



NORTH STOCKTON ROTARY CLUB

2025- 2026



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The Bulletin Of North Stockton Rotary Club



Evan Stone 2025-2026 NSR President



Excellent turnout for our meeting at the Hilton!



Balsamic delight. I'm speaking vegan!

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Welcome, Pledge, 4 Way Test & Thought for the Day

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President Evan rang the bell at 12:29 for our 4th meeting of the New Year. The meeting began after we devoured either the fresh vegan salad or the fish and chips platter. **Evan** called up **Frosty Gelbke** to lead the Pledge of Allegiance, the 4-Way Test and give a thought for the day. **Frosty's** thought reflected the power of positive thought. He said, "Today is a fresh chance to create your best through small, positive actions, focusing on gratitude, self-belief, and kindness; embrace challenges as growth, find joy in simple moments and remember your unique strength and potential to shape your future, as a positive mindset can shift your whole day and life."



Frosty pledging and sharing one of his daily "thoughts of the day."

False starts and calendar trouble

We had no visitors or guests. **Evan** started the meeting with an apology. Saturday he dutifully went to **Diane's** house to pick oranges, but low and behold, that's scheduled for January 31, starting at **Diane Stauffer's** house, 3615 Cumberland Court at 10 AM! Bring gloves, bags, ladders, and a fruit picker!

Whoops, he turned around and went home. He and his wife decided to tackle his honey do list and they really got busy in the garage. (Can you come to my garage next week?) When he realizes it was Chili Cook Off night, it was already 7:30PM.



Let's pick oranges next Saturday!

Bummer! Strike two!

Evan then showed the plaque that our member and CEO **Michael Sorenson** brought, to thank North Stockton Rotary for our efforts and help with Friends Outside's Holiday Wish. It helped 130 kids, 62 families, gave presents including a bike, and **Michael** was Santa Claus!



President Evan shows the beautiful thank you plaque.

Sunshine Bucks

OK, It's Sunshine Time! **President Evan** announced his daughter is graduating from cosmetology school at 2pm today. Each student graduates one at a time when they complete the course. **Evan** is proud of her milestone and is looking forward to the free haircuts, perms and waxing!!

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Ray Call stood and said he missed last weeks meeting because he and **Joanna** traveled to Belize! It reminded him of Jamaica. They had terrible weather, rained the whole time, but they still managed to see the barrier reef, swim with hammer head sharks, turtles and barracuda. He presented Evan with some indigenous beer from Belize.



Richard Carr said he went to the chili cookoff Saturday night and unfortunately his wife **Tena** didn't because she was under the weather. **Richard** ate chili, drank beer, might of even had a cocktail and then dessert, only to realize he was in no condition to drive home. One of our newest members, **Khalil Deboor**, drove **Richard** home. A good deed and correct choice!!



Nancy Kelley, who actually won the chili cook off, voted on by discerning NSR members, stood to say what a great night it was. Special thanks to **Diane Correia** for hosting at her beautiful home. Just look at the pictures!

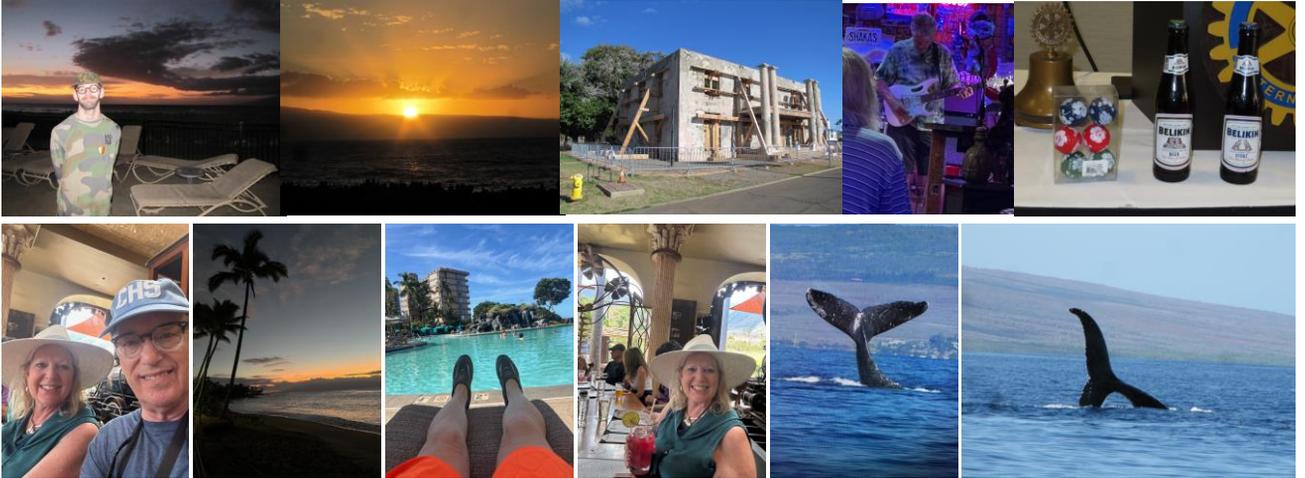


One chili was spicy, one was blond, one was just right and one had beans! Six versions altogether, with a fantastic salad **Diane** created, what a feast! I can't wait for our next social!

Sunshine wasn't over, **Chris Hunefeld** stood and said it's great to be back, my last meeting was December 16th. We went to Maui, Hawaii after NewYear. We couldn't believe the destruction the fires caused, everything is gone. I have a picture of what's left of the Courthouse. We went and met Chris & Carrie Hake at the Plantation by the airport and I had heard it was Mike Atherton's Project. We went to the bar after the tour and Mike was at the bar! It was great to talk and what a

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beautiful accomplishment he has created. We also went by so many golf courses, it made my shoulder hurt. I purchased a pack of Hawaiian colored golf balls for **Evan**. The Hilton Suites, the Restaurant's and the music we saw were great. I almost forgot the Ultimate Whale Watch Tour we went on. The Zodiac boat was awesome, as we chased the whales.



Upcoming Socials & Events

January 31 Saturday	Winter Fruit Harvest Diane Stauffer's 3615 Cumberland Ct. at 10am
February 3	Keller McDonald "Saving the Whooping Crane"
February 7	Mid-Year Assembly - UC Merced
February 10	Christie Fuso - SC Office of Education
February 17	Area 2 Speech Contest
February 19	Octavio's Fundraiser - 20% to NSR
February 24	DARK - offsite Bowling, details later
March 3	Christine Morrissey - Animal Sanctuary
March 10	Lucas Hondus - Discovery Challenge Academy
March 17	Tony Franks - St Mary's Football Coach
March 24	Kirk DeJesus - Port of Stockton
March 28	SJC Indoor Rowing Rivalry
March 28	Community Hearing Screening - UOP
March 31	Dark - Offisite Whiskey Tasting

Game Time!

Speaker **Tony Yadon** picked a ticket and the winner was **Shelly Moreira!** Shelly chose the underhanded Jerry West/Wilt Chamberlain shot, and rimmed it, in and out!!! So very close! The Game goes on!
Club note: The Game has raised \$800 and Sunshine Bucks has also raised \$800!!! Great work NSR!

Member Note: An update on **Michelle Haner's** shoulder surgery is that she's successfully recovering, and her husband **Al** will get the pick line out shortly!



Today's Speaker: Tony Yadon

Our speaker today is **Tony Yadon**, the founder and Chief Executive Officer of Main Street Youth + Family Services, a nonprofit organization based in Downtown Stockton that has served children, youth, and families for nearly 20 years. Founded in 2006 as Parents by Choice, the organization has grown from a small foster care agency into a multi-service provider offering foster care and adoption, transitional housing, mental health services, parenting education, and family support programs across San Joaquin and Solano Counties. This year is their 20th Anniversary.

Tony was raised in a Pastor's home learning how to serve others. Since coming to Stockton he has been involved with service through Youth and Foster Care, through the Human Service agency. They not only place the foster kids, but they stay in touch and provide support. He found that kids age out of the foster program, so he came up with the Main Street Youth Program. A self sustain anchor tenant that is housed in the old Smith & Lange Department Store building on Main Street. It is 70,000 square feet of offices, restaurants and retail. Main Street now employs more than 100 staff and operates multiple programs and facilities in Downtown Stockton, including the Courthouse Plaza campus. Tony has led the organization through significant growth, accreditation, and community recognition, including being named San Joaquin County's Child Abuse Prevention Agency of the Year in both 2017 and 2024. He remains focused on doing whatever it takes to support vulnerable youth and families and strengthen the community they call home.

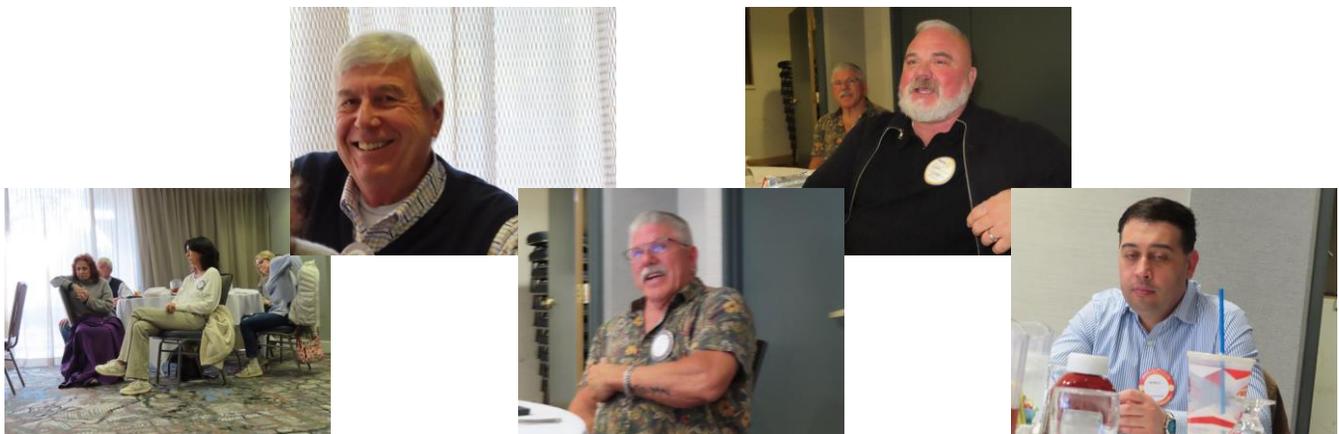


Tony Yadon – Main Street Youth & Family Services

Another step for the older foster graduates is the three-story Rue Building down the street, that when finished will have retail on the ground and house older young adults above. His model is providing housing, training, and jobs that will give the young adults experience to go to the next level. His goal is to keep the experienced and qualified employees in Stockton by providing rewarding jobs for them at all levels. He has started profit sharing partnerships in the plaza, another self-sustaining idea. They consider themselves problem solvers. All great ideas have come out of problems. He said to please let him know if you know anyone who needs help. Contact [Main Street Services](#).



President Evan thanked Tony for the excellent presentation and rang the bell at 1:27 PM.



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