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Weekly Programs

To suggest a future program, contact Jim Willett, Chair of the Program Committee.

Programs

Nov. 16 – Susan Finkelman, Davis Cemetery

Nov. 23 – Sandy Simpson, UCD Basketball Coach

Nov. 30 TBA

Dec. 7 TBA

Dec. 14 TBA

Meals on Wheels

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

Coordinator: Don Kessler
11/19: Bill Roe & Mike Robinson
11/20: Marisa Schaffer & D. Scheiber

Coordinator: Les Portello
11/26: (no MOW)
11/27: Mike Peterson & Maurice Silva

Coordinator: Greg Gibbs
12/3: Virgil Smith & Ty Smalley
12/4: Margy Spencer & Eliz. Stallard

Coordinator: Doug Jena
12/10: Bill Streng & Al Stehli
12/11: Jeff Stromberg & Charre Symms

Coordinator: J.D. Denton
12/17: Les Portello & Alan Telford
12/18: Jim Willett & Gary Walgenbach

Coordinator: Grace Chem
12/31: Bud Wolf & Darla Young
1/1: No Delivery

Coming Events

Dec. 7: Wear a red shirt/top/outfit to honor DG Kilmer when he visits our club.

Feb. 6, 2010: Tenth Annual Big Night benefitting Child Abuse Prevention Program.

Announcements— November 2

Rochelle Donaldson was inducted as a member of Davis Rotary. She is with Families First, and her sponsors were Bud and Judy Wolf.

Judy Wolf reports that the Child Abuse Prevention Project Committee will soon be taking grant proposals from local child welfare organizations.

Know of a good speaker? Tell Program Chair Jim Willett.

Member Spotlight was on Chris Martin. He’s been in Rotary about five years, and he said the highlight was working on the Hurricane Katrina Relief Project. Chris is a third-generation Davis resident. His grandfather and father were farmers south of Davis, and until the recent economic downturn Chris’ current crop was sod. As a long-term project Chris would like to secure a rural site for the Boy Scout Cabin. He’s a scoutmaster and has two children, 9 and 7.

Thanks to Randy Alston, Steve Bick, Debbie Davis, Jeannie Jones for help with the senior smoke detector battery replacements.

In the run-up to Veteran’s Day, Bud Wolf recalled that during his year as president (1999) the club sponsored a special dinner to celebrate the club’s “greatest generation” veterans.

Yvonne Clinton drew the Joker and won \$349 in Draw of the Day.

Tom Stallard on Frank Lloyd Wright, Architect

Tom Stallard – lawyer, former Yolo County Supervisor, and renovator of historic buildings in downtown Woodland – gave a great talk on renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright.

Tom said he became interested in Wright years ago because he loves good design. For years he’s lived in a house in Woodland that was inspired by Wright’s work. He’s traveled to visit many existing Wright structures in the US, and is a member of the three groups that work to preserve Wright buildings and promote his design principles.

Wright was a great architectural talent, and also a self-promoter and megalomaniac. Early in his career he said “I intend to be the greatest architect of all time.” He was a control freak too – sometimes he designed furniture for his buildings, and even clothing for his clients to wear in them.

Wright is best known for “Prairie Style” architecture – long, low buildings. He was the first designer to use indirect lighting, bands of windows to bring the outside inside, and other innovations radical a century or so ago. Tom said that Wright buildings have a reputation for leaks and other problems, but in many cases that was because his designs were so far in advance of the materials technologies then available. Often defects have been cured with modern products.

Wright died 50 years ago, at age 92. He designed over 1,000 structures. 532 were built, and about 400 still exist.