



NORTH STOCKTON ROTARY CLUB

2025- 2026



Service Above Self

The Wheelbarrow

The Bulletin Of North Stockton Rotary Club



Evan Stone 2025-2026 NSR President



President Evan back at the podium after last week's All City offsite



It's the Hoopster in rare form!

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Vocational Service		RI Foundation	Ray Call				

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

12/02/25

President Evan rang the bell at 12:31 and the meeting began after we had a choice of Fried Fish or a lush vegan salad. He called up Ray Call to lead the Pledge of Allegiance, the 4-Way Test and give a thought for the day. Ray's thought came from Benjamin Franklin. He said. "Love your Enemies, for they tell you your Faults." "He that falls in love with himself will have no rivals." "Don't throw stones at your neighbors, if your own windows are glass." "There never was a good war or a bad peace." Thanks Ray, 'Ol Ben was very wise!

President Evan then thanked Ray for running the meeting when he was away and presented him with a commemorative water bottle from Fort Wayne.



Ray, great thought, but you couldn't get the pickle jar open?



President Evan then thanked Andrew Chesley for stepping up at the All-City Luncheon to handle the badge/sign up table. I won't tell you what Andy said, but it worked out for everybody! Here's Georgette Hunefeld posing with the ever-present Andrew Chesley. President Evan then showed us pictures from the All-City, taken by Chris Hunefeld. Whatta Guy!

Birthdays and Rotary Anniversaries

We had no visitors or guests. But we had some member birthdays this month. Stassa Mark, December 8th, Tom Hooper, December 18th, and new member Khalil Daboor, December 28th. We sang them a hearty Happy Birthday! There were no Rotary Anniversaries in December.



Here's Tom with our District Governor, 10/24/06

OK, It's
Sunshine
Time!



Khalil's big day being inducted into NSR!



Stassa is inducted into North Stockton Rotary

Sunshine Bucks



President Evan then opened the floor for Sunshine Bucks, where members shared their experiences with the Club. First to go was **Steve Groom!** Steve shared that after he had his first stroke, our speaker Pat Tirone was his physical Therapist, and he was grateful for her expertise and friendship! She gave him a hug on her way to the podium.



Diane Stauffer was next. She has returned from the winter paradise of Palm Springs and will be with us until January 21st, six days after your 4th quarterly estimate is due! Welcome back Diane.



Ray Call was up! After his Mexican Cruise, he is now retired you know, he woke up today and it was 9am! It's good to be retired!



Michelle Haner stood and shared that **President Evan** visited her family in Colorado, midway through their renovation of their son's home. It was great to see him, she misses us!! Husband **Al** 's new hip is infected again. He's now an Oxy baby... Back to the penicillin. Alas, **Michelle** goes in for shoulder surgery, geez, your insurance must be exhausted!



Diane Corriea said that she just saw the Trans Siberian Orchestra in Sacramento last Friday. **The Hunefeld s** and **Shannon McAuther** also were there. **Chris** identified the instruments they played, **Diane** was impressed!



Karen Rogers announced that the Octavio's fundraiser raised \$120.00 for our Club! Nice job! Let's do it again!

Chris Hunefeld said he went to a concert last Friday. Oh, sounds familiar. Then he announced his solar project for his home had been installed expertly and in time. The only problem is there is a permanent fog bank on the valley for the next six months! Great timing **Chris**.



Upcoming Events & Projects

Sponsor a child's HOLIDAY WISH

Your gift will provide holiday gifts for a child in San Joaquin County with a parent who will be incarcerated during the 2025 holiday season.

How it works

Make your online gift of any amount to Friends Outside. We will interview families to identify items each child needs, as well as some "wants."

A gift of \$200 buys two "wants" and two "needs" for a child!

If you prefer to do your own holiday shopping, call our office for details.

Scan to Give



Contact Friends Outside
(209) 955-0701
info@friendsoutside.org

Hurry! Please
make your gift
by December 5.



SHARING THE HARVEST

A California Non-Profit Corp. #02-0648013

P. O. Box 1191
Empire CA 95319

Fifth Annual Christmas Celebration for the Dignity and Liberty Veterans and Families

We want to invite you to join with us in this simple celebration. As with any endeavor it requires a collaboration of groups and individuals with a common goal. Our goal is to "share" our hope for humanity by bringing a bit of Christmas joy to veterans and families.

SHARING THE HARVEST is again providing a Christmas Celebration for 3 apartment complexes in Stockton. These complexes are supportive and transitional housing for previously homeless veterans and families who are actively working at turning away from addictions and attending programs that will help them return to a productive, self-supportive lifestyle for themselves and their families. We are celebrating their achievements.

There are approximately 225-250 people, adults and children. Our goal is to raise enough support (monetary and/or gifting) to provide a Christmas gift for each child and a holiday meal for each family. We would also like to provide a grocery gift card for each apartment unit (125) that has cooking capability. And, because we want to include the adults in the gifting, we hold a free raffle wherein each unit is given a chance to win a prize of their choice. These are usually items that benefit the entire family such as

- ◆ Bedding
- ◆ Cookware
- ◆ Storage & Organization
- ◆ Small Furniture
- ◆ Small Kitchen Appliances
- ◆ Cleaning Supplies or Equipment
- ◆ Home Decor
- ◆ Family Recreational

A really big hit with the residents are the gift cards which allow them to purchase essentials of their choosing. We have wish lists from the children.

All contributions need to be received by Friday, November 28, 2025, which will give us sufficient time to effect appropriate distribution according to their requests and individually wrap each gift. The weekend of December 12-13, we will be hosting Holiday events for the residents at which time their gifts will be distributed.

If you have any interest in participating, supporting, or further questions relative to this project, please feel free to contact:

Gloria Brasiel, Event Coordinator
Text "Sharing" to 209-662-1310 or
Email to OnlyMeltB@aol.com

As always, we invite volunteers to join us and experience, first hand, the spirit of gratification that results from helping others less fortunate. We always make the residents aware of the groups and businesses who have contributed to their enjoyment of the Season.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION



Upcoming Socials & Events

December 08	Board Meeting 6PM
December 09	Club Christmas Party at Bill and Shirely McDonald's home
December 16	Stockton Portsmen Barbershop
December 23	DARK
December 30	DARK
January 6	Club Assembly
January 13	Mary Ann Pafford – SUSD Librarian
January 20	Steve Ding, San Joaquin Board of Supervisors

NSR Holiday Party Details

YOU ARE INVITED TO NORTH STOCKTON ROTARY'S HOLIDAY PARTY
December 9th at 6 PM, 4212 Tsushima Court in Brookside

RSVP REQUIRED TO KENDRA@CKMEDIASOLUTION.COM:

SEND YOUR NAME, PHONE NUMBER, AND EMAIL SO WE CAN
GET YOU PAST THE GATE ELVES AT THE ENTRANCE.

WHAT TO BRING:

BOARD MEMBERS: YOUR BEST HOLIDAY BEVERAGES

GUESTS: A DESSERT THAT MAKES THE ROOM GO "MMM!"

FESTIVE FUN ON DECK:

**UGLY HOLIDAY SWEATER CONTEST — UNLEASH YOUR MOST
DAZZLING DISASTER**

WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE — ONE WRAPPED MYSTERY ITEM

**TOY DONATION DRIVE — BRING AN UNWRAPPED TOY TO SPREAD
SOME CHEER**

*COME READY FOR LAUGHS, SURPRISES, AND THE KIND OF
ROTARY FELLOWSHIP THAT ALWAYS DELIVERS A GOOD TIME!*

Here are some past holiday Party Pictures!



Game Time!

Speaker Pat Tirone picked a ticket and the winner was Jim Dugoni! Jim chose the underhanded Jerry West/Wilt Chamberlain shot, and rimmed it, in and out!!! The Game goes on!

Today's Speaker: Pat Tirone



Diane Stauffer introduced her friend and neighbor, Dr. Pat Tirone, aka, “Coach Pat”. She is the Executive Director and founder of Delta Sculling Center - but her journey to the rowing world started long before Stockton. She began her work life teaching swimming and lifeguarding, later serving as head lifeguard at Michigan State University’s faculty swim club. After earning her BA from Albion College, Pat spent three years in Togo, West Africa as a Peace Corps volunteer, teaching high school math and English as a Foreign Language.



She later moved to New York City, where she completed graduate degrees in education – including a doctorate – taught ESL, and directed the Bronx Community College Adult Learning Center.



Never one to stop learning, Pat earned a second doctorate at age 50 in Physical Therapy and practiced for 14 years before launching the Delta Sculling Center.

Today she brings all of that teaching, coaching, and community spirit to DSC’s program for youth, adults, military veterans, and adaptive athletes – always guided by the belief that EveryBODY Sculls. She also leads DSC’s vision for the future Delta Aquatic Center of Stockton, a community hub that will bring together rowing, paddling sports, and expanded access to the Delta for all ages and abilities.

Off the water, Pat enjoys ballroom – especially Latin dancing – which may be why she’s so good at helping people find their rhythm in a rowing shell...and somehow convincing even the sleepest souls that 5:30AM is a perfectly reasonable time to be on the water!

NSR Holiday Party Details

Discover Delta Sculling Stockton, inclusive rowing programs for youth, veterans, and adults of all skill levels. EveryBODY sculls here. Delta Sculling is a rowing community in Stockton, California that makes sculling accessible to everyone. At Delta Sculling Center, we help people of all ages build healthy habits, ... <https://deltasculling.org/>

Youth Programs

Recreational and competitive rowing programs are designed for 6th to 12th-grade youth. Practices are offered after school, weekends and through summer camp programs. Experience fitness training on land and sculling on the water and make friends with fellow scullers. Newcomers are welcome anytime!

Masters Program - For Adults

Our Masters program welcomes all able-bodied adults, offering sculling opportunities at various levels, ranging from beginners to those with over 20 years of experience. If you're new to the sport, consider signing up for a sample scull or a private lesson to get started

Freedom Rows - For Veterans + Military

Participate in our Freedom Rows program tailored for disabled veterans and active-duty military personnel. All veterans facing special challenges from any era are invited to join, regardless of their sculling experience. Our versatile boats will get you moving on the water in no time. If you are new to sculling, we'll provide the necessary training for you.

OarBusters - Adaptive Athletes

A unique adaptive sports program in the Central Valley, OarBusters meets weekly to experience freedom through movement on the water. Our adaptable boats cater to your specific needs, offering a novel way to stay active, enhance your health, and engage socially.



All City Thanksgiving Luncheon

Delta Sculling Center is located at 4950 Buckley Cove Way, Stockton, CA 95219.

Directions:

Head West on West March Lane until you reach the kiosk at the entrance of Buckley Cove Park.

Once you enter, make a right into the parking lot and find a single spot along the fence to parallel park. Then secure your car, and walk towards the water.

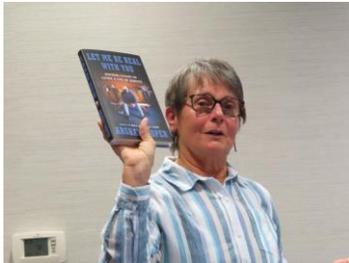
Before you reach the docks, you will see a gate to your left. Open the gate and locate the storage bays to your left, across from the water.

Delta Sculling Center's boathouse faces the water and has large DSC signs on the top...you can't miss us!

Pat is offering us a magnificent opportunity to be on the beautiful Delta water, to clear our minds, and strengthen our bodies.

Pat thanked us for our financial gift that has helped here programs hire new staff. Hopefully they will break ground on their new Center soon!

Thanks Pat, see you on the water!



President Evan thanked Pat for the excellent presentation and rang the bell at 1:30PM.



Lower left: The girls table was a little loud this week. Way to go girls!!



Thanks to everybody who brought in Gift Cards, above. They will be delivered and distributed immediately!!

See you next Tuesday Night at our Christmas Party!!

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