sworn officers in 2008 and only 107 today. This is actually a small improvement as there were only 98 in 2014.

Several things have helped. CSOs or Community Services Officers are able to take reports of car accidents s, burglaries, and other nonviolent crimes. This frees sworn officers to do patrol, investigations, and be more proactive in the community. In 2008 there were 15 CSOs which dropped to 3 from 2012 to 2015. It is now back up to 11 which should help with response times and backlogs.

He spoke of the Neighborhood Police Unit which is a proactive force not tied to the radio or dispatch. They have been very effective in the four years they have been operating. They have made 1089 felony arrests, 711 misdemeanor arrests, and contacted over 9,100 individuals. They have actively made arrests at downtown motels as well as residences, interrupted drug sales, assisted in sting operations in child sexual predator cases, among many many more cases. He noted that Bethel donated \$500,000 to keep the NPU operating.

He spoke of the Community Cleanups of homeless camps. This is an ongoing problem that seems to be increasing. In 2018 the Police Department working with other agencies and organizations removed 338,000 pounds of waste from homeless camps. By 2019 the amount removed had increased to 408,000 pounds.

He spoke of the upcoming Measure A. From the money that would be allotted to the City of Redding, the police department would receive an estimated 4.9 million dollars. That would allow another 11 sworn offices, 4 additional investigators, as well as additional training and equipment. Needless to say, this would be very helpful.

Thank you **Chief Schueller** for a very interesting enlightening program.

Calendar

January 23	Sheriff Eric Magrini
January 30	District Governor Tina Akins
February 6	Jake Fuller, Director of LAVA Charter Academy
February 13	Valentine Auction

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To: RCR Membership
From: Rotary Club of Redding, Board of Directors
Date: January 6, 2020

Riverview is increasing our catering costs effective January 1. Due to this price increase, RCR will be raising the weekly meeting fee to \$19.00 effective February 1, 2020.

Make-up meetings and guest meeting fees will now be \$20.00.

History:

As of January 1, 2020, we will be paying \$18.00 per meal plus a \$250 monthly room charge to Riverview.

Riverview increased our lunch cost by 81 cents effective October 2017, bringing our meal cost to \$17.06, plus a \$250 monthly room charge. There was no meeting fee increase passed along to the members by RCR at this time.

The last time we raised meeting fees was in July 2008, when our meeting fee was raised to \$18.00.

A breakdown on what your \$19.00 weekly meeting fee goes towards:

\$14.58 is food

\$2.16 is surcharge (gratuity)

\$1.26 is sales tax

Total per meal is \$18.00 to Riverview

The remaining \$1.00 goes toward our monthly room charge of \$250.00



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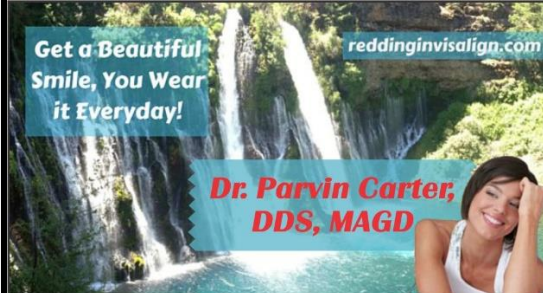
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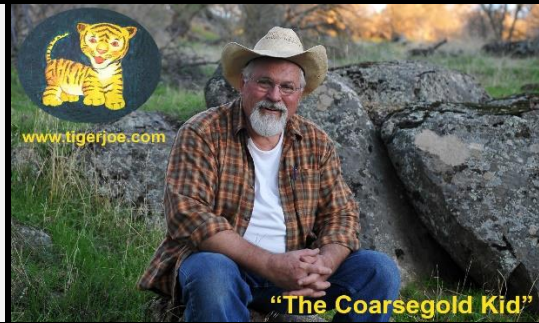
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