

Meeting Date: December 3, 2013

### Today's Meeting



**President Les** opened the meeting on a cold and windy afternoon. **Don Huff Jr.** led our Pledge of Allegiance, while **Clancy Duppong** set the tone for Rotary Grace.

President Les remarked it was nice to see Don Smith in attendance today.

#### Visiting Rotarians

Immediate Past President Don Huff III introduced Ron DuPratt (Dixon).

#### Guests of Rotarians

**Don McNary** introduced his daughter, **Jane O'Meara**, who will soon be moving to Woodland from Berkeley.

#### Announcements

Linda Konietzko reminded us the Rotary Christmas Party, jointly sponsored by the three Woodland clubs, will take place this Friday, December 6, 2013 at St. Luke's Hall, 515 Second Street. 6pm cocktails; 7:15pm dinner, followed by dancing. \$40 per person. *RSVP Linda at 530 965-0168 for more information*.

President Les said we will be 'dark' for the holidays on December 24 and 31.

**Kris Kristensen** said **next week's program** (Dec 10) will be Leslie Botus, Vice President, Public Affairs for **Blood Source** talking about what Blood Source does. Two weeks from today (Dec 17) we will have the Club's **Holiday Party** with jazz club and choir students from Douglass Middle School (supported by Woodland Band Boosters) performing holiday music for us.

**Christy Hayes** distributed an announcement on Historic Downtown Woodland's **Holiday Carriage Rides** program which will be happening 5-8pm Thursday evenings until Christmas (December 5, 12 & 19) starting this week. Cost is \$5 for adults; kids 3 years old and younger are free. Pick up/drop off will happen at First & Main Streets. For more information visit <u>http://www.historicdowntownwoodland.com/events/</u>

**Mark Ullrich** spoke on the **Annual Dinner/Auction** coming up February 22, 2014. He is soliciting **sponsorships** and, with Clyde Brooker's help, was happy to announce Yolo Federal Credit Union has pledged a \$1000 sponsorship for the event.

**Karl Diekman** reported **Peter Faye** was admitted to Woodland Memorial Hospital yesterday with a respiratory infection. *Peter, our thoughts and prayers are with you for your complete recovery!* 

**Don Huff III** announced the annual meeting of the Club's past presidents (aka '**The Curmudegeons'**) took place last night and they developed the following list of Club officer nominees for 2014-15:

Clyde Brooker, President Alan Flory, Secretary Tony Delevati, Treasurer Mark Werum, Sergeant at Arms Board of Directors: (1 year term) Jenna Green (finishing Gene Benneth's term), Jeff Barry (2 year term) Becky Martin, Rick Sander (3 year term) Dick Hoppin, Tom LaBrie Kris Kristensen, President-elect

Don placed this slate of officer's in nomination on behalf of the group. He said the Club will be asked to vote on the nomination at next week's meeting. **Kevin Haarberg** thanked Don for his efforts in setting up last night's meeting.

**Tony Delevati** announced the folks at the back table at Club meetings will soon be able to take payments via credit cards.

**Tom Schwarzgruber** reported receiving today alone ten checks totaling \$1000 from members taking advantage of matching points toward Paul Harris fellowships as part of **Rotary Foundation Month**.

### Birthdays

Karl Diekman celebrated on December 2 (1949; Steubenville OH). Aniek Ramsay also celebrated yesterday, December 2 (1969; Fresno CA).

#### Anniversaries





### Recognition

Mark Werum took charge today. He threw in the first contribution by being happy for this recent visit to Kauai. Craig Miyamoto was also happy his demanding in-laws insisted on his family taking a trip to Oahu last week. Rick Sander too was happy for a recent vacation with his grandsons; and reported another grandchild was 'on the way'. Don Huff III was happy last night's Curmudgeon's dinner was over. Seth Wurzel was happy the NY Giants have found some wins recently. Mahlon Whittle reported that Roger Kohlmeier was visiting an orthopedic surgeon right now to address a broken collarbone Roger sustained in a fall on Thanksgiving (something about moving wine bottles).

Mark then asked for members to share their favorite moments in Rotary. Mark himself fondly recalls an episode with 'Paul Harris & the Fellows' (those of us who weren't there can only imagine what that was). Chuck Maltese spoke of a Rotary Christmas Party where carols were sung; Chuck was told by a friend 'for the love of God Chuck, stop singing!'. Mark Ullrich remembers a Rotary performance at the Opera House where he had to play the part of a woman. Don McNary said he was attending a Rotary meeting in Paris where he thought his appearance as a visiting Rotarian from California would be unique; not so, when 120 visiting Rotarians from California were asked to stand. Gary Bunch remembered a joint meeting with the Davis club. **Don Huff Jr**. remembered a Rotary International Convention in Chicago just before he became Club president. Karl Diekman had a 'Brad Pit moment' on a Rotary polio immunization trip to India. Jim McGibbon remembered a mini stampede being organized for the Rotary International Convention in Calgary. **David Flory** remembered the Jack Daniels treatment of rookie Rotarians at the old Fairgrounds BBQ. Frank Gardner remembered Donell Fisher ending the Fairgrounds BBQ. Clyde Brooker enjoyed sharing a beer with fellow Rotarians at the Beer Booth. President Les reminded us about a golf ball rattling around his cart off the club of **Bob Nakken** in a District Conference Lake Tahoe golf tournament.

## Rags to Riches



With \$712 in the pot and 7 cards left in the deck, **Dan Stroski** drew a free lunch.

# Today's Program

**Tabb Randolph** introduced **Mike Bazemore**, Associate Athletic Director at UCD. Mike has been in that role, responsible for the UCD Athletic Department's budget, since 2009. He previously worked at the University of Nevada, Reno; the University of Central Florida; and Jacksonville University. Bazemore, originally from Texas, earned his Bachelor's degree in radio and television, with a business minor, from Sam Houston State University in 1982. Bazemore received his master's in sport administration from St. Thomas University in Florida in 1992.

Bazemore spoke about the job he has on the side. For the last 19 years Mike has served as a spotter or statistician for national television and radio coverage of NFL games and major college football and basketball games including the Super Bowl and Final Four basketball championships.

Mike currently works NFL games for CBS with the team of announcer Marv Albert and analyst Rich Gannon. When not working for CBS he does similar work for Westwood One national radio broadcasts. His role is primarily to follow the ball closely at all times, and help the announcer identify the specific players involved in each play. He works with binoculars and uses a board that contains player names and numbers so Mike can non-verbally indicate who is involved in each play to his announcer. This helps the announcer convey a clear and accurate sense of the game to the audience. Mike emphasized getting the work done quickly after each play is important, but being accurate is even more crucial.

Mike spoke about the various rooms that television versus radio announcers must work in to call games. He also described the difficulties of traveling from one venue for a college game on Saturday, to an NFL game site on Sunday. He got his start in this work while at the University of Jacksonville FL when the Jacksonville Jaguars were formed in the early 1990s. He was in the right place when a new spotter was needed.

# <u>Upcoming Programs</u>

December 2013 10: Leslie Botus, Vice President/Public Affairs, Blood Source http://www.bloodsource.org/

17: Holiday Program - Douglass Middle School Choir & Jazz Combo under the direction of instructor Ken Holck.

24: DARK, no meeting

See more program listings on the Club's website at <a href="http://www.woodlandrotary.org/Programs.cfm">http://www.woodlandrotary.org/Programs.cfm</a>