



This Week

Meeting Date and Place

June 5, 2008 at 12:15p.m.Faith Episcopal Church

Words of Wisdom

Words of Wisdom: **Gary Reynolds**; Greeter **Jim Buckley**;

Program

Solar Energy - **Luke Miller** at Faith Episcopal Church

Last Week



SHINGLE SPRINGS RANCHERIA & THE RED HAWK CASINO:

Stephanie Cuellar, Tribal Council Representative for the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians and **Mike Sproull**, their Community Relations Representative, were on hand to tell about the Shingle Springs Rancheria and the soon to be opened Red Hawk Casino.

Stephanie gave some background on her tribe and talked about current programs and facilities at

the Rancheria. Of the approximately 500 members of the tribe, 108 members are currently living on the Rancheria. The Rancheria houses playgrounds, a library and community center, tribal offices, a fire station and an EPA Building. The fire station, with two trucks, is meant primarily for fire protection at the Rancheria, but has been made available to fight fires on nearby properties. Plans are in place to build a health clinic and additional housing for tribal members on their land on the south side of the freeway. Stephanie emphasized the importance of keeping Rancheria operations separate from the Casino in order to preserve their Indian culture. For further information about the Rancheria, check their web sites at: <http://www.shinglespringsrancheria.com/index.html>.

Mike showed pictures of the casino construction which is well underway. Scheduled for opening late this year, the casino will have 2,000 slots machines, progressive jackpots, gaming tables including blackjack, poker games and pai gow, a high stakes gaming room, six restaurants, a retail center, childcare, a family fun center and covered lighted parking. Built into the side of a hill, people will enter on the third and top floor which will hold the main gaming room. The second floor will be non-smoking and will house the child care facility and family fun center. Additionally, the second floor will have two non-smoking restaurants and a gaming area. The tribe has contracted with **Lakes Entertainment** to operate the casino for the first seven years. The first floor will house offices and employee facilities and will not be open to the public. For further information about the casino, go to: <http://www.redhawkcasino.com/index.html>

For Rotarians, an exciting prospect of the new casino will be the potential for partnering with the Rancheria on projects beneficial to the community. Stephanie and Mike acknowledge that there has been community opposition to having a casino in Shingle Springs. Now that the casino is a reality, it's

time to move on and they are striving to make sure that they are accepted as good neighbors and members of the community. The Shingle Springs Rancheria Community Network was created by the Tribal Council to bridge communications between the local Miwok Tribe and the community. To insure community input, they established a community advisory committee. The composition of this committee will be community members at large that come from a wide variety of focus areas throughout El Dorado County. Members of the community wishing to participate on the committee or wanting further information about the Community Network should go to:
<http://www.ssrcommunitynetwork.org/index.asp>

The Rotary Club of Cameron Park is looking forward to working with the Rancheria for the benefit of the community. The tribe offers tours of the casino site on Thursdays and the club is exploring the possibility of coordinating a Rotary meeting with a Casino site tour in the near future.

Presidents Corner



PRESIDENTIAL CITATION:

After serving under three consecutive club presidents, Secretary **Maggie Davis** deserves all the recognition she gets. Like those in the position before him, President **Gary Reynolds** knows his job was made considerably easier with Maggie's support. President Gary gave a token of that appreciation in the form of a Presidential Citation for Maggie's hard work. Congratulations Maggie, you more than earned it.

WINE AT TOWN CENTER:

The biggest fund raising event of the year is coming up fast and a few tickets remain. Anyone interested in attending and bringing guests should contact **Debra**

Miller this week if they do not already have tickets. Anyone with outstanding unsold tickets must return them to Debra this week or be billed for them on your next invoice.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS – Adopt a Soldier:

The El Dorado County Association of Realtors is sponsoring an "Adopt-a-Soldier" program to let the troops in Iraq and Afghanistan know that they are supported at home. **Courtney Manhold** was on hand to talk about the program and elicit donations. There are two ways to adopt a soldier: donate \$10 to sponsor a soldier or donate \$100 to sponsor a squad. Soldiers with roots in El Dorado County are sent "care" packages, newspapers and cards. The Rotary Club of Placerville donated \$850 for this program and challenged Cameron Park to do the same. Initial donations on the spot reached over \$600. Anyone interested in supporting this program can contact Courtney at (530) 903-2010.

Noted Rotarians



HAPPY BUCKS

Super Bell Ringer, **Chris Moore** is celebrating another successful year as Principal of **Ponderosa High School**. In addition to continuing their extraordinary academic achievements, they added several athletic titles this year. Graduation was sweet and Chris contributed \$20 to show that he is rightfully proud of his students.

Bob Clarke and his wife Joanne are off to their home in Hawaii where they will be having dinner with **Doug** and **Dottie Bisbee** this weekend. For such good times, Bell Ringer Bob offered \$10.

President **Gary Reynolds** proudly announced that his granddaughter Dallas is graduating from grammar school this week. Being a Bell Ringer didn't stop this proud grandpa from contributing ten happy bucks.

Another proud grandfather, **Mike Collom** is also a god father to his new granddaughter and he paid \$20 to talk about her Christening.

Birthdays in June

Jim Bowen
Vickie Christensen-McLain
Chuck LePere
Verne Sanders
Larry Shuler
-----Spouses-----
Helen Cort
Linda Dossey
Jane Engel
Dian Hansen
Craig Sandberg

Anniversaries in June

Coy & Cheryl Baugh
Max & Emanuela Callaghan
Bob & Joanne Clarke
Anne & George Eckert
Fritz & Jane Engel
Ben & Gina Foulk
Rube & Dee Jessop
Steve & Judy Long
Debra & Luke Miller
Julie & Craig Sandberg
David & Suzanne Tavernetti
Terry & Heidi Wilson

Upcoming Calendar

June 5, 2008 - Solar Energy - **Debra & Luke Miller** at Faith Episcopal Church
June 12, 2008 - Tentative: Charity Ride at Faith Episcopal Church
June 19, 2008 - Long Term Care - **Iain Marshall** and **Jana Ellerman** at Faith Episcopal Church
June 26, 2008 - Rotary Projects - **Gary Reynolds**

Upcoming Words of Wisdom

The Last Word



CAMERON PARK ROTARY ENDOWMENT FUND:

Mike Collom reports that contributions to the Endowment fund exceed \$22,000. We are over 20% of the way to securing the entire \$100,000 pledged by **Darol Rasmussen** to build this fund for scholarships. Have you written a check lately?

DATES TO REMEMBER:

June 10, 2008 - Monthly Board meeting at Kobe`s restaurant at noon. **NOTE** this is not the first Tuesday.

June 14, 2008 - **Wine at Town Center**

June 15 - 18, 2008 - Rotary International Convention in Los Angeles

Gear Up is written by **Jim Buckley** and **Art Cort**. Photography and artwork through the talents of **Mike Neal**.