

## Rotary Has Lost a Great Friend - Past President Gary Burks







Remembering Gary Burks: This Bud's for You (by President Jake Mangas)

Today we got the stunning news that Gary Burks, longtime general manager of Foothill Distributing (now Blach Beverage), passed away suddenly late Wednesday evening. I am very much still trying to process this reality, and thought I would share with you at least a few thoughts that have come to mind about my friend, fellow Rotarian, and legend in the Redding business community.

Gary was one of those people who made you feel as though you were his best friend. I would see him and he would always be in a better mood than I. I am not alone in this sentiment. When Gary wasn't filling your cup with an ice cold Budweiser and talking about the Giants, Niners, Redding Colt 45's, or UCLA, he was "filling your cup" in other ways. I always left my visits with Gary feeling better about myself and about life.

He was a tireless community supporter. In just the few hours since we received word of his passing, I have heard of his devotion to youth sports, local events, and memories of his weekly Facebook posts about taking his mom grocery shopping at Wal-Mart.

Gary put into action the notion that you get back what you give in life and in business. Just yesterday the Chamber team was emailing with Gary to make sure the logo and photo they use for next week's virtual "Legends & Leaders Gala" showcasing Michelob Ultra Organic Seltzer was going to meet his expectations. After all, he made a handsome contribution in support of the Redding Chamber to have it be the official beverage of the event. Gary, a past president of the Rotary Club of Redding, has been a significant ally and advocate of the Chamber and the north state business community for decades. He exemplified Rotary's motto of "service above self".

I would like to take a moment to let his family know that they are in my thoughts and prayers. I pray for your peace and comfort. Please know that there is an immense community of support surrounding you at this time of grief.

As I once heard at the memorial service of another community champion, "a giant tree has fallen and the forest will never be the same". Gary Burks, this Bud's for you. You will be sorely missed.



# Jenn Finnegan honors Gary Burks with this song. Click on the picture to hear the song.

## **Returning to In Person Meetings**

Hello all. With the recent positive news related to Covid-19 and the county's improved tier level, Jake had good news for the club today. Starting next week (3/18), Redding Rotary will allow teams to alternate hosting their assigned club meeting at the Gifford Pavilion at Turtle Bay.

What does this mean? Every team will host on their assigned date. Team members will be able to attend in person at the pavilion if they desire, while the meeting will be broadcast via Zoom to the rest of the club. Catering will be provided by Mosaic with two lunch options available. Tables will be spaced to allow distancing, and attendees will be asked to observe restaurant masking guidelines.

#### Meeting date and teams able to participate for the rest of the year.

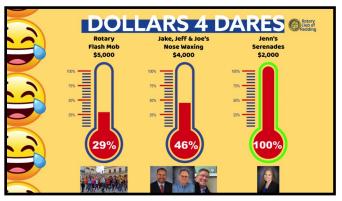
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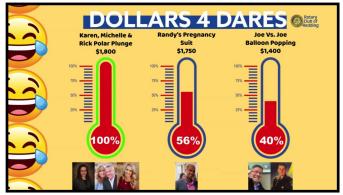
Your team captains will contact you prior to your team's week to go over assignments and take RSVPs. Please contact them with your meal request and any other questions.



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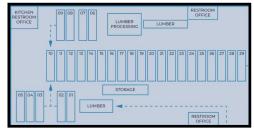
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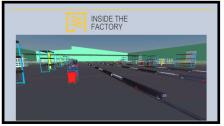
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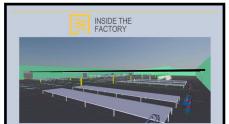
The company has four major values, innovation, people, honor and growth. Audra Montoya said "Working here has produced tremendous confidence in what I'm capable of while also stretching me far beyond what I thought were my limits; I imagine this will only increase as the company grows. This is what US Offsite is all about.

Why use US Offsite? The main features of the company are merging technology with construction, higher quality control, lower costs, quicker to the market and empowering culture. The plant is under construction as of this date. It is located in Anderson, California. This is the perfect location, a center point between Seattle and Los Angeles. There is easy access to I-5 for both employees and delivery of the product. The head quarters will be 220,000 square feet.

California alone will need to build 3.5 million units by 2025 to close the housing gap. Population growth over the next 30 years is estimated at 30 million. A schematic of the factory is below.







#### **US Offsite Continued**

Bryan shared a number of slides detailing their mission and how the company will function. He stressed the caring for his employees. The goal is the finest quality product possible. Finally delivery on time and construction finished within the time stated. Several slides are featured below.



March and April's Calendar 2021	
March 18th	: Maas Energy
March 25th	Mental Health During Times of Crisis
April 1st	TBA Team One at the Turtle Bay Pavillion (Reserve Your Lunch)
April 8th	TBA Team Two at the Turtle Bay Pavillion (Reserve Your Lunch)



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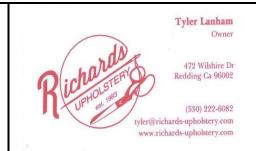
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