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Weekly Programs

To suggest a future program, contact Program Chair David Murphy (758-1838), email: davemurphy@stanfordalumni.org

Programs

Dec 1: UCD's West Village, by John Meyer

Dec. 8: Five Things Never to Ask Your Son's Coach, and Other Life Lessons From the World of Sports, by Mark Kreidler

Dec. 15: Holiday Party

Dec 22: No meeting

Dec 29: No meeting

Jan. 5: New Robert Mondavi Food and Wine Institute, by Executive Director Clare Hasler

Jan. 12: Chronicles of becoming the world's fastest motorcycle rider, by Rocky Robinson.

Meals on Wheels

If you swap dates, contact Greg Phister: (W) 756.9211 (H) 753.5594

Coordinator: Steve Young
12/4 Randy Alston & Bob Ware
12/5 Bruce Hartsough & Bill Roe

Coordinator: Randy Alston
12/11 Samer Alassaad & Dean Labadie
12/12 Alex Amaya & Bill Alger

Coordinator: Greg Phister
12/18 J. Anderson & J. Holmes
12/19 Lou Below & Paul Hart

12/25 Holiday No Drivers
12/26 Holiday No Drivers

01/01 Holiday No Drivers
01/02 Holiday No Drivers

Coordinator: JD Denton
01/08 David Cruz & Kay Resler
01/09 Marisa Schaffer & Mike Robinson

Coordinator: Greg Phister
01/15 M. Famula & R. Gambatese
01/16 Ron Fisher & Linda Hendricks

Coordinator: Steve Young
01/22 Roger Gambatese & Dave Scheiber
01/23 Leon Garoyan & Wayne Schrader

Announcements

Today was a joint meeting with about ten **Davis Soroptimists**.

Rotary T Shirts are still available; see **Steve Young**.

J.D. Denton and Fleet Feet were recognized for again contributing shoes to 15 needy families identified by Davis Crisis Nursery.

Sgt. J.D. Denton, short of "dirt," asked Davis Rotarians to bring information that could lead to fines to his attention. "Happy Bucks" volunteers included **Roger Gambatese** (for his son's recent marriage); **Ernie Head** (for a new great-grandchild); and **Ted Puntillo** (for having been off the Davis City Council for two years).

See **Debbie Davis** or **Brian Horsfield** to get an announcement on the club's website.

Helen Thomson Program

Yolo County Supervisor Helen Thomson spoke about the challenges facing county government. Helen brings over thirty years of experience to understanding these issues: She served for 12 years on the Davis school board, followed by 10 years on the county Board of Supervisors, then 6 years in the state Assembly before being termed out, afterwards returning to the Board of Supervisors.

She described counties as the "delivery system" for many state services, including social services, property tax assessment and tax collection. In unincorporated areas, the county provides

municipal services like land use planning, road, and law enforcement.

Right now Yolo county government is working on a new general plan to guide land use decisions in unincorporated areas. Big issues include the future role of agriculture; growth pressures from Sacramento and the Bay Area (outside the county) and from UCD and the Cache Creek Casino (inside the county).

State budget problems reach the counties quickly as state funding is reduced. Helen said the county may have a \$19 million deficit next year; this is roughly the equivalent of 10% of the county workforce.

She supports construction of the proposed state prison reentry facility in Madison, as the inmates who would go there are now released directly into the community. Helen is looking forward to building of a new county courthouse, hopefully in downtown Woodland.

The following persons have been proposed as new club members:

Prospect: Elizabeth Stallard
Classification: Civil Litigation
Proposer: Jim Willett

Prospect: Tammy Hengel
Classification: Swim & Fitness
Proposer: Grace Chen

In accordance with the by-laws, "A ten-day period shall be allowed during which any member objecting to the election of the applicant(s) shall notify the Board of Directors, in writing, stating reason for his/her objections."

"After the expiration of the ten days, the Board shall meet and consider such objection as may have been submitted. They shall then proceed to ballot and, if not to exceed one negative vote is cast, the proposed member shall be considered duly elected. The applicant and the proposer shall then be notified by the Secretary of the applicant's acceptance or rejection."

