## Weekly Programs

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## Meals on Wheels

*If you swap dates, contact Dave Scheiber at (530) 758-8440*

*Please arrive at 10:30 am*

**Coordinator:** Paul Hart  
5/4: R. Alston & B. Horsfield  
5/5: A. Mamidi & G. Jayaweera

**Coordinator:** Nicole Davis  
5/11: B. Johnston & D. Kessler  
5/12: B. King & R Fisher

**Coordinator:** Dave Scheiber  
5/18: D. Labadie & P. Lacoste  
5/19: D. Macko & A. Mamidi

**Coordinator:** Jeff Stromberg  
5/25: M. Mansfield & K. McNay  
5/26: P. McReynolds & J. Nitzkowski

**Coordinator:** Randy Alston  
6/1: M. Peterson & L. Portillo  
6/2: K. Resler & S. Richter

## Upcoming Events

- **May 20, 2017:** Ribs and Rotary BBQ fundraiser, Central Park
- **June 10-14, 2017:** Rotary International Convention, Atlanta, Ga.

## News & Notes

**Monday, April 24, 2017**

Visiting Rotarian was Uchai, a veterinarian from Nigeria; guest of Rotarian Rich Rose was Tim Ainsworth, recently retired CEO of Sacramento Superior Court, and guest of John Thayer was Mark Kisting of First Northern Bank.

Judy Wolf introduced representatives of several Yolo County organizations partially funded by the Big Night Child Abuse Prevention fund raiser: Cameron Handley of Multidisciplinary Interview Center; Natalie Audia of Yolo County Children’s Alliance, who accepted a check for $13,000; and Heather Sleuther of Yolo Crisis Nursery, who received a check for $18,000 which will help with their playground renovations.

Nomination forms for Rotarian of the Year and the Service Above Self Awards were distributed by Jonathan Bayliss.

Bill Hollingshead talked about the Polio Plus Program.

Yvonne Clinton and Jonathan Bayliss are circulating a giant get well card for Bill Roe.

Sgt. Bruce Hartshouge recognized JD Denton (two mentions in Davis Enterprise on same day); Les Portillo (National Almond Day); Brian Horsfield (wife’s letter to Enterprise editor re: leaf piles); Grace Chen and Jennifer Chen (for the last name they share); Mohini Jain (for babysitting her three grandchildren (7, 5 and 1 1/2) for a week); and Jeff Stromberg (for his new electric powered cargo bike).

### Davis Schools – Madhavi Sunder, School Board Member and UCD Law Professor

Speaker Madhavi Sunder was introduced by Mohini Jain. Sunder is Associate Dean of UCD Law School, and a member of the Davis School District Board since 2014. She is a graduate of Harvard University and Stanford Law School.

Sunder went over some basic facts about Davis schools: 8,700 K-12 students; 20 schools (9 elementary, 4 junior high schools, 4 high schools); magnet programs (Montessori, Spanish Immersion, gifted).

She said that district personnel take very seriously “education of the whole child.” This means not just academic education, but dealing with the social and emotional needs of kids as well. Recent Davis work to do so includes increased counselor and school nurse staffing in the junior high schools; delaying junior high and senior high daily start times to 8:30 and 8:15, in keeping with recent sleep deprivation research; plans for a new “all student” center on the Davis High School campus.

In response to a question about charter schools, Sunder said that the Davis district in recent years has had no charter school proposals because its programs are successful, what she called a “destination district.” Davis schools are well thought of, so people in other communities want their children to go to school here, and locals don't want to “escape” the public schools to a charter or by use of vouchers. In fact, about 10% of Davis pupils are here on inter-district transfers. These students don't replace Davis students, they just fill spaces available because local-resident enrollment has declined in recent years. About half of the transfer students have at least one parent who works in Davis.

Sunder also noted that state funding for schools is set by formulas that advantage low-income and low-achievement districts. Because Davis is neither, the district receives from the state about $7,200 per pupil per year, but the state average is about $9,000. Fortunately parcel taxes approved by Davis voters since 1984 almost completely make up the difference. Still, partly because state support lags, it is hard for Davis to pay teacher salaries that are comparable to nearby districts.

She also gave tribute to volunteers -- both parents and teachers -- who staff after-school programs in physical education, art and music, none of which are state-funded at the elementary school level.

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