

Rotary



Club of Chico Sunrise

National Forest Fire Management

By Carol Linscheid on Thursday, February 9, 2023

President John opened our meeting without the bell and invited **Rich Powell** to provide our invocation. Rich shared that work has been tough and then shared some quotes on working through adversity.

Guests today included visiting Rotarians Evan Markee and Dan Mauldin, as well as Mark Murgia and our speaker Bill Smith.

Announcements & Comments

Mark Murgia has been sponsored by **Mark S** and was inducted today. Mark is a Chico local, yet has been living in Eureka recently. Mark was a member of a Rotary club there and was his club's president-elect. Due to family needs, Mark returned to Chico and is happy to be back in Chico, where he is a banker at Golden Valley Bank.

Dan B shared that Howard Slater's memorial service has plenty of volunteers for Thursday and Friday, but help on cleanup Saturday morning May 18th is still needed.

John shared there will be a district training called Rotary Basics via Zoom. The Multi-week learning sessions for newer Rotarians. The course starts Monday, February 20, 2023 thru March 13, 2023. All sessions begin at 6:00 pm. More info is available at rotary5160.org and check their calendar.

Larry G, James S and Carol L were brought to the front to receive their Paul Harris Fellow pins. The Paul Harris Fellow is awarded to members who have donated \$1000 and a +1 is given for each additional +\$1000. Our three members were awarded their +1, +2 and +3 respectively.

John then shared that, while he lost his bell, he had a tracker on it, and this led him to one **Kevin B's** home. Kevin shared that he does not have the bell, but he does have said AirTag. Seems Revin Slater (Howard's grandson) was enlisted with the help of **Dan B** in this caper. John's resulting plan: 1 bell per week for Kevin and Dan until the bell is returned, which Dan seems OK with this plan.

Teresa F announced that posters and post cards are available for our upcoming fundraiser. She is looking for donations and mainly needs butts in seats. Mark your calendars for March 17th, 18th and 19th where we will be building the bar in honor of Howard. Next committee meeting is this Monday, 5:30pm at NV Ag Services.

Recognitions

Aaron S was proud of his new truck in over 22 years. Seems his old jeep has been towed a couple too many times for his tolerance. Even though this truck is a hybrid, he still got 4 bells.

Susie S shared she got herself a new kitten. For those who saw the news, it is that one who was thrown out a moving car. The cat has three legs and his rescuers named him Tears Kitten, but Susie has renamed him **Jeff**. The club recommended Tripod, so John gave her three bells.

Phil W was recognized, but this reporter missed the details of his venture. Sorry Phil.

Program

Bill Smith from the Department of Forestry was our program today. Bill has been a forester for the government since the 70's and shared that they manage about 52% of the timberland in our area. He has worked out of Oroville on Tehama, Butte and Plumas lands which since the 1980's have had minimal management, in order to save the Spotted Owl and other species.

Bil believes in creating shaded fuel breaks which would be smaller pieces of actively managed land

Events/Speakers

February 9th
[Weekly Meeting - Bill Smith, retired Forester](#)

February 16th
[Weekly Meeting - Randy Linquist, His African Safari](#)

February 23rd
[Weekly Meeting - Hayley Watts, Action News Channel 12](#)

March 2nd
[Weekly Meeting - Gala planning, Teresa Frediani](#)

March 9th
[Weekly Meeting- William Nitzky, Chico State Anthropology Museum](#)

Birthdays



[Carl R. Ochsner](#)
March 3rd



[Sean Isom](#)
March 10th



[Daniel DeCaires](#)
March 11th

Club Anniversaries



[Mark Stuenkel](#)
04-01-2002
21 Years



[Leo A Weiss](#)
04-01-2002
21 Years



[Dana W. Miller](#)
04-01-2002
21 Years



[Patrick Pillsbury](#)
04-01-2002
21 Years

[Bob Linscheid](#)
04-01-2002

that can yield timber, enable small saw mills and provide a fire break for the inevitable fires in our area.

In Closing

John thanked everyone for their participation.

Thanks To:

Check In: Kevin B
Greeters: Sean I
Invocation and Pledge: Rich P
Bulletin: Sean I

Next week's duties are assigned to:

Greeters: Teresa F
Invocation: Teresa F
Check in: Gary P
Bulletin: Deb



21 Years



[Peter Giampaoli](#)
04-01-2002
21 Years



[Ron R. Piret](#)
04-01-2002
21 Years



[David W. Warner](#)
04-01-2002
21 Years



[Aaron Souza](#)
03-24-2011
12 Years



[Richard W. Powell](#)
02-26-2015
8 Years



[Mark Murgia](#)
02-09-2023
0 Years

Club Meeting

Chico Sunrise
Meets at Mom's Restaurant
209 Salem St
Chico, CA 95928
Time: Thursday at 06:45 AM