

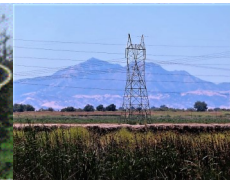


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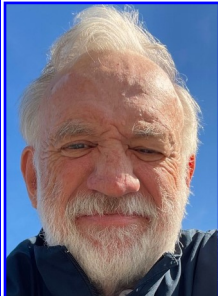
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Drove up the hill and turned left. There he was, **Ray Call**, key fob and open-says-a-me! Drove around the marina and found convenient front row parking to the Marina West Yacht Club.

For lunch we had grilled warm Greek pita bread and a few fixings. Grilled chicken, hummus and Greek Tzatziki sauce with a Greek salad including sliced tomatoes, cucumbers, onions and Kalamata olives, were all wrapped up and extremely delicious.

Andy Chesley
2024's March
NSR President

The bell rang at 12:34, and **Past President Andy Chesley** began the meeting. He called up **Richard Carr** to lead the flag salute, 4-way test and the thought for the day. His thought was: While contemplating a thought for the day, he received a call from a friend of his who's having health issues of varying degrees, and after Richard had experienced his own health challenges, they reflected on their shared experiences. His friend had always picked him when he needed it. Richard will hope and pray for him in his time of need. Rotary revolves around hope with all its projects making people's lives better. He was also grateful for our Club and hopes we have a blessed and happy year.



Never say nay Ray, at the gate!



Katharine Bates

Song for the Day: President Andy asked **Karen Rogers** to lead, "America the Beautiful," for song of the day but not until he reminded us that the song was written by Katharine Lee Bates, originally a poem inspired on a patriotic cross country journey that included the Chicago World Fair all the way to Pikes Peak, where the beauty inspired her to write the poem in 1893.



Richard's heartfelt inspiration

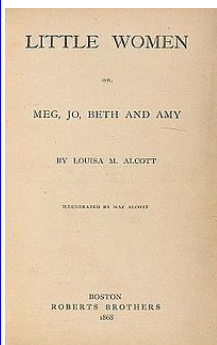
Guests and Visitors: We had no visitors or visiting Rotarians.



Sunshine Bucks:

Tamara Fooy: Tamara put \$9 in the sunshine bucket for her oldest grandchild's 9th birthday.

Karen Rogers: Stockton Civic Theater is putting on a 5 week Kids theater camp this summer. Learn how to build sets, run shows and try out for James and the Giant Peach! [See the SCT website for info.](#)



Women's Awareness Month:

President Andy saluted **Louisa May Alcott**; (November 29, 1832 – March 6, 1888). She was an American novelist, short story writer, and poet best known for writing the novel *Little Women* (1868) and its sequels *Little Men* (1871) and *Jo's Boys* (1886). Raised in New England by her transcendentalist parents, Abigail May and Amos Bronson Alcott, she grew up among many well-known intellectuals of the day, including Margaret Fuller, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Henry David Thoreau, and Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

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04/02/24	Dick McClure	Rock & Roll Historical Archives	Village West Yacht Club
04/09/24	Chris Pond	Athletic Trainer UOP, The Other Side of Sports	Village West Yacht Club
04/16/24	First totally AI Program	What I Learned on DacDB	Village West Yacht Club

Women's Awareness Month cont.:



Louisa May Alcott

Alcott's family suffered from financial difficulties, and while she worked to help support the family from an early age, she also sought an outlet in writing. She began to receive critical success for her writing in the 1860s. Early in her career, she sometimes used pen names such as **A. M. Barnard**, under which she wrote lurid short stories and sensation novels for adults that focused on passion and revenge.

Published in 1868, *Little Women* is set in the Alcott family home, Orchard House, in Concord, Massachusetts, and is loosely based on Alcott's childhood experiences with her three sisters, Abigail May Alcott Nieriker, Elizabeth Sewall Alcott, and Anna Alcott Pratt. The novel was well-received at the time and is still popular today among both children and adults. It has been adapted for stage plays, films, and television many times.

Alcott was an abolitionist and a feminist and remained unmarried throughout her life. She also spent her life active in reform movements such as temperance and women's suffrage. She died from a stroke in Boston on March 6, 1888, just two days after her father's death.

2024-2025 North Stockton Rotary Board

Andy then showed our upcoming Board of Directors. He said we have a good solid Board, missing two very important slots, President and incoming President. Our Board has many returning to positions they've held and they are getting burned out. Please volunteer for a chance of a lifetime being President and President Elect!

President	vacant	Community Service	Lorie Liddicoat	Michelle Haner	Shannon McGovern
President Elect	vacant	Secretary	Bill McDonald		
Past President	Andrew Chesley	Scholarships	Lauren Dietrich	At Large	Richard Carr
Treasurer	Jeff Groom	Membership	Tamara Fooy		Diane Corriea
Vocational	Evan Stone	Endowment President	Bill McDonald		
Club Service	Karen Rogers	Foundation and International	Ray Call		Pennie Faso

Upcoming Events:

April 1st: Our lunch rate will go up to **\$25** per lunch.

March 29th thru March 31st: Volunteers are needed for the [Wall That Heals](#) at Merced College. Click the link to sign up.

April 6th: West Lane Bowl Sunrise Rotary Fundraiser

NSR is forming a Committee to follow up on last weeks club assembly.

Upcoming Speakers:

April 2nd: Rock & Roll Retrospective with Dick McClure & Chris Hunefeld

April 9th: The Other Side of Sports by Chris Pond, Head Athletic Trainer UOP

April 16th: What I Learned on DacDB

April 23rd: Offsite: NSR 5PM Social at Woodbridge Crossing Hosted Cocktails/No Host Dinner



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Easter Baskets: March 20th at Meals on Wheels. Ray Call gave a shout out to everyone for the Easter Baskets. It was a complete success and great turn out! 350 Easter Bags were filled by 5:30PM. Special thanks to **Ray Call** for heading this up, **Joel Carignan** for bringing the SGSA Girls, (Aces) fast pitch softball Team, **Chris Hunefeld** for the apples and everyone who joined us in our Easter Tradition.



Ray announced that \$1200.00 we provided has been transferred to another program for equipment at a Red Cross hospital in Vera Cruz, Mexico.

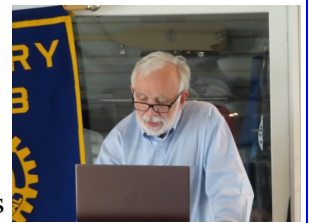
Ray also announced that **Shelly Moreria** will be heading up the Lincoln High interact Club replacing **Ray**. **Shelly** was the School Rep for the Club when she was at Lincoln. Perfect Fit!!

Program:



Chris Elias of the SJAFCO

President Andy then introduced our program. **Chris Elias** the Executive Director for the San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency (SJAFCO), who has presented to us before, had an update on 4 projects regarding our flood safety in San Joaquin County. Their main responsibility is to maintain and rebuild our levees protecting against floods and reducing the cost and need for residents to require flood insurance. The City and County got together 28 years ago and created the agency in response to FEEMA's demands. It is a small agency and only has 7 employees. They contract out for the flood work.



Andy running the board

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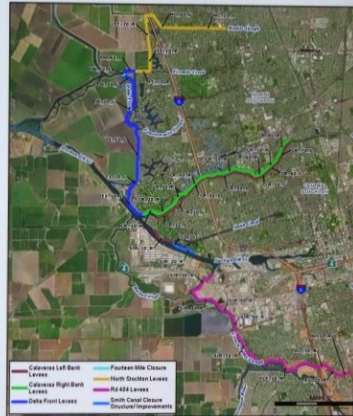


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Chris came to report to us about 4 Projects the agency is working on.

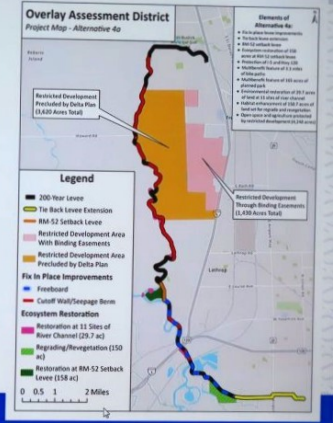
Lower San Joaquin River Project – Phase I

- \$1.4 billion project
- 23+ miles of levee improvements
- CVFPPB & SJAFCFA signed Design Agreement with USACE in April 2019
- PPA signed in September 2020
- Received \$152M in fed funding to date
- Property assessment for local cost share approved in June 2023
- First increment of construction underway (Tennile Slough)
- Second increment at 30% design



Lower San Joaquin River Project – Phase II

- Urban Flood Risk Reduction Feasibility Study completed 2021
- ~\$473M Mossdale Tract Urban Flood Risk Reduction Project
- CEQA ongoing
- Proposed assessment for local cost share May 2024
- USACE Feasibility Study In Progress To Evaluate Federal Interest
- Cost share agreement executed in September 2022
- ~\$1.88M in federal funding to date
- TSP Milestone Scheduled for Jan. 2025

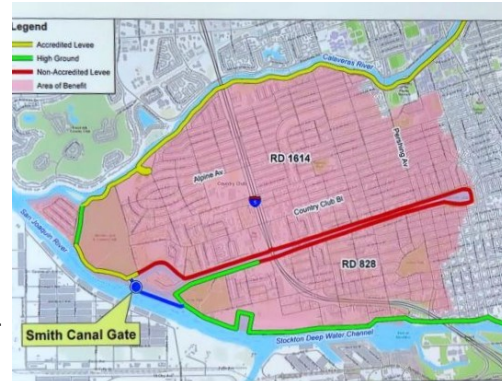
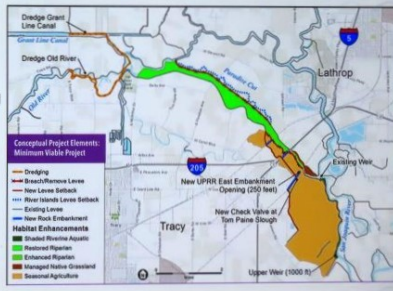


Project 1. The levees are subject to seepage. They will breakdown the levees and rebuild them. Project 2 is to reduce

flood risk with a goal of getting the feds interested and

Paradise Cut Expansion & Multi-Benefit Feasibility Study

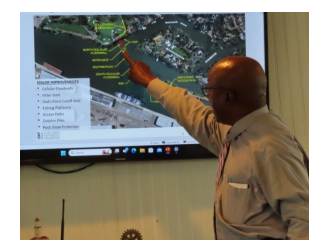
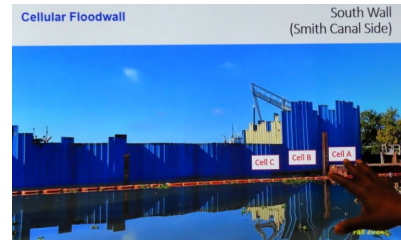
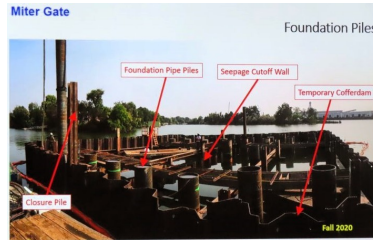
- ~\$171M Project
- Expand existing bypass to divert floodwaters
- Levee removal, setback, dredging
- Significant ecosystem enhancements
- Public/Private MOU signed 2022
- 16 partners
- DWR/SJAFCFA executed \$3M funding agreement in July 2023



Project Background

- Smith Canal is navigable and tidally influenced
- Smith Canal levees are heavily encroached by residential structures
- Project will prevent flooding from Delta during high water events and
- Project protects a large portion of Central Stockton

fund the project. Project 3, reroute rising water possibility into dry middle river bed into the Delta away from population areas. Project 4 is the Smith Canal Create Project. A very innovative endeavor to build a flood gate to prevent rising flood water into the canal and neighborhoods. This eliminates the neighborhoods requirement for flood insurance. The project has been completed and submitted to FEEMA. They are supposed to remove and reclassify the area in May of 2024. Here are construction maps and pictures of this incredible project.



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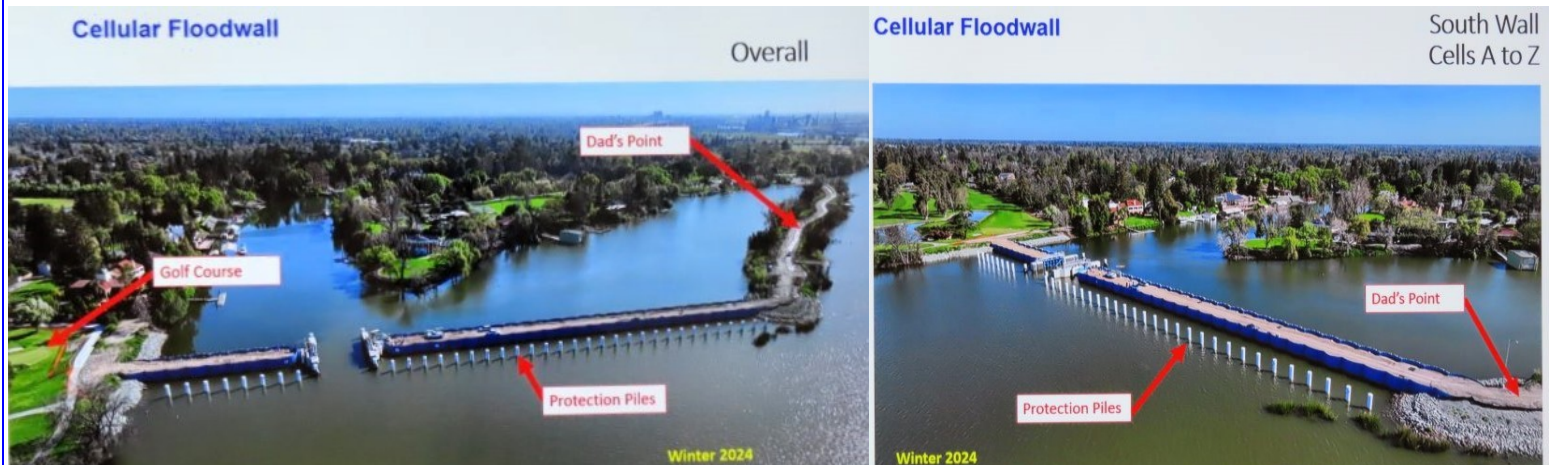
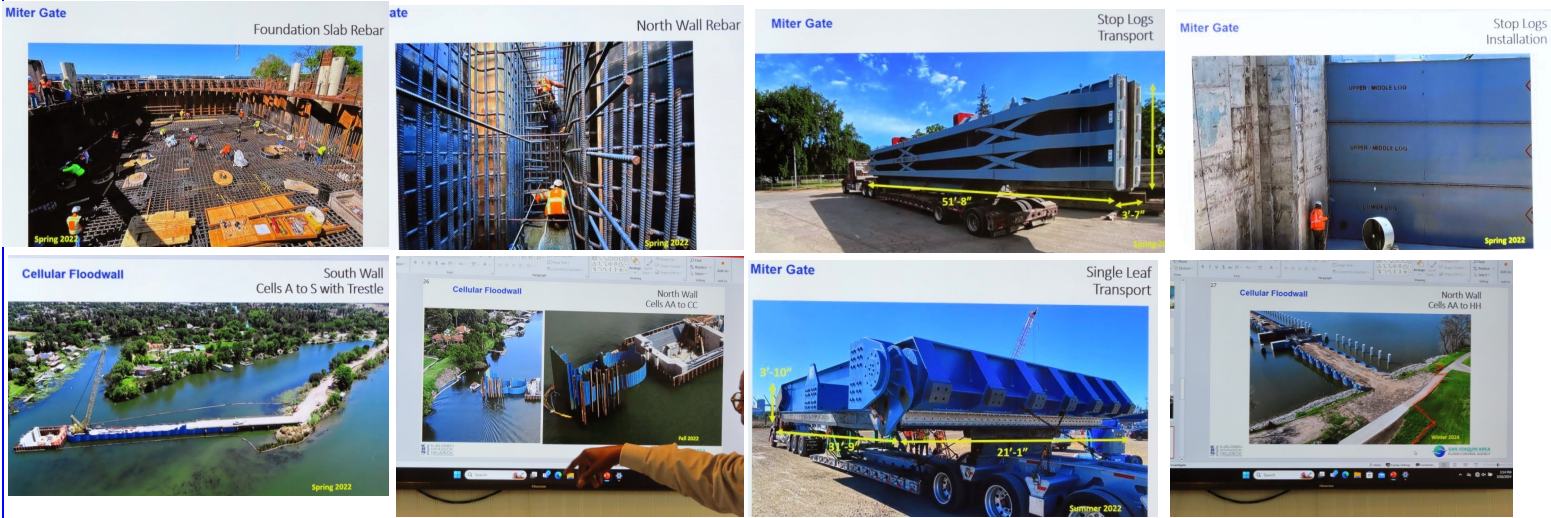
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Golf Course Remaining Work												
Dad's Point Electrical & Communications												
Dad's Point Pathway												
Dad's Point Landscape Features & Fencing												
Miter Gate Startup & Commissioning												
Project Closeout												
FEMA LOMR Preparation & Submittal												



The submittal date, the gate and a fishing pier, how cute!
Thanks to Chris Elias for an incredible job, and for coming today. The bell rang at 1:23PM.

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