



## Valene L. Smith Museum of Anthropology

By Heidi E. Houlihan on Thursday, March 9, 2023



**President John** opened the meeting and called on **Forrest M.** for the invocation and pledge. He discussed the creation process and the "creation V" for taking an idea through commitment and finally to fruition. Leo W. and Nick M. joined by ZOOM.

Guests were Annabel Grimm, the general manager of CARD, from the Noon club, and our speaker, William Nitsky. Welcome!

### Announcements & Comments

- **John T.** – The District Assembly in Redding is on 3/25. Let him know if you want to attend.
- Birthdays are **Sean I.** on 3/10 and **Daniel D.** on 3/11. Happy Birthday!
- The bell is missing again??? **Teresa F.** pointed out that a Raider's cooler was at the front of the room. Lo and behold, the bell was inside. **Dan B.** denied that he had placed the bell there; although he did not deny that it was his cooler (other than the fact that he didn't recognize it because he had not seen it in so long). Mark S. suggested an auction of the Raider's ice chest, but John T. wanted to talk about the bell. He learned that green Jell-O cleans brass, and showed a picture of the bell once he removed it from its Jell-O internment. Who knew that Jell-O was as good as Tarn-X (still available on Amazon)?!! He had to really polish the upper tarnished portion. The bell looks beautiful.
- Annabel Grimm, from CARD, announced that any service projects that we have in mind; she would love to partner with us, as she has lots of parks.

### Recognitions

**Mark S.** – has a new silver Ford Truck. He had to pick it up in Iowa because transport brokers are con artists. He saved \$10K by buying in Iowa. **Aaron S.** bought the exact same truck on the same day, but somehow had to pay \$700 more for registration at the DMV. Mark S. celebrates 43 years in Rotary! Congratulations, Mark! 10 bells

**Sean I.** – finally moved into his new house in Cal Park, on the water with a dock, down the street from Howard and Diane's house. He has been renting since 2018, when they sold their old house. 3 bells

**Carol L.** – had a colonoscopy during which a medical device malfunctioned, which resulted in two emergency surgeries. Her care at Enloe was excellent and she is now doing well, just unable to lift for a while. 2 bells

**Gary P.** – was a foster parent and then adopted his son. He had his 22nd birthday and is now exploring the country. 2 bells

### Program

Our speaker was Dr. William Nitsky, associate professor of anthropology at Chico State University. He specializes in cultural anthropology of China and Japan, and speaks both languages. He spoke about the Valene L. Smith Museum of Anthropology, a teaching museum on campus. He teaches students how to curate museum exhibits and the students work on every aspect of the project. Graduates of CSU have gone on to work at the Smithsonian, LACMA, and the Getty. The museum exhibits aim to inspire diversity of cultural awareness.

### Events/Speakers

March 16th  
[Weekly Meeting-Pamm  
Larry, Butte Co. Local Food  
Network](#)

March 30th  
[Weekly Meeting-Tom van  
Overbeek, Chico City  
Council](#)

April 6th  
[Weekly Meeting-Dino  
Corbin, Stansbury Home](#)

### Birthdays



[Dana W. Miller](#)  
March 17th



[Jose Bravo](#)  
March 31st



[Teresa Frediani](#)  
March 31st



[Susie Sorenson](#)  
April 4th



[Randall Korte](#)  
April 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

The first exhibit he curated was on the Hmong, who are originally from Southeast Asia and China. Butte county has the largest population of Hmong in the US. His second exhibit was on the Japanese internment during WWII, called, "Imprisoned at Home." The current exhibit is "Deeply Rooted –How Soil Connects Us." This is a collaboration with professor of soil science, Dr. Garrett Liles, and brings together soil and anthropology. This exhibit will run until mid-February, open Tues-Sat 11-3, with free admission. The other gallery exhibit is called "On Location" and is about film tourism.

## In Closing

Thanks To:

**Mark S.** – wanted to bid on the Raider's ice chest before the meeting ended and suggested \$40.

**Dan B.** said he could have it for free. Mark S. opened the chest and what was inside was worth a little more than 40 bucks...

Invocation: Forrest M.

Greeters: Randy K.

Check In: Kevin B., Mark M.

Bulletin: Heidi H.

Next week's duties are assigned to:

Invocation: Desiree G

Greeters: Carl O, Aaron S

Check In: Forrest M, Gary P

Bulletin: Sean I



Patrick Pillsbury  
04-01-2002  
21 Years



Bob Linscheid  
04-01-2002  
21 Years



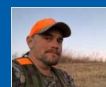
Peter Giampaoli  
04-01-2002  
21 Years



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