

Meeting Date: February 5, 2019



Today's Meeting

President Mike Chandler opened the meeting to a good crowd. PDG **Karl Diekman** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Rotary 'Gracers' - **Steve Venables, Clancy Duppong & Dan Stroski**, were short in number, but long on voice today.

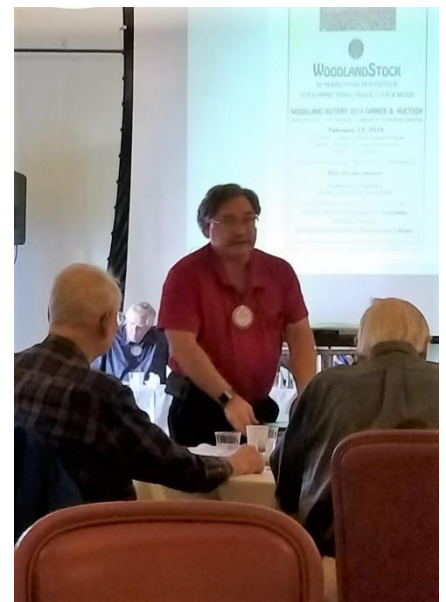
President Mike gave thanks to **Gary Wegener** for working Meals on Wheels; and to **George Burger** and **Roger Kohlmeier** for doing the set up.

President Mike had a few reminders for us:

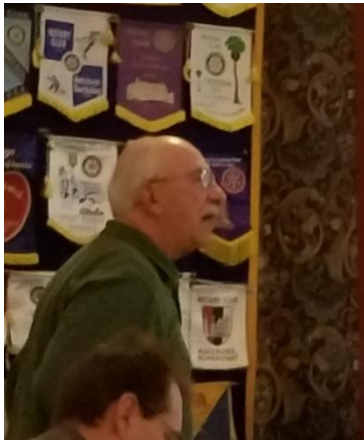
- The next **Club Board of Directors meeting** will take place 4:30pm, Monday, February 11 at the Ullrich Delevati CPA office at 433 Second Street. The meeting is open to all Club members to attend.
- **Volunteer Hours** - Give President Mike information about the hours of volunteer work you do for the community inside & outside of Rotary. He will use the information to 'make the Club shine' for all the work we do.
- **Davis Rotary Club Big Night Gala Feb 9** - \$150 tickets. Supporting Child Abuse Prevention. Visit <http://www.rotaryclubofdavis.com/> for more information.

Club's 2019 Dinner Auction

President-elect **Tony Delevati** reminded us that the Dinner Auction was set for **Saturday evening, February 23** at the Heidrick Ag History Center. He encouraged members to bring in a donation of a quality bottle of red or white wine for the Barrel of Wine auction item. **Dan**



Stroski has raffle tickets to distribute; members are asked to get at least two sold prior to the Auction. **Nick Roncoroni** can use help from members finding donations for the Silent Auction/Lucky Draw. **Scott Johnston** is coordinating Oral Auction items. And **Mark Ullrich** and **Roger Kohlmeier** are obtaining sponsors for the event.



Announcements

President **Mike** said, because of Easter week, there will be no Club meeting on Tuesday, April 23, 2019.

Chuck Maltese is currently taking signups for the **May 1, 2019 Rotary Mystery Golf Trip**. \$100 per player. Space is limited so sign up soon as other local Rotary Club members are also planning to attend.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

None.

Birthdays

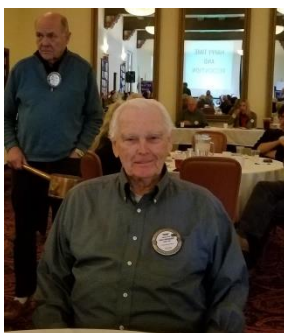


Mike Chandler had a birthday on Feb 1st (Woodland)

Anniversaries



Peter Holmes 'rang the bell' for his February 11th anniversary with Chris 35 years ago (San Diego).



Recognition

Recognition Chair **Gary Bunch** took charge of fines today. **Don Huff III** was scheduled to do so, but was not here. His father, **Don Huff Jr**, said he was back at Lake Tahoe shoveling snow!

Happy Rotarians included:

- **Brian Lin** was happy his son recently turned 8 years old, a reminder that the Lin family has been in Woodland 8 years now. His son is quite the car enthusiast. His son says 'Christ-ler' is Jesus' favorite ride.
- **Dan Stroski** learned about Chinese New Year last night from his two Chinese exchange students.
- **Kris Kristensen** thanked David Janes, Lori Ross and others for bringing in excellent programs. He encouraged members to follow their example by thinking of people they know who could provide the Club with good programs in the future.
- **Scott Johnston** won a big Super Bowl pool this past Sunday, which recoups some of his recent golf wagering losses.



Jim McGibbon was late to the meeting. He was fined because the Rotary Gracers missed his voice.

Steve Venables learned not to use the phrase 'Hey good looking' to some of our members.

Gary then asked a series of questions about information on various members:

- **Laurie Ruiz** knew that **Tony Delevati** had 11 siblings.
- **Shawn Seyk**, **Tom LaBrie** and **Tim Pettit** did not know that **Gary Wegener** has the horse racing call song for a cell phone ring tone.
 - After **Jason Smith** didn't, **Clyde Brooker** knew that **Kris Kristensen** was the first of his family to be born in the United States.



This is Your Life

President Mike called on **Shawn Seyk** today. Shawn is a business consultant, helping businesses with valuations, financing and lending. His high school football team was famous for beating Bay Area powerhouse De La Salle HS in his junior year. Shawn spent 13 years in the music industry which made him familiar with several performers. Shawn's hobbies include

fishing and backpacking. He once took a 42 mile, 5 day backpacking trip with a friend from Mammoth to Yosemite...during which the friend developed altitude sickness. Yet his favorite vacation was to Prague and Loděnice in the Czech Republic. His pet peeve is when people leave the cap off a tube of toothpaste.



Rags to Riches



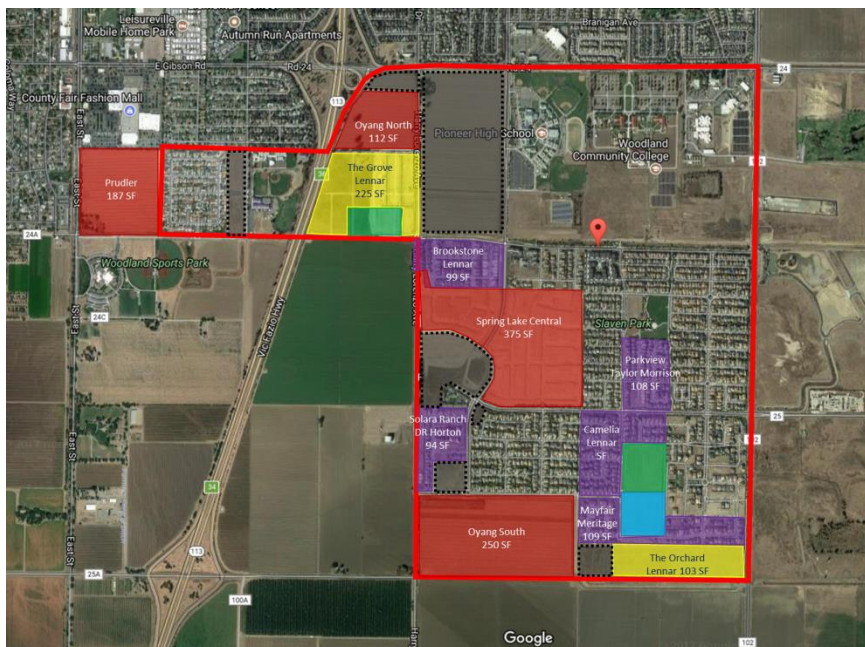
With the pot at \$296 and 26 cards remaining, **Kevin Haarberg** drew a free lunch.

Today's Program

Kris Kristensen introduced **Ken Hiatt** as our guest speaker today. Ken is a Yolo County native. After graduating from UC Davis, he worked for the City of Davis for over 20 years in various planning, economic development & redevelopment roles. He and his family moved to Woodland in 2012 and Ken came to work for the City of Woodland in 2013. He is the City's Assistant City Manager/Community & Economic Development Director.

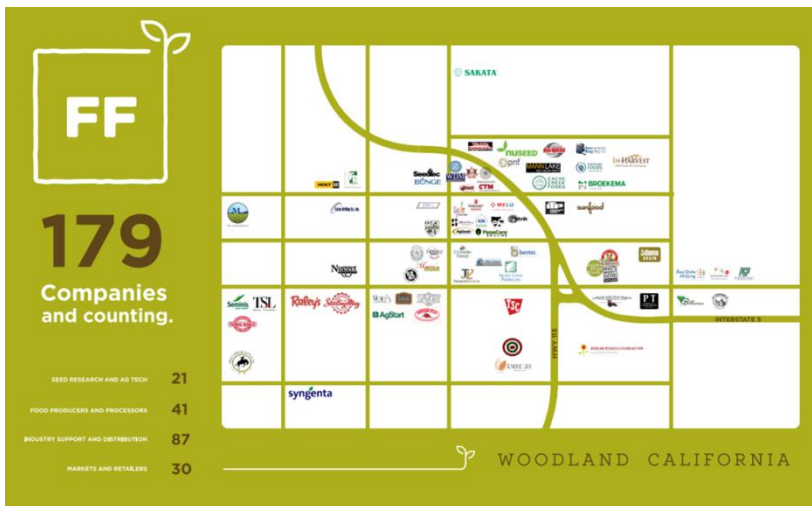


Ken first asked those assembled what topics they wanted to hear about from him. He then gave us a review of a wide variety of projects, programs and development plans currently underway in the community.



Woodland's current growth is taking place in the **Springlake** area (southeast Woodland) as six national builders are working to build about 1,000 new housing units. In an adjacent area, the 350 acre Woodland Research & Technology Park Specific Plan has generated considerable interest with agricultural business thinking about relocation or expansion.

The Woodland City Council has designated the City's existing industrial area as the location for new **cannabis** commercial sites. No retail operations will be allowed. Three applications for new cannabis businesses are currently being reviewed.



Woodland's current initiative, **Food Front**, is an effort to partner with the community's existing 185 food & agricultural businesses to grow and keep them local. So far, the effort has resulted in some of



those companies making investments of \$150 million to expand in this area.



Considerable activity is happening in **Downtown Woodland**. The City is working with a developer to bring a 5 story Hilton hotel to land adjacent to Freeman Park, across Main Street from the new Courthouse. A three story housing project is currently under construction at Lincoln and

Third Streets. Work on the old Pearson's Building remodel have been stalled for months, but are expected to move forward again. The City has started work on a new Parking Master Plan which is likely to include a parking permit program for downtown employees.

Long awaited **reconstruction of W Main Street** is currently out for bid with construction expected to start in June 2019, thanks to successful efforts to find funding from multiple sources. Similar street improvements along portions of **W Court Street** are currently waiting for PG&E and other utilities to lower some existing lines before reconstruction is completed.

The City and County of Yolo are working together on the **homeless** situation. The old County jail site on Court Street is being considered as a site for temporary shelter. Meanwhile, the City is working on a plan to create a more permanent housing project of 60 units serving homeless people on City owned land at the NW intersection of Beamer St & CR 102. Construction on the site is expected to begin next Spring with occupancy in 2020 or 2021.

Upcoming Programs

February 2019

12: Kevin Haarberg, 'Visit to Tanzania'



19: Lacey Hilliard, F.I.R.E (FIRST IN, FIRE RELIEF for EVACUEES);

<http://www.firstinrelief.com/>



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