

IMAGINE

ROTARY

March 2023

THE **SLUICE BOX**

Imagine Rotary SERVICE Above Self March 8, 2023

Club & Meeting Information

MEETS EVERY THURSDAY AT NOON

Murphys Historic Hotel

457 Main Street, Murphys CA

Mailing: Angels-Murphys Rotary Club P.O. Box 1221 Murphys, CA 95247 209-278-0455 info@angelsmurphysrotary.com

Where to Make Up

West Calaveras Rotary: Thursdays, Noon, Thai House **Restaurant**, Valley Springs

San Andreas Rotary: 11:30 AM Wednesdays, Downstairs at Town Hall, 24 Church St. San Andreas

Attend a Board Meeting, Rotary Function or Online @ Rotary.org

All are Welcome

At this time we are meeting indoors in the upstairs Ballroom. Please contact us to inquire if we will be meeting upstairs, downstairs, outdoors, or off-site, or for information on attending via video. For other accommodations or questions, please call us at 209-278-0455.



THIS MONTH



A CELEBRATION OF HERITAGE

Angels-Murphys

Rotary

Club

- 12:15 Call Meeting to Order Flag Ceremony & Rotary 4-Way Test Welcome Guests & Rotarians **Recognition Wheel Announcements & Board Decisions** Happy Bucks & High 5's Lunch
- 12:45 Program/Guest Speaker
- 1:05 President's Reminders & Drawing
- 1:15 Thought for the Day / Adjourn Meeting

Program Schedule:

Mar 9: Jeff Robertson, Retired Foreign Service Officer

Mar 16: Students of the Month

Mar 18: Murphys Irish Day – Green Hair & Beads for Interact!

Mar 23: Firefighters of the Year

Mar 30: **OFFSITE 5:00 PM** – Club Social at The 19th Hole in Avery

CURRENT PROJECT: Rotarians are just ordinary people doing extraordinary things by working together.



Every year we don the green and join the throng of those celebrating our Irish heritage. We also fondly remember our Sergeant-at-Arms King McPherson, whose birthday was on St. Paddy's. We'll have some fun selling beads, tshirts and painting folks' hair, mustaches, even



their dogs green for the day. This is a FUNraiser for Bret Harte Interact, to support their community service project of choice. Sign up and join in the merriment on Sat. 3/18 in front of Black Sheep Winery! Rotary tees only \$20!

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Angels Camp & Murphys, California

Club Leadership 2022-2023

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President:	Paula Cobbett
President-Elect:	David Stormont
Secretary:	Omar Mansour
Treasurer:	Jerry Lucas
Sergeant at Arms:	Louie Clark
Past President:	Scott Nanik

DIRECTORS/COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

International Srvc.: Roger Huddlestone	
Community Service:	Sabrina Julian
Club Service:	Jim Bailey
Public Image Chair:	Scott Nanik
Vocational Service:	Donna Stevenson
Youth Services Chair	: Jenny Baxter
Foundation Chair:	David Stormont
Membership Chair:	Chuck Milazzo

Rotary Intl. President: Jennifer Jones *District 5220 Governor:* Asst. District Governor:

Chris Daly Open



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Snow Days!







Milestones aplenty: Bert was awarded his 8th Paul Harris Fellowship and pin; Sharon received her blue badge; new members Pam and Fred joined the club; the Wheel of Misfortune was finally located and spun by many for various honors and offenses!

\$100 Bell Ringers: Scott for becoming a grandpa; Roger to try to change his luck with the Wheel; Chuck for his and Bette's 60th anniversary; Louie for winning the Hospice Valentine's Day Raffle!

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT . . .



Mike Hopper, dedicated Ranger, introduced us to Indian Grinding Rock State Historic Park in Pine Grove. This special place, located in a natural crater, was where Miwuk people gathered and ground acorns, and wintered on the property even after gold rush settlers bought the land. The Miwuk partnered with the State to build a roundhouse and still return each September for "Big

Time", a reunion and celebration of their culture. The park has year-round camping, hiking trails, petroglyphs and mortar holes, and a museum.

Baby News! Within days of each other, two future Rotarians entered the world - Brian's baby boy Jaxson and Scott's new granddaughter Avery. Congratulations, proud parents and grandparents!

Erin Groble zoomed in from The Rotary Foundation HQ in Evanston to share with us how the Annual Fund and Endowments are funded, and

encourage all to consider various options in planned giving to RI. A charitable gift annuity can be customized for income, tax benefits, and choice of programs to support.



At our Valentine's luncheon many of our sweethearts joined us, while we blushingly heard excerpts from Jenny's cookbook, "A Food Affair". It's now available on Amazon!







Rebecca

Callen, Angels Camp City Manager enlightened us about many projects going on in the city. She detailed the CalTrans roundabout project, the Habitat for Humanity workforce housing development, and multi-million dollar grants for infrastructure and recreation (parks and trails).



Membership Director Chuck Milazzo inspired us to all help the club grow – it presents opportunities for service and to make our community a better place to live. Use the tools available to invite great people to join us.

Jenny Baxter and project donor Kerry Heckman treated more than 70 local folks to candy and cookies with

Valentines for Vets!





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Angels Camp & Murphys, California OTHER HAPPENINGS:



Kuddles for Kids – Jenny Baxter's new program is now in its second year. First graders from Mark Twain collected stuffed toys, which we delivered to the Sheriff's Office, CHP and Angels PD to give to children who are removed from their homes or involved in accidents or other traumatic events.



Dictionaries for Third Graders – We give a beautiful, hardback illustrated dictionary to every third grade student in our various schools. There's nothing like turning the pages of a real book!

Meals on Wheels . . . Our Meals on Wheels Fundraising

Campaign is continuing through Spring, with a goal of raising \$5,000 from the community and matching it from our Club!

The coveted black marble escaped the grasp of both Pam and Omar, and the \$25 was won twice by guests. *The Super Pot rolls to \$670!*





Up Next:

Get ready for SHRED FEST on Earth Day,

April 22! From 9 to Noon we will have

the massive Shredding Truck in the big parking lot in Murphys, and help community members shred their old documents. We will also collect electronic waste for recycling or destruction. See our Shred Fest flyer for more details!

Murphys Irish Day is up soon . . . be ready with your new & improved "Love Murphys" Rotary T-shirt for only \$20.



Order from Sabrina!



OUR CAUSES Rotary is dedicated to seven areas of focus to build international relationships, improve lives, and create a better world to support our peace efforts and end polio forever.

PROVIDING CLEAN WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE: *Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life.*



When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly, and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families.

HOW ROTARY MAKES HELP HAPPEN Through water, sanitation, & hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary's people of action mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.



What we do!

Angels-Murphys Rotary Club holds great fundraisers so that we can do good in the community! As a small club we do so much every year, and plan to:

- Award \$6000+ in scholarships to graduating seniors
- Give winter coats, backpacks & school supplies to local children & illustrated dictionaries to every third grader
- Provide items of comfort to abused children
- Send juniors to leadership camp & honor top students
- Raise emergency funds for disaster victims
- Bring joy and gifts to our elders with Santa for Seniors and Valentines for Vets
- Contribute to ongoing improvements in our towns & parks
- Foster the spirit of service in Bret Harte's Interact Club
- Support the Senior Center's food pantry & Meals-on-Wheels
- Hold a free community shredding & electronics recycling event
- Collect and repair wheelchairs for the disabled
- Pack & ship 2500+ pairs of shoes for repair by Soles4Souls
- Contribute to Rotary International's Seven Areas of Focus, including the worldwide eradication of polio
- Build goodwill in the community and friendships with one another – visit us at a meeting to find out more!