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Big Changes!

Due to the threat of Corona Virus, several actions have been taken by District 5160 and our Board of Directors.

1. District Assembly on March 21st is CANCELLED.
2. Passport to Adventure on May 1-3 is CANCELLED
3. I-House visit March 21 to March 26 is CANCELLED
4. Our weekly Rotary meetings from now to up to and including April 9th are CANCELLED. Whether or not meetings will be resumed on April 16th will be evaluated at a later date.

Back to Today

Before the meeting, **Jennifer Finnegan** entertained us with her beautiful piano playing. Thank you **Jennifer**.



President Jeff introduced Team 2 Co-Captains, **Mary Brace** and **Kristi Davis** who got things going. **Kristi Davis** led the pledge, **Rick Fauss** did the invocation, and **PP Chuck Ryan** introduced guests and visiting Rotarians.

Recognitions: **Trudy Tavares** went on a trip to Scottsdale, Grand Canyon, and Sedona. Thank you for the \$200 to the club. Thanks, **Trudy**.

Tim Thomas took his 2 grandnieces to Maui. Had a good time. Thank you for the \$100 to his Shan. Thanks, **Tim**.

PP Chuck Ryan bought the drinks at the **Chet Moore Memorial Committee** meeting before this week's meeting. Very nice of him and worth \$100 to the club. **President Jeff** tried to throw attendees under the bus for more recognitions, but it didn't go well. Thanks, **Chuck**.

Mark Wood had to cancel a trip to Italy. Darn, plus \$200 to his Paul Harris. Thanks, **Mark**.

PP Tom Stovall also had to cancel a trip to Europe. Was worth \$100 to the club. Thanks, **Tom**.

PP Greg Balkovek was going on the trip to Europe with the **Stovall's** which also had to be cancelled. Thanks for the \$100 to your Paul Harris.

Wendy Dickens and **PP Pat Corey** have been collaborating on small Free Libraries to put up in various locations. There may have been a recognition, but I didn't hear it. Nice project, and I'm sure it helps a lot of kids.

PP Gary Burks went fishing off the coast. He looked pretty good the first day, but not so much on the second day. Looked like fun. Thanks for the \$100 to your Shan and \$100 to your son 's Paul Harris.

Joe Wyse paid \$25 for a short talk on proper hand washing. Good idea. Think about how clean you would want your hands if you have been eating Doritos and now you are going to handle a white sweater. Good advice. Thanks, **Joe**.

Announcement and Recognition: Grand Jury seeking jurors. Jeanne Jelke asked people to consider volunteering to be on the upcoming Grand Jury. It is a great experience and people who have served are very pleased that they did so. The deadline for applying is April 10th. There will be two informative meetings on March 25 and again on March 30. They will be held at 3:00 pm at the Community Room and City Hall. **Jeanne** donated \$100 to the club for her announcement.

Program: Leslie Morgan introduced **Division Chief Nick Truax** who runs the **Sugar Pine Conservation**



L-R Chief Truax and President Jeff

Camp in conjunction with the Shasta County Fire Department. It is located east of Palo Cedro and typically has 90 to 120 inmates. **Chief Truax** related some information about the Sugar Pine Conservation Camp. The following information was excerpted from the camp's webpage and edited by me. It was a very interesting program and it is clear that the camp provides a great service to the state and specifically to Shasta County.

Camp History: The Camp opened June 24, 1988. The California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation (CDCR) and the California Department of Forestry and Fire

Protection (Cal Fire) jointly operate the Camp. The primary mission of the camp is to provide inmate fire crews for fire suppression principally in the Shasta County area and throughout the state. In addition to fire suppression, inmate hand crews provide a work force for floods, conservation projects, and community services.

Camp Products: Sugar Pine Camp has a Cal Fire Engraving Shop staffed with inmate workers. The engraving Shop produces signs, plaques, nameplates for various agencies.

The Cal Fire Cabinet Shop is also staffed with inmate workers and produces everything from beautiful oak cabinets to one of a kind birdhouse. Some of the projects that are completed by the inmates are donated to charity programs such as Victims of Crime and the Women's Refuge.

Community service projects: During the calendar year, Sugar Pine Conservation Camp, through conservation and work projects, provided the local communities, State Agencies, and Federal Agencies with tens of thousands of work hours. In addition to project and conservation work, the inmate fire crews provided tens of thousands of hours in firefighting and flood work. It is estimated through Sugar Pine's emergency responses to fires, floods, and project work, the inmates provided a cost avoidance to the taxpayers of California of millions of dollars.

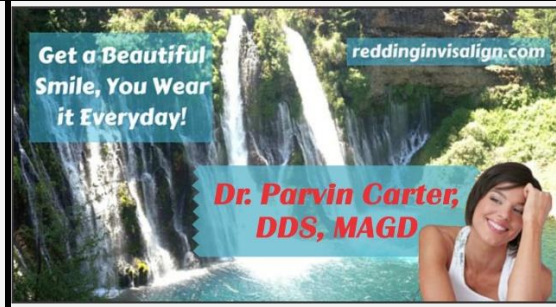
Inmate Programs: Inmates can participate in hobby crafts programs and other leisure time activities during their off-work hours. Visiting is conducted during weekends, and families can bring a picnic lunch for the visit. There are also spiritual services and recovery programs provided by community volunteers. One of the highlights of the year is the Annual Community Appreciation Car “Show & Shine”, sponsored by the local community. With these benefits, inmates quickly learn that life in a conservation camp is preferable to life behind the walls of a prison and, therefore, conduct themselves accordingly.

Sugar Pine Conservation Camp hosts a variety of programs in conjunction with local volunteers.

- Alcoholics/Narcotic Anonymous meeting on a weekly basis.
- Church Services Bi-weekly.
- Group Bible Study
- Purpose Driven Life Program
- Pre-Release Program
- DMV- California I.D. and Driver's license program
- G.E.D. Program
- College Correspondence Courses
- Hobby Program / Victims of Crime/Women's Refuge Donations
- Music Appreciation Program
- Annual Community Appreciation Car “Show & Shine”
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Calendar

March 14	Bowlathon
March 19 to April 9	Dark -- No Weekly Meeting
March 21	District Assembly-- Cancelled
March 21-26	I-House Visit -- Cancelled
May 1-3	Passport to Adventure -- Cancelled



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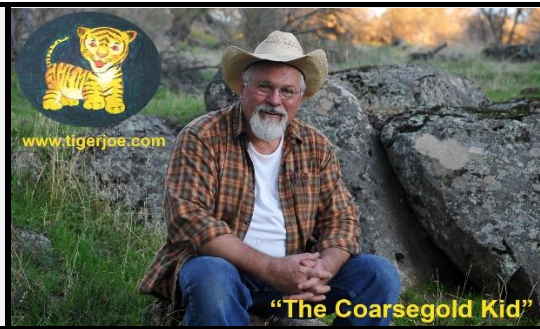


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