

the **SPILLWAY** express

Rotary Club
of Redding



April 17, 2025

Rick Fauss
Club President

Dan Gerald
District Governor

Building Bridges - United Way

Serving At Today's Meeting

AV
President's Fundraiser
Pledge
Invocation
Welcome Guests
Greeters

Sergeant-At-Arms
Prize Donation

Laurie Baker
Tim Thomas, Ian Stripling
Ken Wood
Joe Wyse
PP Ed Rullman
Steve Clark, PP Ed Rullman, Dave Rickert,
Shauna Bambino
Ken Wood
Tim Thomas, Ed Rullman

On the Mic Today



Pres. Rick
running the show



Joe Wyse
with the invocation



Steve Clark
introducing team 3



PP Ed Rullman
welcoming our guests

Calendar

April 24	Scholarships
May 1	From Redding to Lyon: My Journey to the Culinary Olympics
May 8	Scholar Athletes
May 15	Sentinels of Freedom

Announcements

Phil McCarthy reminded us of this year's Keyway Bowl-A-Thon, which will be held on May 3rd. Team sign-ups, lane sponsorships, and raffle prizes are needed. Please see the flyer in this issue of the Spillway Express.

Dar Barzin announced our upcoming Blood Drive on May 8th. He asked all members to arrive early and donate. The club will cover the lunch of any guests who donate.

Jack Kimple announced that the Christmas Bell Ringer Committee is looking for a new leader. If you're willing, please contact **Jack**.

President Rick thanked all those who participated in the recent Fireside Chat. Here are some photos! Extra kudos to **Jason Salter** for hosting.



Recognitions

Tim Thomas was our solo recognition for the day. He and his wife recently welcomed a new puppy to the Thomas household and a recent trip to Hawaii was also recognized. \$100 for the puppy and \$100 for the trip. Thanks, **Tim!**



Today's Program: Building Bridges - United Way



Jerrold Vanlandingham presented a former member of our Club, **Kristen Gray**, who introduced our speakers, another former Club member, **Larry Olmsted**, and United Way of Northern California, **Kalie Brisbon**.

Larry and **Kalie** spoke about a new initiative launched by the United Way titled “Building Bridges”. At the heart of the initiative is the goal to “lower the temperature” of civic discourse that has grown divisive in current times. The Building Bridges program is designed to refocus the conversation on issues that resonate with Shasta County residents, including public health,

addressing homelessness, and combating the opioid crisis. Through listening sessions, learning lounges, and the appointment of Building Bridges Ambassadors, United Way is mobilizing grassroots conversations to drive solutions on key issues.

Larry and **Kalie** encouraged everyone to join these sessions, which involve workshops focusing on emotional regulation, overcoming exclusion, and encouraging respectful debate.

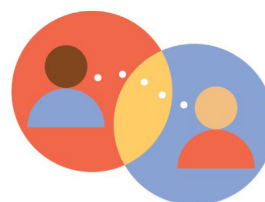
The initiative also leverages partnerships with notable organizations such as the California Endowment, Powell Foundation, Ford Family Foundation, and PG&E Foundation, as well as collaboration with the Harwood Institute for Civic Innovation. These partnerships are set to enrich the community’s capacity to find common ground and sustain productive dialogue. One upcoming event, scheduled for June 3, aims to gather 25 to 30 local leaders to learn strategies for uniting diverse groups, highlighting the commitment of both local and regional institutions.

WHAT IS BUILDING BRIDGES?

The goal of Building Bridges is simple: to make **civil**, **respectful**, and **inclusive** conversations **the standard** in our communities. We aim to inspire curiosity, find common ground, and promote thoughtful, respectful discussions on the issues that matter most.

We have the opportunity in the North State to choose to listen to each other, and create a space where people can disagree while still respecting one another as human beings.

Building Bridges is a **non-partisan effort** that offers meaningful opportunities for all caring citizens to get involved.



BUILDING BRIDGES
Dialogue Over Division



Potential Fundraiser - Mud Run

President Rick presented the following information as we consider our future fundraising options.



Year	Registered Participants	Volunteers	Net Income
2023	1177	175	\$51,014
2022	1161	120	\$34,536
2019	1446	150	\$46,582
2018	1419	125	\$40,223
2017	1562	125	\$49,828
2016	1143	85	\$36,141





Rotary Keyway Bowl-a-Thon

When: Saturday May 3, 2025 6-9pm

Where: Country Bowl at 2615 Bechelli Ln, Redding, CA 96002

Theme: Neon/Glow-in-the-Dark

Schedule: 6:00-6:30 Check in
6:30-8:30 Bowling
8:30-9pm Awards

Sponsor:	Lane Sponsors	\$200
	Team of 4 Sponsors	\$200
	Sponsor both	\$350
	Raffle prizes	


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of what we think, say or do

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3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



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