

DISTRICT 5160 www.rotary5160.org CLUB 470 - ORGANIZED APRIL 29, 1926 www.woodlandrotary.org

Meeting Date: June 1, 2021

## Today's Meeting



President Tabb Randolph, beginning his last month as our fearless leader opened the meeting by having Blair Voelz lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Rotary singers Marc Faye, Steve

Venables, and Dan Stroski once again led us in Rotary Grace.



Tabb thanked Yvette Roy for Meals on Wheels last week. Tabb's words of wisdom, spoken by Pablo Picasso, "Learn the rules like a pro so you can break them".

Visiting Rotarians and Guests Ernie Hodges introduced his wife Kay. George Burger was joined by his son Jeff. Don Huff III was present via zoom. Mahlon

# Whittle also joined via zoom.









### **Announcements**



Tony Delevati announced that the Demotion would be Friday, June 25, 2021 at the Hotel Woodland. Cocktails begin at 5:30, with dinner



at 6:30

Incoming president, Dan Stroski announced that Jayne Williams will be the Youth Exchange Coordinator next year. She will also work with Gary Wegener on the Interact Club. Dan also asked that all Directors who want to stay on (if their term

is not up they have to resign not to automatically be on) to let him know.



Mark Ullrich said United Way is having a webinar on the joining to the Woodland United Way with Sacramento and on the \$10,000,000. Donation from McKenzie Scott.

Blair Voelz reported that the Kenya Project has planted 1,000 trees.

#### **Anniversaries**



Gary Bunch has been married to Kathy for 43 years as of June 3<sup>rd</sup>. He termed her the "Most fortunate woman in the World".

Lisa Martinez celebrated 16 years with Larry Dunham on



June 4<sup>th</sup>.



Birthdays We had no birthdays this week.



#### Recognition



Dan Stroski had the task of extracting hard earned dollars



from us.

First, Dan had all veterans stand and we gave them a round of applause. Next, Happy Time: Mark Ullrich was particularly happy George Burger talked him into getting a smoker. After several attempts Mark got it right with some pork chops.

Blair Voelz was happy to see the new Woodland High School scoreboard we



paid for on KCRA TV.

Tony Delevati was happy to be back after missing a couple of meetings due to too much work.

Dan's theme was Memorial Day. His first victim, Derrek Kaff: Arlington became the National Cemetary on June 4, 1864, whose house and plantation was it

before? Derrek did not know, but Tim Pettit knew that it was Robert E. Lee's home.

Marie Galbo knew that the Tomb of the Unkown Soldier was established November 11, 1921.

Yvette Roy knew half of how American Flags should be displayed on Memorial Day: Half mast until noon, and then full until sundown.

Brian Dwyer did not know that freed slaves in Charleston, South Carolina on May 1, 1865 held one of the final ceremonies to honor Civil War Dead.

Jayne Williams knew that the Lincoln Memorial opened May 30, Memorial Day, 1922.

George Burger did not know that the names of spouses are on the back of tombstones at Arlington.

Roger Kohlmeier did not know that approximately 620,000 died in the Civil War.

## Rags to Riches



Marc Faye, with \$477 on the line won a free lunch.

## Today's Program



Our own, Woodland Police Chief Derrek Kaff, was our speaker. Derrek discussed the status of crime in Woodland.

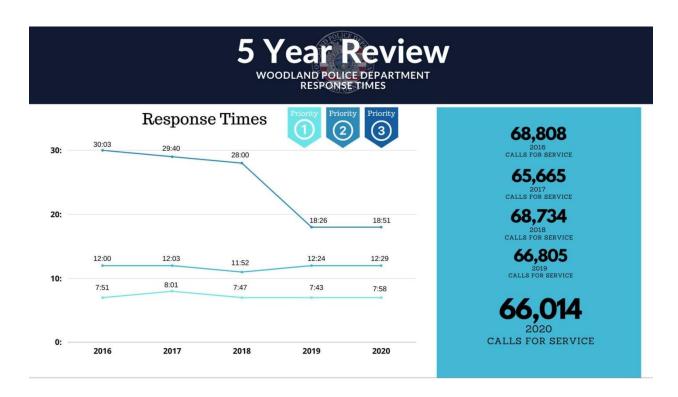


Derrek began his presentation by stating why he is upbeat about the status of law enforcement in Woodland. A member of the community commented that "Moral is back". A Junior officer said that "I feel called for the job". A new recruit could have gone anywhere, but the only place he wants to work is Woodland.

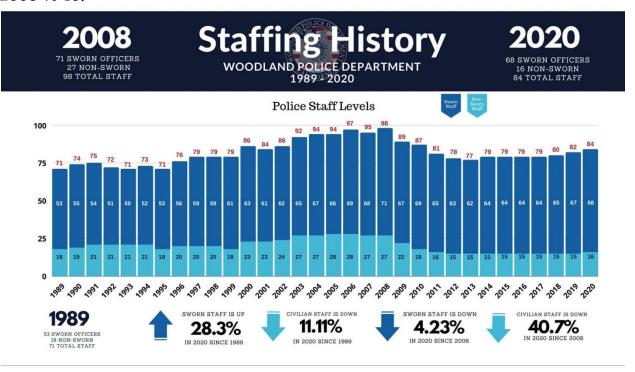
In 2020 there were 66,014 calls for service. This is the number for communities twice the size of Woodland. The first priority is violent crimes in progress and injury accidents. Second priority includes in progress property crimes, W&I code sec. 5150 (mentally ill who are a danger to self or others) incidents in progress, and non injury accidents. Third priority includes crime scene investigation when suspect not present, stolen vehicles, and alarm response. Last

on the totem poll are noise complaints and parking violations.



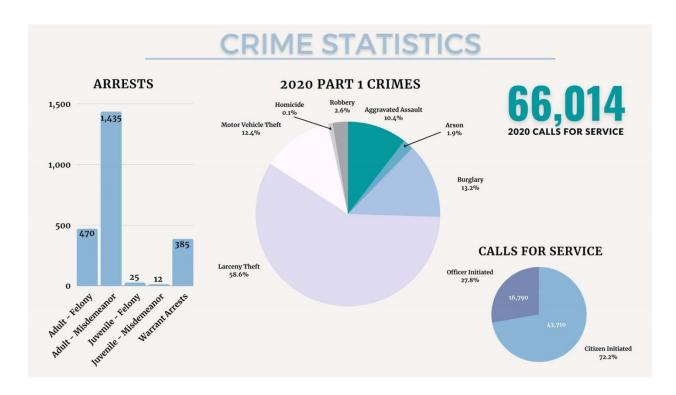


People in the community are most concerned with the homeless and traffic. Call volume appears to be on the increase. There were 6,251 calls for service in April of 2021 as compared to 4,930 in 2020. Staffing is down, however. There are 68 officers, down from a high of 71. Civilian staffin is down from a high of 26 in



Most arrests are primarily adult misdemeanor arrests. Yolo County is one of the few counties in the nation to actively divert juveniles out of the criminal justice system. Juvenile arrests are down 90% from 10 years ago.





Police are on Social Media. On social media a survey showed that the major concerns of the residents were homelessness and traffic.



There is a homeless team in place. One member of the team received roses from a homeless individual whose life she saved.

The Explorer Program for kids still exists. Brian, pictured below, wants a college degree and then wants to return to Woodland Police.



Communication with the community is a priority. Derrek will present a strategic plan to the Chief's Advisory Board for review and comment. Unidos provides a connection to the community. The citizen's police academy still exists. It provides an opportunity to learn what being a police officer is all about. Woodland PD has applied for a grant from ABLE, Active Bystanders for Law Enforcement. This is a program started by Georgetown to train people how to communicate their disagreement with police procedure.





<u>Upcoming Programs</u> This week coming up, we will hear from Woody and Rebecca Fridae - Woody is our current Rotary District 5160 Assistant District Governor. Woody and Rebecca have a keen interest in the Country of Romania, Woody's father's country of birth. Woody and Rebecca spent 5 weeks in Romania back in late 2018 and have also spent a substantial amount of time studying the Romanian Revolution and have put together a presentation titled "Romania's Painful Birth of Freedom".

See more program listings on the Club's website at: <a href="http://www.woodlandrotary.org/Programs.cfm">http://www.woodlandrotary.org/Programs.cfm</a>