



The Wheelbarrow

The Bulletin of the North Stockton Rotary Club

Meeting Tuesday at noon at the Marina West Yacht Club

2023-2024



North Stockton Rotary



Evan Stone
February 2024's
NSR President



The Sleeping Lady, or Mt Diablo

02/27/24

Clear skies and a view of Mt Diablo greeted us as we sped around the marina. Andy had locked himself outside the gate, but we got him back inside. So confused! Inside was a warm buffet of Pulled pork, bean and bell pepper veggies and veggie fried rice.



Andy mentally opens the gate!

The bell rang at 12:35, and **Past President Evan Stone** began the meeting.



Not 2 or 1, it's 3 bean salad

Earle Ahrens led the flag salute, 4-way test and the thought for the day!

Earle reflected that February is Black History Month. In his 55+ years as a member of NSR, he can count the number of Black members on one hand. He's not blaming anyone, it's nobody's fault. It's just the way it is. A High School in Stockton is named for Ronald McNair, a Black astronaut killed in the Challenger explosion. In WWII Black soldiers fought, but were segregated. Now

some of the highest ranking Leaders, like the Secretary of Defense, are Black. But his favorite is Rosa Parks who wouldn't give up her seat on the bus. She was arrested, and he feels she is the real hero in the Black movement. She said, "Stand for something or you will fall for anything. Today's mighty oak is yesterday's nut that held it's ground." Thanks **Earle!**



Earle Ahrens

Presiding President Evan said, "This is the last meeting of February and his last meeting to lead. The only sunny Tuesday of the month. Let's sing You are my Sunshine." After the song he had everyone shake hands and say hello.



Frosty feeds the Sunshine bucket

Guests and Visitors:

Visiting us today were the Delta Shop Instructor **Ryan Gallant** and his scholarship student **Sabrina Kay**.



Ryan Gallant and Sabrina Kay

Sunshine Bucks:

Frosty's Julie fell and gouged her head. The Paramedics recommended SJ County Trauma for her. After 4 hrs., 5 staples and a CT scan, it was determined she could go home. She seems OK and they will get the staples out soon.

Sunshine continued

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03/05/24	Leadership Stockton	Tim Quinn with Leadership Stockton	Village West Yacht Club
03/12/24	David Yee	San Joaquin County Bird Migration	Village West Yacht Club
03/19/24	Club Assembly	Important Club Issues	Village West Yacht Club



Sunshine Bucks continued:

Bill McDonald had sad news that his brother passed away from cancer. The good news is his 101 year old Mom is doing great. And tomorrow they're flying to Boston to see the grandkids!

Chris Hunefeld: got up and said last Saturday night was a surprise reunion of his previous band, and BB& BBQ winner, 'The Clamtones,' played for a friends 70th birthday celebration. Stockton's musicians from the 60's on up were there. What a reunion!

Lauren Dietrich: Announced her new baby is doing great! Jackson is playing travel baseball and daughter Madison made the Honor Choir! She's also trying Water Polo. Wonder why?

The **Rotary Read In** will be February 29th. Go spread the Rotary word!



Monte & Chris rattling those pots and pans!



Bill McDonald with clouds & sunshine

Upcoming Speakers & Events:

02/29/24 33rd Annual Rotary Read In

Andy Chesley takes over as President for March.

03/05/24 Leadership Stockton takes over North Stockton Rotary. **Tim Quinn** will also be there.

03/12 /24 **David Yee**, San Joaquin Bird Migration.

03/19/24 **Club Assembly**

03/26/24 **Chris Elias** is the Executive Director for the San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency (SJAFCA)

Program:

Rotary District 5220 NSR Grants Review and Scholarship Presentations



Proud Mama Lauren!

President Evan started the program by reviewing the local and international projects that NSR contributes to.

We live by the motto of "Service Above Self." We have annual projects such as the Rotary Red In, the Speech Contest, Blanket Drive, Walk to End Alzheimer's, Christmas Party and Backpacks for the Homeless Shelter, as well as Our annual BB&BBQ fundraiser raising money for our projects and fighting Illiteracy in Stockton. We help with the RYLA Camp for young leaders at our schools in Stockton. 100 boys and 100 girls are challenged to think outside the box and create innovations, learn to compete and win and have fun while doing it.



Evan runs the Grants Program



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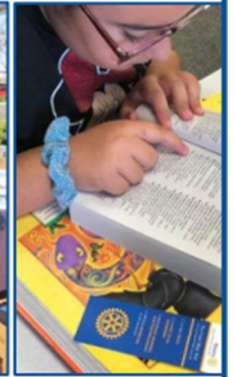
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SERVICE ABOVE SELF

- Rotary Read-In – NSR Rotarian (Led by Jim Dugoni)
- Area 2 speech contest participated with local high schools
- Community Blanket Drive partnership with SJCOE – dispersed to the SJCOE One. Program & Local nonprofits
- Raised over \$5,475.00 for Walk to End Alzheimer's (Led by Frosty Gelbke)
- NSR Rotarians donated 70 Backpacks, stuffed w/ blankets, stuffed animals & books along with a holiday party with pizza, desserts and activities – Stockton Family Shelter for the Homeless
- Annual Books, Bands & BBQ Fundraiser – Collected several hundred books to be distributed to local libraries
- RYLA Volunteers– Camp Counselors and Interview Participants



We also use DDF Funds come back to us to buy the Dictionaries we give every year to Stockton's third graders.



2022-2023 District Designated Funds

- 1,333 Third Grade Students Received a Dictionary = \$4,070.00 (\$2,035) matched with DDF)

TOTAL GIVING: \$4,070

Our NSR Endowment allows us to give 8 Scholarships. This includes vocational scholarships. 38k went out last year.

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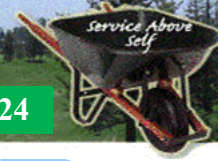
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2022-2023 Rotary Endowment Giving Grant Recipients & General Giving

- 400 Easter Baskets – Meals on Wheels
- Ben Holt Academy Volleyball Contribution for Equipment
- Discover Challenge Academy
- Leadership Stockton C.H.A.N.G.E.S. project
- U.C. Davis Cancer Pediatric – Super Fritz
- BUFA (Black Urban Farmers Association)
- Emergency Food Bank of SJC
- Haven of Peace
- Uplift All Foundation
- 30 Backpacks – Unbound Stockton Summer Camp
- Stockton Scholars –Scholarship
- NAACP High School Scholarship
- Stockton High School Scholarships x 8
- Discover Challenge Academy Scholarships x 4
- Delta College Scholarships x 4

TOTAL ENDOWMENT GIVING: \$38,093.00



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2022-2023 ROTARY FOUNDATION & GLOBAL PROJECTS

North Stockton Rotary in partnership with Rotary Club of Trans Amadi Facilitated a Grant and raised funds for a total of \$128,758.00 for a community in Nigeria

Rotary Club of North Stockton

GLOBAL CLEAN WATER PROJECTS

NORTH STOCKTON ROTARY GLOBAL IMPACT:

CLEAN WATER PROJECT

The Need:

The Degema community located in Rivers state, Nigeria, is home to over 100,000 residents with 80% living below the poverty line. The Degema residents have challenges with access to potable water, sanitation, and hygiene. All residents use the nearby river for all household needs including bathing, drinking, and defecating. The lack of potable water is leading to miscarriages, birth defects, and infantile deaths as the community is ranked number two in mortality rates and morbidity of infants and children under five years old in the River State.

North Stockton Rotary and Rotary Club of Trans Amadi initiated a grant in 2020 to help solve the problem. The initial grant was too large, so it was broken into two parts. Phase one was designated to provide each of five settlements with one borehole attached to a four-room block of toilets (two per sex). Phase one plan has been completed. We are now working on Phase two, which is to provide five more settlements with the same sanitation facilities.

On June 26, 2023 North Stockton Rotary and Rotary Club of Trans Amadi were awarded \$88,758 to complete Phase Two of this project with \$14,000 being granted from Applegate Endowed Fund and an additional \$40,000 of contributions from a collaboration with other clubs for a total of \$128,758.00

Thank you to North Stockton Rotary Global Project Chair Raymond Call for leading this effort!



MAKING A DIFFERENCE AROUND THE WORLD

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One of our global projects is a Clean Water for a Nigerian village. It's a 2 phase project. They built rest rooms to keep the waste out of the water, and drilled 8-10 wells to provide fresh water. It's a 128k project, with a number of Clubs participating and completing this project.

That brings us to our Scholarship recipient **Sabrina Kay**. She's a veteran, using her GI benefits to attend Delta College and their vocational welding program. She joined the Army and became a mechanic. This required learning to weld. Her instructor **Ryan Gallant** is perfect for her. He gives the assignment and instruction and then gives the students the freedom to complete the assignment. **Ryan** said **Sabrina** checked all the boxes as an excellent, serious student and is at the top of the list. That's what employers want.

Ryan thanked us for our scholarships. His goal is to help the students become productive members of our community.

President Evan thanked our club for thinking outside of the box and giving our funds to vocational program. Vocational training is very sensible and can only help build a more successful community.

He had **Ryan** and **Sabrina** sign a children's book and rang the bell.



Lauren, Bill, Ryan & Sabrina

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