



Woodland Sunrise Wake Up Call



WOODLAND SUNRISE ROTARY WHERE WE PUT SUNSHINE IN YOUR LIFE!

Notes by: [Robyn Drivon](#)
March 28, 2019

President Larry Peterson presiding.

Flag salute followed by Sunrise Choir salutary garnished with a [solfeggio](#) chord.

Visiting Rotarians: Cecil ♦ Pancho ♦ Padilla from the Rotary Club of Winters; Our guest speaker, Amy Wolfe, who is from THE ♦ original ♦ Rotary Club of Modesto. Amy brought a flag to exchange.

Guest: Valerie Zeller, from the Yolo County Social Services Department, who is here to speak with us about the Life Essentials Bag project for foster youth.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Next week - Jim Hilliard/Brad Miller will talk about underinsured disasters.

4/6 ♦ Rotary District Training in Fairfield

♦ Interesting meeting & greeting;

Please come support Lynn Jepsen who is a presenter.

4/18 ♦ Dennis Brown, regarding Cal Fire Aviation.

4/25 ♦ Celebrate Rotary Membership Event ♦ The Program will be about Rotarians and both local and worldwide efforts.

4/30 ♦ Woodland Kids Read at WCC - 8:30 to 12:30 all welcome.

Volunteers may be needed for reading in small groups to children during that time frame. These are very endearing efforts and rewards, according to Robb Wallace, who suggests not asking 1st graders, again, to try their highest pitch as a warm-up.

5/1 ♦ Mystery Golf!

5/17-19 ♦ **District 5160 Conference:** Four-Way Fest at Reno ♦s Peppermill Hotel ♦ 4 Districts will be present for an ultimate Rotary learning experience and fun times.

President Larry invited **VALERIE ZELLER** from the County Office Social Services to speak to us about the Foster Youth Emancipation Project.

Valerie has been with CPS for 13 years and now works with the kids who are aging out of the foster care system. 18 years of age does not automatically result in a functional adult; transitional youth programs now support foster youth through the age of 21. This is a



Speakers

April 04, 2019

[Jim Hilliard & Brad Miller](#)
Under Insured Wildfire Homeowners

April 18, 2019

[Dennis Brown](#)
Cal Fire Aviation

April 25, 2019

[Membership Committee](#)
Membership Drive

Events

No Events found





program they voluntarily agree to participate in. Services include social work, judicial oversight, and tasks such as schooling and medical visits. Thanks so much for the Life Essential Bags which Rotary has presented these past many years as a starter kit for their new life. Some of the kids' feedback is very positive, appreciative and does have a request for more feminine products instead of shaving cream. These bags do provide the basics and serve them well as they transition to other housing

situations. In the future we will identify the male and female count for gender appropriate items. BTW there is a community group which adopts-a-social worker and makes available both toilet paper and feminine products for foster & other recipient needs.

RECOGNITION with a hoarse Sue Westwood

Ramon Urbano Notable: Ramon is recognized, as his wife is an honoree at Women's History Month. Karen Urbano was honored as a volunteer from the League of Women's Voters for its society changing efforts. Ramon shared that he is a member, too, and is very proud of Karen.

Byron MacConnell Birthday Byron had an interesting birthday this year. Birthday joke from Sue: A realtor had an appointment and was speeding along as he rushed to get there. The patrol officer pulled him over and walked up to the car and said, "Can I see your real estate license please?" Byron said, "Don't you mean my driver's license?" The officer said, "No, not everyone in CA has one of those." Byron said that he has given to the Tom Vail Foundation, Bell, and now, Byron said, he has a Medicare card.

Al Aldrete - Induction History on this day: On 3/28 the Nuclear incident at Three Mile Island occurred in 1979; Astrid Lindgren sprained her ankle so stayed inside and began to pen the Pippi Longstocking book series. Barnum Bailey Circus was founded; the siting of the Presidio was established in 1776. More importantly, How did the Vikings sack Paris? It was due to their sophisticated communication system - wait for it - Norse Code. Tom Galeazzi was Al's sponsor. Al began Rotary at the age of 5 with his dad. It has been and continues to be a great ride and thanks. Bell.

Robyn Drivon - Anniversary Ole & Lena Joke: Ole and Lena are sitting on their porch and Ole is enjoying a beer. Ole says, "I love you." Lena turns to Ole and says, "Ole is dat you talking or da beer talking?" Ole says, "Dat's me talking to da beer!" Robyn explained that she and Steve have a window anniversary from April 4 thru 6. It's a busy week because her boys' birthdays are April 1st and 3rd with celebrations for all planned. Bell.

HAPPY BUCKS

Michael White Happy Buck and a Thank You buck for the College's successful Founders Day celebration. Funds were raised for a lovely beneficiary who is a former

student and there will be continued efforts for coming years to endow a scholarship in her name. Please use the link provided for making donations to the [WCC Foundation Natalie Corona Memorial Scholarship Fund](#)

Also, Dr. White provided a See You Later Buck as he will be transferring to a house in Land Park which his wife recently found and to a different Rotary club. Moving to Sacramento is cheaper than divorce, so Dr. White is going to go with her ♦ he will report on where he lands.

Byron MacConnell ♦ Happy to report on our Sarah Landis; Byron saw her recently and she reports that she has passed her 18 month medical issue hurdle and is now doing well, even though she will be moving to Georgia.

John O ♦ Malley - He was able, thanks to the internet, to watch his son recently playing soccer in South Africa ♦ his son asked for advice about getting wifi to do his homework while in Africa ♦ figure it out were the words of wisdom from Dad.

Tom Galeazzi ♦ Happy to have undergone treatment from Tom Wendt ♦ between that and CBD oil ♦ he now feels great.

Gary Holman ♦ Happy Handful of Bucks for the support of Rotary friends. Gary has 3 more treatments through April 1st, then with some time for recovery he expects that he should be back to normal soon. Yeah!

Keith Rode ♦ Happy for Baseball Opening Day ♦ glad not to have any vocal opposition, a la Tanya Powell. Speaking of Tanya Powell, as an update, she was recently installed in to the South Placer Rotary and is living in Rocklin.

Lynn Jepsen ♦ Happy Buck from a SW Minnesota native. Lynn said that she knows a bunch of Ole & Lena jokes, but just wishes that she could tell them in public.

PROGRAM: AG SAFE

Amy Wolfe was introduced by Tom Wendt.

Amy is a member of the Modesto Rotary Club which will be celebrating their 100 year anniversary soon. She has followed her father ♦s footsteps into Rotary. Ms. Wolfe is the President and CEO of [AgSafe](#), whose mission is to advance the food and farming industry ♦s commitment to a safe, sustainable workforce, and food supply by providing practical education and resources. Her career includes tenure as a legislative aide to the California State Assembly, serving as an account executive for E&J Gallo Winery, and as Vice President of the California Agricultural Leadership Foundation. Ms. Wolfe is dedicated to her community serving on the Boards of Directors of

Help Woodland Community College Fund the Officer Natalie Corona Memorial Scholarship



*Officer Natalie Corona
Memorial Scholarship*



Our goal is to reach \$25,000 to endow an annual scholarship to preserve Officer Natalie Corona's Legacy.

Officer Corona was a 2016 graduate of WCC with a 4.0 GPA in Administration of Justice.

Use the link below to contribute
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the Modesto Rotary Foundation, the Salas Foundation, and Protected Harvest, being an involved member of the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau and a Girl Scout for nearly 35 years. Ms. Wolfe has a five year old daughter and a great dane. Welcome, Ms. Amy Wolfe.

Ms. Wolfe got started by saying that her topic today is emerging issues



in Agriculture Labor and she knows that her limit is 8:00 o'clock. Her AgSafe organization has a long history of working toward a safe and sustainable food supply. She works with agriculture staff on worker safety, pesticide safety, human resources and food safety these are supportive services for the farming community. Agriculture is the 2nd most deadly industry after coal mining in the country accidents are often fatal or inflict major injuries. California has 16 state and federal agencies charged with oversight: this greatly impacts the average farmer.

They are a 501c3 and so must ensure that there is a positive relationship with these agencies and compliance with the rules and regulations. There are, obviously, some conflicting restrictions on the books and her goal is to help farmers navigate them. There are some lobbying efforts to provide feedback about those burdensome measures which could be repealed or rescinded.

Ag Safe Mission:

The mission of AgSafe is to advance the food and farming industries commitment to a safe, sustainable workforce and food supply by providing practical education and resources.

Ag Safe Vision:

Our vision is to be the one-stop resource providing safety, health, human resources, and food safety solutions for the food and farming industries.

For more information, you can contact Amy at: 209 - 526- 4400

amy@agsafe.org or visit the website: [Ag Safe](#)

Programs include Community and Leadership training, as well as individual business services programs to develop and behave within the current laws and rules, e.g. sexual harassment, etc.

Current Legal Workforce Number One Issue: Immigration Reform. At the Federal Level do we know how many workers are occupied in U.S. in agriculture? A 5 year census from 2017 is not available, in 2012, there were 1.1 million workers this is very inaccurate they don't count farm labor contractors employees. This is meaningfully undercounted. There is a guestimate that 53% of ag workers are not legally on the job more guesses in California make the number over 80%. California has the major share of workers and illegal workers.

The guest visa program from the 1980s it was easy to use and did have an amnesty program. Reagan then did away with the program. It has been incredibly cost-prohibitive. Ensuring legal works is through the H2A on farm activity or H2B everything else. These guest worker programs are difficult to abide by.

H2A Georgia, Washington, Florida and now California. We are the 5th biggest user mostly due to strawberries. General farm labor workers come through the H2A popular in the Midwest. On average a farm may show 5

◆ 10 people year round and then intermittent uses may require an additional 50 or 60 during the harvest. Last fiscal year 16.7% increased use of this program, because of California's berry growers need pickers for the berry harvest. It was estimated to be a \$30 million dollar loss arose when berries weren't timely picked.

Why is there a challenge? It is incredibly expensive. To use it, you must prove earnest attempts to recruit in the U.S. ◆ prior to December, you had to advertise within papers in a 75 mile radius, including the Sunday edition for a certain length of time ◆ big expense. Any U.S. citizen must be employed for 50% of the length of the contract. You have to provide free housing ◆ this requirement includes HUD requirements for sleeping, kitchen, laundry, etc. [This has caused farmers on the coast to buy hotels, apartment buildings, anything affordable.] Other requirements include transportation, ◆required◆ wages, including time from housing to and from, as well as meals or kitchens. Then, you also have to treat domestic workers the same.

Not hiring U.S. workers is a given. Only 2% of the U.S. work force are involved in production of our food. It is hard work. If a domestic crew is paid, they must be managed with a salary that compensates them for their duties.

What is the Solution to this complex puzzle? There is an Agricultural Worker Program Act proposed by Feinstein in the Senate and Lofgren in the House. Diane Feinstein recognized that the biggest industry in California needs access to a legal and stable work force. She has been attentive to this issue for approximately 10 years. Newest effort is this: it would allow workers to earn a blue card and then if maintained for 3 -5 years, they would be eligible to earn green card status. If citizenship is pursued, that is available ◆ not a requirement. Politics opposes amnesty, some say it doesn't go far enough. The rest of the U.S. is leery of California's use of H2A ◆ it works there and don't know why California needs more. Some local farmers say this may be a start to getting legal.

The Farm Bureaus are supportive of this in California. E-Verify for validating legal right to work; this would be instant verification of status. Papers can be very valid looking. Mandatory E-Verify is nerve wracking to many.

Questions? Low relative numbers in the census, why not get them valid?

Requires them to leave the country for a period of time.

Thank you to our speaker, book signing.

Thank you to our guest and visiting Rotarians.

RAFFLE with Don Sharp

\$200 joker with a side pool of \$35.

Ramon Urbano picked a ticket belonging to Gary Wright ◆ he GOT THE JOKER!

2nd Chance goes to Jim Hilliard.

Gary Wright lead the 4 way test ◆ Bell.

