



Davis Rotary Newsletter

The Noon Club, est. 1926

March 13, 2023



President Peter Leon-Guerrero

P.O. Box 185, Davis, CA 95617

Weekly Programs

March 13 – TBA

March 20 “Natalie’s Corner”, In honor of Natalie Corona. Anne Brunette and Lois Wolk.

March 27 - TBA

Meals on Wheels

03/16 Coord: Paul Hart
Louise Ferguson
Mark Berman

03/23 Coord: Dave Scheiber
Bob Gregorie
Andrew Dowling

03/30 Coord: John Vaughn
Bruce Hartsough
Brian Horsfield

04/6 Coord: John Siemens
Jeff Kowes
Jen Kukis

04/13 Coord: Jen Kukis
Paul Lacoste
Dean Labadie

04/20 Coord: Allan Telford
Peter Leon-Guerrero
David Macko

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www.friendsofvolomow.org

Upcoming Event’s

3/25 – 2023 Big Night Gala
6:30- 10:30 pm at El Macero Country Club.

Rotary District 5160 Learning & Leadership Development Activities:
North – 3/25 at Simpson College in Redding.
South – 4/15 at Rodriquez HS in Fairfield.

President’s Report & Announcements

March 6, 2023

Donna Presbys announced the venue for Big Night 2023 has changed, it is still on Saturday March the 25th, but it is now at El Macero Country Club from 6:30 to 10:30 pm.

Lou Below thanked everyone for the cards, calls and texts while he was recuperating!

Yvonne Clinton let the club know that fellow member **Jeff Kowes** is scheduled to have back surgery on March the 17th. We wish him a full and speedy recovery.

Weekly Raffle

Ted Puntillo was the lucky winner of lunch on the house, but was not able to locate the joker. \$550 plus awaits.

Sergeant’s Report

Srgt. Bruce Hartsough

***J D Denton & Mark Berman** – Both traveled recently in search of warmer weather – JD didn’t find it in AZ, Mark did in Buenos Aires and Santiago, where is daughter is studying abroad.

***Jim Willett** – Saw the best hoops game of his life when UCD beat Long Beach St. 93-92 in double overtime.

***Tim Ainsworth**-reported that the Davis High Men’s Soccer team just won the NorCal HS championship game, **Paul Lacoste’s** son is on the squad.

***Marjorie Hartsough** – Confirmed their backyard has lots of bird feeders, although keeping them full is getting expensive. But the calming sound of chirping is more than worth it!

***John Siemens** – Confirmed the University of Illinois AG researchers got a 25 mill USDA grant to explore converting food waste & swine

manure into pavement binding. Go figure!

“Yolo County ACE Update” by Assessor/Clerk Recorder/Elections Registrar Jesse Salinas.



Yes, it’s true, Jesse Salinas has held three jobs as one since 2016, one of the three county wide elected positions. In that time, he and his staff have been looking for and implementing efficiencies. As, **Assessor**, they maintain accurate property tax role. As of last June, total assessed property value of the 760,000 parcels in Yolo County was \$33.8 billion, of which \$10.3 billion was in Davis. Property taxes provide a stable source of revenue and make up 60% of the General Fund revenues for the County and 33% for the City. Recent tech advances include streamlined data sharing between the Records Office and the Assessors office using “Just Appraised” software.

In the **Clerk/Recorder’s Office**, illegal restrictive covenants on old Deeds and transfer records are being removed. The office spearheaded legislation to waive fees associated with these updates. Yolo County is a leader in the country in doing this.

In the **Elections Registrar Office**, the Voters Choice Act is being implemented. This entails offering more than six alternative voting locations as well as 16 ballot drop boxes. Every voter receives a ballot by mail and 85% of the ballots are now either mailed in or deposited in a drop box.



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