

Rotary



Club of Chico Sunrise

Heath Education Day

By Heidi E. Houlihan on Thursday, May 18, 2023

President John opened the meeting and called on **Phil W.** for the invocation and pledge. His invocation was perfect; too perfect...he had asked Chat GPT to formulate a "meeting invocation with an upbeat tone" and reminded us to check our sources. Be afraid; be very afraid...

Guests were Ken Dixon, from the Noon club, and our speaker, Sara Beacham.

Announcements & Comments

- John T.
 - There is a board meeting following today's meeting.
 - Reminded us that **Kevin B.** sent an email that Project SAVE needs volunteers to help load a container of medical supplies. Please contact him if you are able to help next Thursday after the meeting.
 - Received a resignation from **Suzie Ditty**, her work schedule has changed and she can no longer attend our meetings.

Recognitions

- **Neil Y.** – his son Jack qualified for the state ski competition in March. He is a sophomore on the PV ski team despite only having skied two years! Neil got snowed in with a bunch of high-schoolers after trying to save a buck by being a chaperone! 1 bell
- **Carl O.** – believes that **Randy L.** deserves recognition for donating money for books for the little libraries. With this and additional money from Carl, he was able to buy 120 children's books. Thank you Carl and Randy!

Program

Phil W introduced our speaker, Sara Beacham, the executive secretary for the Board of the North Valley Health Education Foundation (NVHEF). She has held this position for 12 years. This organization was founded in 1973 to help those with financial need become contributing members of society. They provide scholarships to medical students and allied health sciences students. In 2023, they are giving \$26,000 in scholarships! They had 32 applicants with students from 15 counties. The recipients must have an interest in returning to the area to practice. The average amount they give is \$1200, but medical students tend to receive \$2000-4000.

They do this all with no marketing –it is all through word of mouth. They give scholarships for education and related expenses (the funds are non-restrictive so students can use for transportation, rent, books, or tuition) for nurse practitioners, physician assistants, medical students, physical therapists, dietitians, nursing students and respiratory therapists. They also give a scholarship through Enloe Medical Center for their Junior Volunteer program for a high school senior. You can find more information or donate at NVHEF.org. Thank you for informing us about another great organization that is helping our community!

In Closing

John thanked everyone for their participation.

Thanks To:

Greeters: Dan B and Nancy D
Invocation: Phil W
Check in: Geralyn and Gary P
Bulletin: Heidi H

Events/Speakers

May 25th
[Weekly Meeting-Sarah Downs, Neighborhood Cat Advocates](#)

June 1st
[Weekly Meeting-Monica McDaniel, Chico Art Walk](#)

June 8th
[Weekly Meeting-Dave Nopel, Chico History Museum](#)

June 15th
[Weekly Meeting-Kristy Bird MaKieve, Butte-Glenn Medical Society](#)

June 22nd
[Weekly Meeting-California Women for Agriculture](#)

Birthdays



[Jason Smith](#)
May 27th



[Christian Garcia](#)
June 2nd



[Larry C. Guanzon](#)
June 6th



[Mark Murgia](#)
June 6th



[Nick Mariottini](#)
June 14th



[Neil Yelland](#)
June 16th

Club Anniversaries

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

Next week's duties are assigned to:

Greeters: John C and Phil W

Invocation: Karen H

Check in: Christian G and Nancy D

Bulletin: Sean I



21 Years



David W Warner
04-01-2002
21 Years



Bob Linscheid
04-01-2002
21 Years



Ron R. Piret
04-01-2002
21 Years



Mark Stuenkel
04-01-2002
21 Years



Dana W. Miller
04-01-2002
21 Years



Patrick Pillsbury
04-01-2002
21 Years



Peter Giampaoli
04-01-2002
21 Years



Jason Smith
04-29-2010
13 Years



Geralyn G. Sheridan
04-16-2015
8 Years



Paul Peck
04-27-2017
6 Years



Randall Korte
05-02-2019
4 Years



John P. Touchette
05-23-2019
4 Years



Gary R Podesta
04-28-2022
1 Year

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