



the SPLINTER

CLUB 470 * DISTRICT 5160 * **ORGANIZED APRIL 29, 1926**
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MEETING DATE: April 22, 2025
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Today's Meeting

President Bob rang the bell a bit early on a beautiful spring day and asked **Les Engelmann** to lead the pledge. **Jim McGibbon** joined **Dan Stroski** and **Jordi Richter** in the Rotary song.



Inspirational (?) Quote of the Day
Who Said?

Abigail Adams

- "You cannot be, I know, nor do I wish to see you, an inactive spectator... We have too many high-sounding words, and too few actions that correspond with them."



Visiting Rotarians/Guests

Only **Byron MacConnell** today.

Announcements:

Bob thanked **Reggie Powell**, **Shawn Seyk**, **Don Huff, III** and **Tabb Randolph** for set up. **Nick Roncoroni**, covered tech and yours truly for Splinter duties. **Gary Wegener** and Joanie are doing Meals on Wheels.

Aniek Pflager, gave some final reminders for the Auction this Saturday night. Bring cash for server tips and 50/50 raffle tickets.

Committee chairs reported the status of various segments of the fundraiser. There will be a fantastic selection of silent and live auction items so bring your credit cards.



Announcements

- Annual Dinner Auction, April 26, 2025.
- We will be Dark April 29, 2025
- District Conference, May 2-4, 2025, San Ramon Marriott
- May 5, 2025, possible joint meeting with Davis Noon at Community Church in Davis. Same times as our meetings. \$20 cost. Program about those left behind after Vietnam War. We would be dark May 6, 2025.
- May 7, 2025, Mystery Golf at ?
- Rotary International Convention, June 21-25, 2025, Calgary Canada
- July 12, 2025, District awards and installation ceremony in Chico.
- 100th Club Anniversary celebration (Club began April 29, 1926) tentatively set for April 25, 2026.
- \$15,000 needed for shade sails at Rotary Pavillion at Woodland Regional Park Preserve.



Birthdays: and Anniversaries:

Bob Nakken is expected to make it to his birthday on April 27 at which time he will be 73. He was born in Woodland but wasn't a "Blevins Baby".



Rob Beggs wasn't on the "list" but owned up to having his 70th birthday on April 21. He was born in Pasadena, home of the Rose Parade.

Anniversaries

Gena Bravo and her husband, Steve, will be celebrating their 12th anniversary on April 24 with a five day trip to Didnyland.



Eric Zane and Jennifer will be together 21 years on May 1. They were married at St. Lukes Church just down the street.



And **Christian Sherrill** and Holidae will hit 21 years a week later on May 8. They were married in Woodland.



Recognition:

Blair Voelz was in charge of recognition (money collection) today and began with Happy Time.

Don Huff, III was happy that Shasta Lake is at 96% of capacity. Looks like plenty of water for ag this year! He was also happy to have visited back east to celebrate Brandon's 20th "Live Day" anniversary (the day he was severely injured in Iraq) and saw his 10-month-old grandchild.

Mark Ullrich and **Tony Delevati**, looking a bit pale and squinting at the daylight, joined us today after being sequestered behind computer screens for the past couple of months. They survived another tax season.

Lori McGrath had a good time in Capitola last weekend.

Jim McGibbon was proud of several of his grandchildren that are attending Notre Dame.

Blair then moved on to the question of the day, "What do you do in your time away from work?"



Blair started by sharing that he liked to garden, hike and backpack.

Reggie Powell likes to rock climb and participate in Iron Man triathlons, the ultimate test of endurance. **Angela Lynn** likes to attend her son's sports events, is breaking in a new puppy, and likes to travel. **David Pinto** is working on visiting all the national parks and likes to garden. **Bob Nakken** likes to walk his dog, "golf", and read. **Barbara Sonin** likes to work with her potted plants and read.



Gregg Kowes likes to attend Woodland Christian games and golfing. **Christian Sherrill** likes to watch his kids play sports and go to the coast. **Brian Dwyer** likes to watch his kids play sports. **Gena Davis** relaxes by watching crime shows and reading crime novels. **Eric Sharp** came up with about 25 things he likes to do...I ran out of paper. For a retired guy, he sounded very busy.



Rags to Riches

With the pot growing to \$276, **Nick Roncoroni** won the drawing but not the pot. Free Lunch!

Today's Program

Jim Nolan introduced long time Woodlanders Kathy Trott and Larry Love. Their organization, Woodland Opportunity Village, has been working for the past seven years to build in-fill low-income housing in Woodland. They are nearing the start of their first project to be located near Kentucky Avenue and College Street on Freeman Court.

Kathy shared that the homeless count in Woodland in 2024 showed 416 unsheltered people, but as many as 3,000 families are "overburdened" with housing costs as they pay more than 30% of their gross income on housing costs.



Vision

- Build infill garden courts
- 1 bedroom units for 1-3 related family members
- Permanent homes renting for no more than 30% of family income
- Quality maintenance of units and grounds
- Common building for weekly meetings, events, celebrations, laundry, skills development, & more
- Parking, bicycle parking, shaded patio, porches, dog park, shade trees

The 12-unit development is envisioned to be a “community” of residents that help each other out and will have the comfort in knowing their housing needs have been met. The residents will pay no more than 30% of their income for rent and the rest will be subsidized. The buildings will be built to code and there will be a part time on site manager. For more info go here:

<https://www.woodlandopportunityvillage.org/>

Larry and Kathy also complemented the Rotary clubs of Woodland for the, “wonderful program on homelessness that Rotary sponsored out at Woodland Community College a couple of months ago. It was a powerful morning watching the film and listening to the three presenters.”