

## Redding Newcomers and Friends

### General Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2026

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Andi Winters, President

Andi Winters, President, welcomed everyone; asked members present to silence cell phones and led the group in the flag salute.

Freddie Martin, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, introduced the guest speaker, Joshua Grigsby of Dignity Health Connected Living, Presentation was conducted followed by a brief question and answer session.

Andi thanked the ladies from Pick of the Vine and Lucky Ladies Pinochle for being the greeters for today's meeting. She then asked any visiting non-members or new members to stand and give a brief self-introduction. They were also invited to stay for a brief New Member Informational Meeting immediately following the general meeting. She reminded members present of the Red Apple and cookies for sale, both of which are donations for scholarships. She then informed members that a Nominating Committee will be needed to handle the nominations for new board members for the 2026-2027 year. We will need a new President and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President.

Reports:

Secretary – Trish Sakata (in leu of Judy Kensington) informed the group that the November Board Meeting Minutes have not been approved as of yet, but as soon as they are both them and the November General Meeting minutes will be posted to the web site.

1<sup>st</sup> VP – Trish Sakata had no update

Treasurer – Tammy Douse reported the following information for December, 2026: expenses paid were \$3366.26 (Elks Lodge \$375, Gaia Hotel deposit \$1000, Licata Catering \$1870, Anderson Trophy \$23.82, Christmas Charities expenses \$97.44); Deposits were \$1583.50 (Red Apple \$29, Memberships \$107.50, Christmas Charities \$1347, Christmas Charities Donation \$100); current Scholarship Account has a current balance of \$2288.07

Membership – Patti Susini reported that current membership is 251 members. Her goal is to reach 260 members by the end of February,

Parliamentarian – Mickey Martin informed the group that she is currently working on updating the duties of the Executive Board.

Activities - Vicki Burrows gave an update on the various organizational activities.

Community Table – Louise Wilson gave a brief description of a variety of activities currently occurring or coming up in the Redding area.

Break – 15 minutes

Reports (continued):

Scholarships – Sharon Salpas informed the group that the application deadline is April 1, 2026.

We Can Make a Difference – Joyce Menta informed the group that today's collection for the Pioneer School Store totaled \$988 which included gift cards totaling \$225 and cash/checks totaling \$ 763. Immediately after this announcement more monetary donations were given but no new total was announced. In March the donations will go to Exodus Farms which stated they need snacks but money is always welcome.

Welcome Mat – Romano Bowling had no update

Website – Carol Skills had no update

Sunshine – Sharon Chestnut stated that she had sent out 12 cards to members in December.

Christmas Charities – Linda Odegard gave a brief update on the event and stated that a brief recap will be included in the February Welcome Mat.

Fashion Show – Sue Agnew informed the members that the Fashion Show will take place on April 23, 2026, at the Gaia Hotel. Tickets for this event will go on sale beginning in March, 2026.

Birthdays for both December and January were acknowledged.

Mystery Prize – Sharon Sparks provided the prizes and 4 were raffled off.

Andi gave out the following information: The next Board Meeting will take place on February 17, 2026, and will be hosted by Mickey Martin. Please RSVP. Next General Meeting will be held on February 26, 2026, at the Elks Lodge.

Lousie Wilson read the membership a story.

Andi adjourned the meeting.