

An Update on Your Fellow Rotarians

I think it's safe to say that we miss getting together every week. We miss hanging out at our favorite tables, picking on the people around us, watching each other get fined by President Jeff, and generally enjoying the camaraderie that comes with our weekly Rotary luncheons. With that in mind, we're happy to bring you this week some fun updates on a few of your fellow Rotarians who shared with us the new things going on their lives.

If you'd like your story to be shared in future editions of The Spillway, please email your story and a couple photos to Tom Stovall (<u>tlstovall@att.net</u>).

Betty Harrison-Smith's New House

As you know, **Betty Harrison-Smith** and her husband Rick lost their home in the Carr Fire in 2018. It's been a long time in the making, but they've finally moved into their new home!

"Twenty months in an RV is long enough," said Betty. After losing their home they decided to rebuild on the same spot as before. This was important to their kids as it's the location of the home they grew up in, and the family really wanted to keep that legacy alive. Betty and her family celebrated last Christmas Eve dinner in the unfinished new house, enjoying hamburgers and chili. They loved being back in the old spot!

Shurtleff Cottage

A new sign for a new home, "Shurtleff Cottage".

Betty & Rick at their new front door.

Betty says she and Rick celebrated their first night in the completed new home with champagne and popcorn. "Many thanks to the Redding Rotarians who kept track of us and helped us through this time of transition," she said.

	Calendar
May 14	No Meeting - Drink Some Ice Tea
May 21	No Meeting - Turn All the Fans On
May 28	No Meeting - Jump In the Pool
June 4	No Meeting - Seriously, it's HOT!

Spillway Editor and Production, Jennifer Finnegan

Jenn Finnegan's New Office

After years of enjoying offices in the California Welcome Center in Anderson, the Lassen Park Foundation office has recently moved to some new digs right here in Redding.

"It's about time," says **Jenn Finnegan**, Executive Director. "As much as I loved working with the Welcome Center staff and partnering so well with the Visit Redding crew, it was time for us to make the change."

Their new office is located in the Apex Technology building on Hemsted Drive in Redding, also the home of Morgan Stanley and InterWest



New Home of the Lassen Park Foundation Office

Insurance. "It's kind of fun being so close to many of my fellow Rotarians", Jenn commented. "I love being this close to all the people and organizations that we partner with in our endeavors to support the park. Thank you to everyone who helped get us here, especially **Scott Putnam**!"

Welcome to Redding, Jenn & Lassen Park Foundation!

Some Quick Pix of Your Fellow Rotarians...



Steve Westlake... Got a new roof on his home.



Dee Domke... Making masks while hanging out at home. Up to 120 now, way to go!



Amelia Ward... Doing well during the stay at home times.



President Jeff Avery... Having a birthday (guess which one!)

Rotary Blood Drive

Even though we are not meeting in person for Rotary, our friends, families, and community members



have a need for blood transfusions. Especially since blood donation needs have changed with the resumption of elective surgeries. Vitalant is there for these patients, but they cannot do it without your blood donation! Please

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Honor to Youth - March

Nikolai B. was Shasta High School's Honor to Youth recipient for March, honored for his academic excellence (4.41 Weighted GPA, and AP Scholar with Honor), community service and musical talent. He is involved in many extra-curricular school activities including Model United Nations (V.P.), Philosophy Club (Secretary), and the Environmental Club.

Nikolai has participated in Shasta High Choirs (Troubadours, Madrigals, and A Cappella) all four years, and was chosen for the California All-State Choir three years. He has also participated in four Shasta High Musicals (Crazy For You, Les Miserables, The Little Mermaid as Jetsam, and Fiddler on the Roof as Tevye). He had a live audition at Stanford in 2019, and was recognized by the California State Assembly for an "Outstanding Performance at the Heritage Music Festival in Anaheim".

Nikolai volunteered at Turtle Bay Exploration Park during the summers of 2015-17 for a total of approximately 200 hours, and has participated in Community Cleanups organized by the city and environmental club. He held a paid position with Youth Conservation Corps at Whiskeytown National Recreation Area during the summers of 2018 and 2019, gaining valuable skills in leadership and teamwork. After his high school graduation this year, he hopes to attend a four-year university to pursue a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering. He would like to thank his mother, father, grandmother, and his teachers for supporting his school career, and Principal Leo Perez and Redding Rotary for this honor.

Little Libraries Completed

First Five Shasta and the Rotary Club of Redding teamed up to make Little Libraries to install around town for the public to enjoy. "This is a way for folks who can't get to the Shasta Public Library to still have access to new books, new titles to enjoy", said Rotarian **Wendy Dickens**, Executive Director of First Five Shasta. She added that the idea is for people to be able to take a new book while leaving a book they've already read for someone else to enjoy.



Little Library Video (click image)

Seventeen different houses were built by your fellow Rotarians! **PP Pat Corey** provided the pre-fab kits available for folks to pick-up and put together. Several different families constructed the house and custom painted them in fun and whimsical styles. PP Steve Westlake partnered with Wendy to coordinate the project and picked up completed houses to deliver back to Pat for installation. **President Jeff** selected the best two houses, and the builders will be given either a \$50 Jack's Steakhouse gift card (donated by PP Steve Westlake), or a \$50 gift card to Barnes & Nobles (donated by Wendy Dickens.)

And the winners are.... Kathy Malain & Theresa Adams! Congratulations you two. Wendy will be contacting you to get your gift cards.

To see a brief clip on the Mike Mangas interview about the Little Libraries, click on the image at the top of this article.





Gardening season is off to a great start:

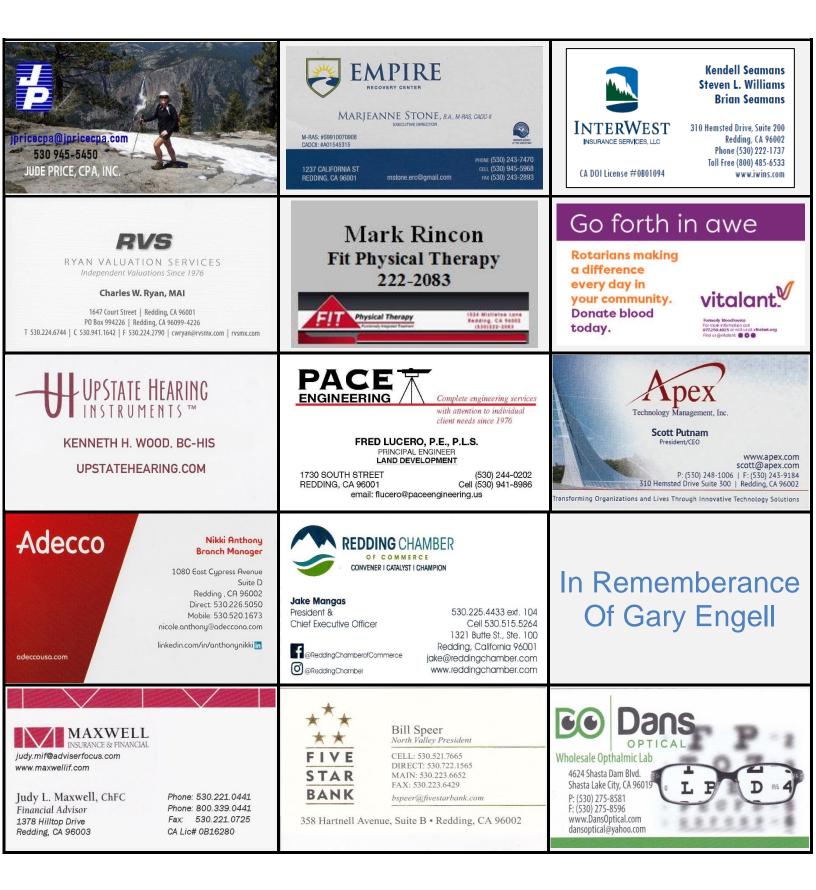
I planted myself in front of a TV four weeks ago, and I've already grown noticeably.

First day back at school after lockdown 😤 🙄 🧝 🍘













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