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Weekly Programs

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

Programs

Nov. 30: Prof. Bruce Hartsough, The Square Tomato

Dec. 7: District 5160 Governor Earl Kilmer

Dec. 14: Annual Holiday Party

Dec. 21 & 28: No Meeting

Jan. 4: Dick Berry, Fencing

Jan. 11: Ray Rodriguez, Something About Food?

Jan. 18: No Meeting

Jan 25: Michael Mendonca, Rotary Artificial Hand Project

Feb. 1: Paul Hart, Polio Vaccine Trip to Benin

Meals on Wheels

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

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

Coordinator: Paul Hart
1/7: _____ & Steve Young
1/8 Greg Phister & J.D. Denton

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 23

About 20 members of the Davis Soroptimist Club were present for the now-traditional annual joint meeting. Soroptimist President this year is Lea Rosenberg. Several Davis Rotarians (Debbie Davis, Judy Wolf, Marissa Schafer, Liz Magnusson) are also Soroptimists.

Also in attendance were Judge Dave Rosenberg (an honorary Davis Rotarian) and District Governor Elect Carl Dietmer (Woodland Rotary).

President Debbie announced the Rotary board recently approved the following grants: \$100 to Davis Holiday Meal at Davis Food Coop; \$900 to a Davis Girl Scout's Gold Award project to build a veterans memorial; \$270 to the RI Rose Parade Float; \$1,000 to Tsunami Relief in Samoa (leftover funds from the Sri Lanka Tsunami project). The Shelter Boxes purchased with Davis Rotary's \$5,000 contribution last year are in Sumatra, Indonesia for earthquake relief there.

Steve Bick volunteered to coordinate playground repairs at Birch Lane Elementary School; Brian Sturges will donate paint.

Richelle Donaldson and Marjorie Maxwell are working to bring some holiday gifts to the 63 emotionally disturbed boys, age 6 to 17, who live at the Families First campus in Davis. Richelle has a list of gifts or ways to contribute funds for the gifts; Marjorie is selling frozen cookies for use at Families First.

UCD Womens Basketball Coach Sandy Simpson

Sandy Simpson, longtime UC Davis Women's basketball coach, was the luncheon speaker. The team's record on his watch (now in its second decade) is 206 wins and 133 losses. Athletic Director Greg Warzecka, introducing Simpson, said it's a record for any UCD head coach.

Simpson said that over the weekend the team lost to Stanford by 25 points. He considered that a significant achievement, because the Stanford women's basketball team is probably the "best team that UCD will ever play" and currently leads its league. In such matchups he encourages players to "focus on victories within the game" and find satisfaction in how their strategies and efforts kept the winner's margin low.

He also talked about how the team has changed the past couple of years as UCD sports moved from Division II to Division I. Since scholarships can now be offered to incoming players, the team has a lot more members who were the top players on their high school teams. This has brought a new challenge to his work as coach.

Bill Streng spoke up to encourage attendance at the womens basketball games. He said if any Rotarian buys a ticket, attends, and feels like they didn't get their money's worth, he'll reimburse the cost of the ticket.