

"Walk Out": True Tale of Henry C. Woodrum's Escape From Nazis in WWII Speaker: Mike Woodrum

Rotary Year 2024-2025, 43rd Meeting, 1st Year, 2nd Century

President, Rick Fauss, kicked off the meeting stating that there would be no recognitions today due to time constraints. Everybody relaxed and removed their hands that were covering their wallets.

There were also only a limited set of announcements as **President Rick** was excited to move on to recognizing some wonderful teachers, some Paul Harris Fellows, and our very interesting program!

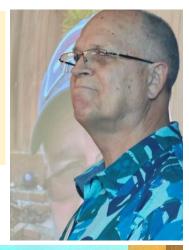
Thank You Team 8 - Jenn Finnegan & Gary Parkinson

AV President's Fundraiser Pledge Invocation Welcome Guests Greeters

Photographer Sergeant-At-Arms Prize Donation Laurie Baker Jerry Kelly Bob Allen Mark Rincon Jenn Finnegan Stephanie Bridgett, Karen Karnatz, Gary Parkinson, Ben Sprague Laurie Baker Jenn Finnegan Gary Parkinson

Mark Rincon shared blessings for Susie Michiels as Tiger's Celebration of Life Approached...and he also shared some of George Wente's (Norm Peterson) "Normisms" in recognition of his passing:

What's shaking, Norm? All four cheeks and a couple of chins! Hey what's happening, Norm? Ah, it's a doggie, dog world and I'm wearing Milk Bone Underwear







PP Jenn Finnegan introduced our guests. There were no visiting Rotarians. Rotarians who brought guests included **Gary Parkinson**, **Norm Hall**, **President Rick Fauss**, **PP Ed Rullman**, and **Andy McCurdy**.

Announcements

President Rick shared that next week's meeting, May 29, will be Off-Site. We will be hosted by **Andree Blanchier**, at the downtown location of Shasta College. This remote meeting was organized by **Trisha Funk**. Thank you, **Andree** and **Trisha**!

Paul Harris Fellow Awards



Jeanne Jelke and **PP Kathy Anderson** shared information about our awardees' accomplishments and presented the recipients with their Paul Harris Fellowship honors. The recipients included:

New Paul Harris Fellows: Andy McCurdy and Norm Hall

Paul Harris Plus 1: Kristi Davis, Bob Mauer, Leslie Williem, and Mary Brace Paul Harris Plus 2: Eva Jimenez and Steve Williams

Paul Harris Plus 5: Trudy Tavares



Blue Collar Scholar

Ryan Burks awarded our *Blue Collar Scholar scholarship* to a Nursing Student **(Lilah)** who is attended Shasta College. She plans to go on to a four-year school (Chico State) to continue her education in advanced nursing. She happens to be a recipient that knew **Gary Burks** and his family.



Jeanne Jelke "fined" herself \$50 for omitting **Mary Brace** in the Paul Harris recognitions. Thank you, **Jeanne**! After all, **Mary** had worn a dress to celebrate the occasion!

Teachers of the Year

Carlene Fish and **Ben Sprague** jumped in to help make these presentations in **Steve Clark's** absence!

Ms. Jessica Ditsler is a first-grade teacher at Turtle Bay School. She has been a teacher for over 19 years!

Ms. Renee Sumption is our other awardee, from Grant School! She has been an educator for more than 3 decades!

It is wonderful to hear about the dedication and positive influence these fine teachers have in grooming our youth for productive and happy adulthoods!

Congratulations to our honorees!



Program



PP Ed Rullman introduced our speaker, his long-time friend, **Mike Woodrum**. Many of you know **Mike** as the bartender at Jack's Steak House. He always remembered your face and your cocktail of choice!

He comes today to tell a compelling story of great interest and how many people came together to save his dad, in WWII. His dad, **Henry C. Woodrum**, not only lived thru the war, but he also went on to do great things in our community.





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	Rotary Calendar	ROTARY
29-May	"Let's Get Physical" at Shasta College Downtown	THE FOUR-WAY TEST of the things we think, say or do first <u>Bit the TRUTH?</u> second <u>Bit FAIR to all concerned?</u> third Will it build GOODWILL and BETER FRIENDSHIPS? fourth Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?
5-Jun	Where Do We Go From Here -City of Redding Update	
12-Jun	Club Assembly	
19-Jun	Beneficial Insectary "Benefits of Good Bugs"	
26-Jun	Demotion	

Here are links to the Program:

Link to Program Audio:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YTnvUMXJSjoqnCYvkZLqEd705mc9EZoD/view?usp=sharing

Link to Program Slides:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/11iElUr9JdwSwnOXcTOz-9FN9M2ox89JJ/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=103710665847894715894&rtpof=true&sd=true

Link to the 4 Way Test Song – President Rick:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nYfpEjqog4gxAen9qZj6Ya sdxgmXyA3z/view?usp=sharing

Link to the 4 Way Test Song – Steve Clark:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EEvpaPKU8nENycNhhwglK kc33v_n_ba-/view?usp=sharing Remember, the May 29th meeting is downtown at Shasta College!

Prizes:

We had four (4) prizes:

Appleton Estates Jamaican Rum donated **by Todd and Kristi Davis** and J**oanna Dean** and her husband – purchased this on a Caribbean Trip. Winner: **Mark Rincon**

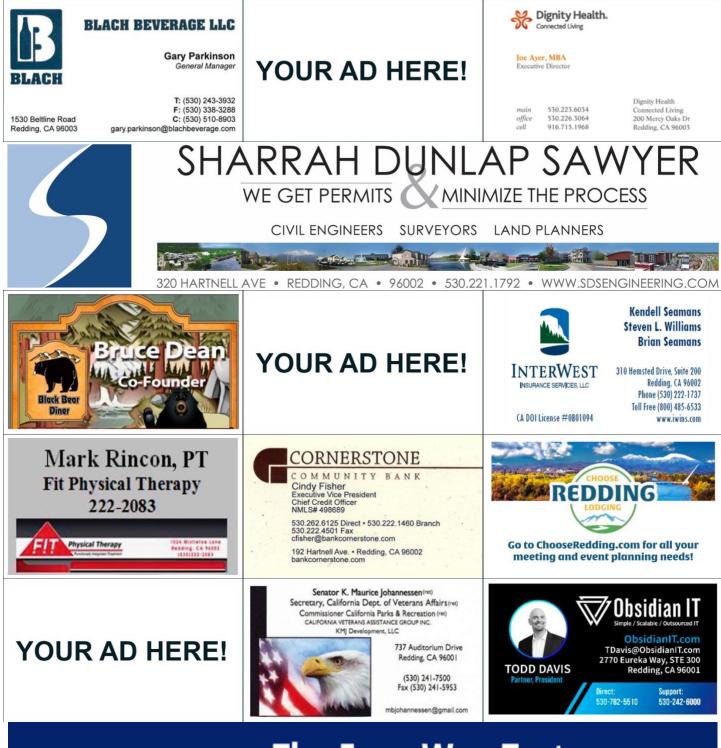
Lavender Essence donated by Gary Parkinson. Winner: Wendy Dickens

Two Sets of Four (4) Tickets for the Colt 45s donated by **PP Ed Rullman**:

Winners: **Dan Ghidinelli** – 1 set, and one of guests, won the second set

In the tile game, Mike Warren pulled the letter "A". That was worth \$40!

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The Four-Way Test



of what we think, say or do

- 1. Is it the truth?
- 2. Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
- 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?







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