

North Stockton Rotary



Evan Stone
NSR 21-22 President



Uncle Bill McDonald

08/10/21 - On arriving and approaching the gate, there was **Bill McDonald** sitting in one of his living room chairs, letting everyone in. We will always have someone at the gate from 11:45 to 12:15 to let you in. Our NSR meeting at the Village West Yacht Club, began at 12:33pm, after we had a feast of Chinese food, while looking at the beautiful delta and Mt Diablo. We were on the deck and the weather was



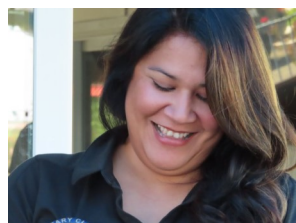
Chinese food for lunch!

perfect. We had 20 members at the meeting.



President Evan Stone

President Evan had **Lorie Liddicoat** lead the pledge, recite the 3, or was it 4-way test and give the thought of the day. She said, "Happiness is found with the things that make you happy", and quoted Cliff Doctorman who said, "Kindness, decency and giving are not inborn, they are things you learn".



Lorie Liddicoat's thought



Martin Ross, go USA!

We had no visitors. President Evan brought out the **Sunshine Bucket** and began with **Martin Ross**. Martin had been following the Olympics and with great relief noted that the USA had won with the most total medals, 60% of which were won by women. **Kathryn Nance** stood and told us her youngest son just had his 26th birthday. When she asked what he'd like to do for his birthday, he told her that maybe they could do something later! OK then... Our newest member **Paul Bagan** said he just turned 21, uh, what? Also he just joined the management team with the Stockton Heat!

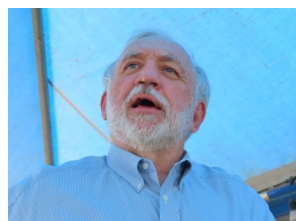


Paul Bagan's got the Heat



Tod Anton takes flight

Lorie Liddicoat celebrated that her children are finally back in school. Halleluia! **Tod Anton** said he and his wife Bobbie, who have traveled extensively, took their first flight in 19 months. They went down south to the Del Mar Horse racetrack, where one of Tod's first jobs was taking care of 4 horses, he even named them, but I can't write that fast. **Andy Chesley** has been a Big Brother mentor to kids in the past, and rendezvoused with a former 12 year old he mentored, who is now 43 years old! They got reacquainted over breakfast. Nice Andy. **Wayne Hose** just attended his 50 year Reunion for Stagg's Class of 1971. Yikes!



Big Brother Andy

NSR Calendar:

August 17th: Steve Mayo, Manager San Joaquin habitat Conservation Program. Unique effort in the country to balance the needs of development with the protection of habitat for threatened and endangered species.
August 24th: Mike Millerick on the development of StocktonCom and the upcoming event at Stockton Arena on September 11 and 12.

2021-2022 CLUB OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

President:	Evan Stone	Scholarship:	Wayne Hose	Fundraising:	Kendra Clark	UOP Rotaract:	Jim Dugoni
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RI Foundation:	Ray Call	Membership:	Wayne Hose	NSR Endowment:	Bill McDonald	NSR Facebook:	Chris Hunefeld
Community Service:	Lorie Liddicoat	Speech Contest:	Ray Call	Seeds of Hope:	Paul Hansen		



Upcoming Speakers

08/17/21	Steve Mayo	Balancing development to protect Habitat	Village West Yacht Club
08/24/21	Mike Millerick	Development of Stockton Comicon	Village West Yacht Club
08/31/21	Mark Ornellas	Constitutional Law	Village West Yacht Club

Evan urged our members to sign up for the district conference. Click here to see: [District Conference | Rotary District 5220 \(rotary5220.org\)](https://www.rotary5220.org)

District Governor Tim Madden will visit us September 21. Also the Foundation Dinner will be October 30 in Modesto.

We still have the position of secretary open. Please let Evan know you want to be secretary, you won't believe the perks!

Membership Committee: Wayne reported we inducted **Paul Bagan** last week and this week **Tony Yadon** is adding up his visits! Shannon McArthur, (no relation), and Kelly Dextrose are also interested.



Aspire's Tony Yadon



Our newest members need to let Wayne know what their designation should be on their NSR badges. Here are some examples: Tod Anton, Education-Public Schools. Richard Carr, Contracting-Electrical, Diane Correia, Real Estate-Commercial, Andy Chesley, Government-Transportation Management. Wayne Hose, Government-Police Department, Steve Groom, Accounting-Tax Consulting. Please let Wayne know. waynehose@comcast.net or 209 639-9201.



If you don't hear from Wayne, don't worry, he'll be back in 12 days. He's on a Seine River cruise viewing, Paris and Normandy Beach. Sounds like a bell ringer to me!

Community Service: Chair Lorie reported that Grant Application forms are available on our webpage. [North Stockton Rotary 2021 2022 Grant Application.pdf - Google Drive](#) We have \$22,400.00 in Community Service grants for non-profits. Deadline to apply is October 31st.



Past COG Meister Andy

Speaker chair and President elect Andy Chesley introduced our speaker Kimberly Gayle, Deputy CEO for the San Joaquin Regional Transit District.

Ms. Gayle was appointed RTD's Deputy CEO in January 2020. Prior to this position, she served as RTD's Chief of Legislative Affairs and Grants since 2019. Prior to joining RTD, she had an extensive career as a public official at the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). After working in Sacramento and



Kimberly Gayle, Deputy CEO

Washington, DC for 37 years, she has returned to her **hometown of Stockton** to help support the transit system she once used as a teenager to get to the mall, the park, or to school.



The Wheelbarrow



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Kimberly is well-known as a seasoned professional in the transit industry. She has garnered the respect of her colleagues throughout her career and through participation on national committees such as the American Public Transit Association, the Community Transportation Association of America, and the Transportation Research Board.

In 2009, the American Association for State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) honored her as the national chair of the Multi-State Technical Assistance Program. From 2012-2017, Ms. Gayle received various awards from the U.S. Secretary of Transportation for her leadership in the federal transit re-authorizations and on the 2016 Presidential Transition Team; she has also received various awards from Caltrans and FTA.

Ms. Gayle has also been featured in publications from AASHTO, the California Association for Coordinated Transportation, the California Transit Association, the US Department of Transportation, FTA, and Caltrans. Kimberly holds a Certificate in Management from CSU, Sacramento; Transit and Paratransit Management Certificate from UOP; and an AA in Business from **San Joaquin Delta College**.



When Covid hit, Transit was deemed an essential service. They had to keep things running. Keeping the staff on the front lines safe was a priority. All unknown at the time, restructuring had to be created and accomplished for 170 vehicles, 200 total staff and the public customers. While the ACE Trains ridership went down to 1%, RTD maintained 40%! She used all of her 30+ years of Transit experience to bring the department together. To restructure protocols, routes and services to meet the needs of the RTD District, which is all of San Joaquin County.

So with children coming back to school, bus agreements with SUSD need to be worked out. With 90% of the students returning, the logistics and funding need to be secured to continue.

Being a former Washington DC employee she realizes how the system works there, in Sacramento and locally. So she advocates for our County Highway Transit and Railroad. Bringing them all together makes for a stronger voice when advocating to the government. This has provided more funds, and she credits the dedicated officials who care and want to provide services.

RTD is also considered a Safe Haven for all at risk. Staff have been trained to recognize non traditional communicational pleas for help.

They're also looking forward infrastructure upgrades such as solar power.

Thank you for your service Kimberly!

President Evan rang the bell at 1:18pm.

