

# North Stockton Rotary



**Karen Rea**  
NSR 20-21 President

Virtual Meeting 05/04/21

President Karen began the meeting at 12:04pm. She lead the pledge, 4-way test and gave a thought for the day. It is Mental Health Month. In that spirit, we are a small but strong club, held down by last years Covid restrictions, but we still achieved great success in our community service projects, scholarships and fundraisers. We were a united front! We should applaud ourselves! Let's also have our teachers stand, retired or not and let's recognize or members spouses who also teach!! Congratulation to all, and thank you.



Incoming Evan Stone

Please be reminded that you still have time to donate to the ALZ Walk. Here's the link: [https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2021/CA-NorthernCaliforniaandNorthernNevada?fr\\_id=14331&pg=entry](https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2021/CA-NorthernCaliforniaandNorthernNevada?fr_id=14331&pg=entry)

Wayne reported we have 8 scholarship winners! All have been contacted and we will present them at our new site at a later date. Karen reported that our NAACP scholarships have been resubmitted because e our recipient had moved!

At May 18ths board meeting, the new site discussion will take place. I wish Risso's, Murphy's, Otto's or The Reef were still with us!!!! Hey, what's Garlic Bros. doing Tuesday afternoons???

May 29th will be the graduation of the Discovery Challenge Academy. It will be virtual. The two scholarships we give them will be presented at this time. To watch the virtual ceremony, get the link from Wayne Hose. [waynehose@comcast.net](mailto:waynehose@comcast.net).



**DRIVE-UP / DROP OFF**

**FEMININE HYGIENE & DIAPER DONATION DRIVE**

Collecting New & Unwrapped Feminine Hygiene Products & Diapers (Newborn – Toddler)

**FRIDAY, MAY 7<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**LINCOLN CENTER STOCKTON**

(Benjamin Holt Drive, Parking lot in front of 85C Bakery...Look for the Pink Balloons)  
Please stay in your car and wear your mask when dropping off items to donate.

See the poster to the left, May 7th!!!

Kendra reported that 48 members haven't responded to their Book, Bands and BBQ invitations yet. You need to let her know if you're attending or just picking up your dinners. Please look at the flyer on page two. Turn on the camera on you phone and hold it over the black and white coded picture. On your phone a link will appear. Press it and you can purchase your tickets!!! You can do it! Also you can contact Kendra directly at [Kclark@kelstrategies.com](mailto:Kclark@kelstrategies.com).

This Donation Drive Will Support the Following:







Here's what the fundraiser is all about: [Saturday, June 26, 2021](#) join us for the 3rd Annual "Books, Bands and BBQ" fundraising event featuring two wonderful local bands "Blues O'Saurus" and The "Mike Torres Band" and delicious BBQ by Chef Paul Ratto at Heritage Provisions & Dining (Waterloo Gun & Bocce Club). We will also be "Kicking Out" our current North Stockton Rotary President Karen Rea Williams and welcoming in 2021-2022 North Stockton Rotary President Evan Stone.

**HOSTED BY:**



Contact Lorie Liddicoat for further information: 209.915.9913

## 2020-2021 CLUB OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

<b>President:</b>	Karen Rea	<b>Scholarship:</b>	Wayne Hose	<b>Fundraising:</b>	Lorie Liddicoat	<b>UOP Rotaract:</b>	Jim Dugoni
<b>President Elect :</b>	Evan Stone	<b>Sunshine Committee:</b>	Tod Anton	<b>Fellowship/Socials:</b>	Tiffany Manning	<b>Camp Ryla:</b>	Ray Call
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<b>Secretary:</b>	Sami Khoury	<b>Lincoln Interact:</b>	Ray Call	<b>NSR Facebook:</b>	Lorie Liddicoat	<b>Dir. At Large:</b>	Mansoor Soleimani
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Angel Maldonado	<b>Stagg Interact:</b>	Justin Redman	<b>NSR Website:</b>	Lorie Liddicoat	<b>Dir. At Large:</b>	Jill Faso Antonini
<b>C.O.G.s:</b>	Evan Stone	<b>Speakers / Programs:</b>	Evan Stone	<b>Public Relations:</b>	Lorie Liddicoat	<b>Wheelbarrow:</b>	Chris Hunefeld
<b>RI Foundation:</b>	Judy Lovett	<b>Membership :</b>	Wayne Hose	<b>NSR Endowment:</b>	Bill McDonald	<b>NSR Facebook:</b>	Chris Hunefeld
<b>Community Service:</b>	Justin Redman	<b>Speech Contest:</b>	Ray Call	<b>Seeds of Hope:</b>	Paul Hansen		





## Upcoming Speakers

05/11/21	Tony Yaden	Parents By Choice	RingCentral/Great Call
05/18/21	Leonard Hansen	CEO Emergency Food Bank	RingCentral/Great Call
05/25/21	Carlos DeJesus	Vocational New Member talk	RingCentral/Great Call

**Books, Bands and BBQ**

Promoting Literacy & Raising Money for Our Local Community & Beyond

**SATURDAY 5:00PM - 10:00PM**  
**JUNE 26, 2021**  
 Location: 4343 N. Ashley Lane, Stockton, CA.

**HERITAGE**  
 dining & provisions

- SILENT AUCTION • NO HOST BAR •
- DRIVE-IN PICK UP OR OUTDOOR DINE-IN FAMILY (POD) TABLES OF SIX (6)

BRING A NEW PRE K - 4TH GRADE READING LEVEL BOOK TO DONATE!

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**  
 Ribs, Pesto & More or GO BIG with a Tomahawk Steak.  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/books-bands-bbq-tickets-152401528073>

**Featuring Local Favorite Bands:**

**MIKE TORRES BAND**

**BLUES O'SAURUS**

North Stockton Rotary Endowment 501 (C) 3 tax id: 68-022403  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 209.915.9913 | THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING SPONSORS:

The event will be a little different this year as we are taking into consideration the safety and comfort level of our community supporters. We will have outdoor seating with tables of six with some great local entertainment as well as a drive-thru pick up option so folks can enjoy their delicious BBQ dinners at home. Either way we hope that you can join us in supporting nonprofits in our community and beyond. We ask that all attendees wear their masks unless sitting at their tables or seats per county guidelines.

Attendees are encouraged to bring new or gently used children's books (Preschool – 4th Grade level) and will receive a raffle ticket for a great door prize. North Stockton Rotary appreciates your efforts to collaborate with us in providing support to Stockton schools in need of enhancing or establishing their libraries. All funds raised from this event will be used on projects within our community and beyond.

No at door ticket sales. Ticket sales are final, and no refunds will be given.

Thank you to our wonderful sponsors: Port of Stockton, Partners Commercial Real Estate, F&M Bank, Verve Networks & CI & SC (Karen Rea Williams)

If you have any questions please contact Lorie

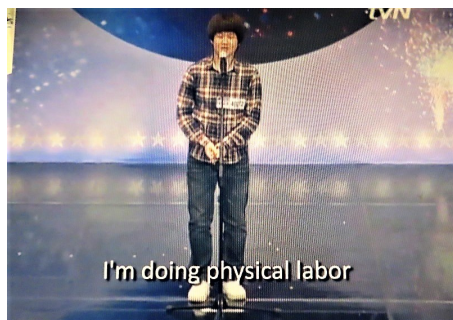
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Liddicoat 209.915.9913, Ray Call 209.986.3291 or Kendra Clark 209.639.1825  
 Purchase Tickets Here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/books-bands-bbq-tickets-152401528073>



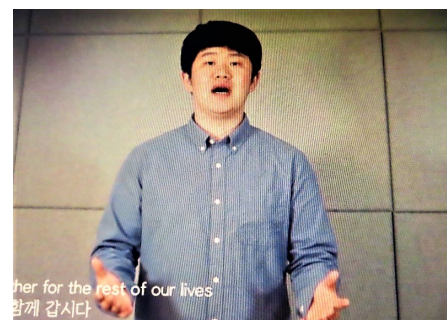




**Sung Bong Choi on Korea's Got Talent**

Korea's Got Talent, season 1, second place finisher, street boy Sung Bong Choi, an orphaned gum seller...

On the show during his performance he's asked, "What do you do for a living. He said, "I'm doing physical labor." He has no family, being orphaned at 3 years old. He escaped from the orphanage when he was 5, after being severely beaten. All he knew was he must eat and sleep to survive. He would squeeze in anywhere if it was dark, and would be cramped and hidden, just like



**Sung Bong Choi speaking at PETS.**

a cockroach. The places he slept in were just stairs or public toilets, and empty buildings. For ten years he lived like a Mayfly. The reason he started to sing, so many things happened to him when he was young. He was trafficked from place to place and escaped from mobs. I would sell gum on the streets, occasionally I would hear exciting music in the night clubs. Then one day I saw someone singing earnestly and I was fascinated by that. From then on, after living 20 years in the dark, I could escape from it, because there is a song. Now from the street kid to the boy singing hope... Sung Bong Choi, singing hope on the edge of despair.

He addressed the Far West Pets conference, and here is what he said:

Many of you know me as the singer who went from homeless street kid to an icon of hope. I am very honored to be invited to address the incoming Rotary Club Presidents at Far West PETS. I have a deep appreciation to those who have journeyed with me all these years and who did not give up on me, despite my shortcomings and even if, at times, I have let them down. I am thankful that many look on me as an icon of hope. I hope that by sharing with you my humble story and lessons learned you will be inspired to help the young people in your communities, particularly the marginalized, the deprived and the underprivileged. Indeed, I am honored and at the same time humbled, to be associated with Rotary whose mission is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders. Thank you, incoming Rotary Club presidents, for offering your time and service to your communities. It's a huge task to continue to serve, and you may be willing to give up, I hope you will be able to see that the reward comes from when the lives of those you serve, change for the better, which is Rotary's theme for 2021-2022: Serve to Change Lives.

Sungbong has cancer and is dealing with the disease and financial strain. He is asking for help. You can make a donation through his PayPal account at: [sungbongchoiofficial@gmail.com](mailto:sungbongchoiofficial@gmail.com) or his GoFundMe on his Facebook page.

Here is his second release, "I Pray", don't forget to turn off the mute button! <https://www.facebook.com/100050589574871/videos/995707427177702>

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See you next week!

