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President Geoff Wiggs presents Paul Harris recognition pin to Mike Telleen

Member **Mike Telleen**, a partner with San Mateo law firm Carr McClellan P.C., was recognized by President **Geoff Wiggs** for his continued support of The Rotary Foundation, with a recognition pin, with a ruby adornment.

Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 or more to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. It was established in 1957 to show appreciation for and encourage substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships. At the International Assembly in 1979, then-RI President-elect James Bomar challenged each Rotary club to make one non-Rotarian a Paul Harris Fellow. (continued on page 2)

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The Rotary Club of Pikesville, Maryland, USA, responded by making a donation in the name of Mother Teresa in 1980. The entertainer Pearl Bailey also became a Paul Harris Fellow through a joint effort of the Rotary clubs in Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Many other notable figures have been named as Paul Harris Fellows, including U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, U.S. astronaut James Lovell, UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and Jonas Salk.

Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) Contributions still sought

Foundation Chair **Jack Murray** thanked all of those who have given their checks, or otherwise made a contribution, to The Rotary Foundation, and asked everyone who hasn't yet gotten him the tickets filled out for the grand drawing get them in as soon as possible.

Annual club Dues are due

President **Geoff** and treasurer **Karen Haas-Foletta** passed out statements for our annual dues some time ago. Dues are unchanged for this year: \$295.00. Our dues are a critical part of the club operations budget, so if you haven't yet gotten up to date, please make your check payable to "Rotary Club of Belmont & Redwood Shores" or something similar, and get it in to **Karen** as soon as possible.

Jacaranda Health

In East Africa, rates of maternal mortality are over 100 times higher than they are in Europe. And in Kenya, women regularly report mistreatment and verbal abuse by hospital staff. It is in this context that the social enterprise Jacaranda Health has emerged. The company is working to provide a new model of quality and affordable patient-centered care that can save lives and revolutionize a healthcare system.

Jacaranda Health's mission is to change the way that maternity care is provided in Africa. The World Health Organization estimates that maternal mortality can be reduced by 75% with access to decent quality maternity care. Jacaranda is building a network of clinics to provide world-class care for low-income women, delivering clinical, technology, and business innovations designed with mothers in mind. The model consists of mobile clinics and small maternity hospitals which make care accessible and affordable in urban areas - revenues from clients sustain the operating costs of the network. (continued on p. 3)



In 2011, Jacaranda Health opened its first mobile clinic to provide affordable, high-quality antenatal care to women in peri-urban communities; the following year, Jacaranda expanded its services and moved to a fixed clinic. The organization has developed a strong set of protocols for providing antenatal, obstetric and postnatal care, which are delivered at the clinic along with family planning services. As of February 2014, the Jacaranda maternity clinic staff included nurses, midwives, and support staff - there are not currently any physicians working at Jacaranda. The organization provides clients with highquality individual antenatal care provided by nurse midwives. Jacaranda's detailed antenatal protocols are adapted from the World Health Organization's 2006 recommendations on maternity care.

Massimo Prati, Chief Administrative Officer for Jacaranda Health, provided a detailed overview of the group's work in Kenya, and was assisted by Lindsay Sanders, Communications and Development Manager.