# "service above selfie"

Hayward Rotary Club and Foundation have spearheaded dozens of beautification and capital improvement projects over the years. We recently partnered with Hayward Downtown Business Improvement Association to create and install welcome banners in prominent locations along B Street. The banners were created and installed by Hayward Rotarians to help beautify and celebrate Hayward's downtown retail and entertainment district.



Hayward Rotarians Kim Huggett, Sean Reinhart, Matt Spielberg, Rod Andazola, and President AT Stephens pause to take a selfie after installing a beautiful new banner across a chain link fence and empty lot on B Street. The new welcome banner was installed to replace an older banner (also placed by Hayward Rotary Club), to help keep B Street looking fresh and clean.



#### CALL TO ORDER

President AT Stephens called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Michael Mahoney, followed by the Patriotic Song, "My Country 'Tis of Thee". President AT provided the Thought for the Day: "Nations, like stars, are entitled to eclipse. All is well, provided the light returns and the eclipse does not become endless night. The reappearance of the light is the same as the survival of the soul." --Victor Hugo

#### INTRODUCTIONS

Janiene Langford introduced Visiting Rotarians and we also welcomed many esteemed guests. We welcomed all in traditional Rotary fashion with the rousing rendition of our favorite song: Hello, Hello, Hello!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Back-to-School Child Spree recap. President AT provided a recap of Saturday's Child Spree back-to-school

shopping event. The event was a smash hit, especially for the 97 children and their thankful parents. Lindsey

Vien and Kenny Altenburg received kudos for co-chairing the project, with able assists from George Pacheco, Pam Russo, Rod Andazola, "Hacksaw" Rick Hansen, Sid Hamadeh, Hayward Police Youth and Family Services Bureau, Friends of Hayward Library, and of course our host JCPenney Southland Mall.

We received a charming letter of thanks for the Child Spree event from the general manager of JCPenney. President AT read the letter for the Club to hear, as follows: "Children shopping spree partners, thank you so very much for allowing this JCPenney store to be a part of these children's day. What a Blessing! Please keep us in mind for any future shopping events and please share any photos or newsletters that you may have from this event, Take care and again, Thank you, Connie, JCPenney Hayward"

### GREETERS



Matt Spielberg



Kim Huggett



- <u>Gift Card raffle.</u> JCPenney generously provided extra gift cards for the Child Spree event in case of overages, resulting in a stack of surplus cards with nominal amounts totaling \$800 overall. "Hacksaw" Rick Hansen called for an auction to recoup their value and support more of Hayward Rotary's charitable work. The auctioneering was intense, with two lots of cards on the block. Robin Wilma and an anonymous bidder prevailed, generously bidding more than the cards' value in the space of a few minutes. Thanks, all!
- Volunteers are needed to assist as "greeters." The job is simple and fun - welcoming club members, visitors, guests, and potential members is a key component of keeping our club inviting and friendly. Plus, it's a great place to hear all the latest news. Sign up with **Anna May**.
- We also need for more High Gear Editors. Our club has kept records
  of our meetings for 96 years running, and the weekly newsletter
  keeps us all up to date and engages others. Please sign up with

**Francisco Zermeño** for a shift today.

- Banner upgrade. President
  AT announced a service
  project to replace the
  welcome banners on the B
  Street and parking lot fence.
  The previous banners have
  become torn, and we have
  purchased new banners to
  replace them. Five or six
  volunteers are needed to
  assist with this project and
  keep B Street beautiful on
  Thursday morning 8/24 at
  8:00 a.m.
- Club Project Guidelines.
   President AT issued a reminder that October 1st is



President AT Stephens gets to work on the new Rotary Club welcome banner



the deadline for current members to propose a Club project. Our Club Board and the Hayward Rotary Foundation have endorsed guidelines to evaluate proposals for the Club Project, also known as the President's Project. Here are the guidelines again:

#### GUIDELINES FOR CLUB PROJECTS UTILIZING HAYWARD ROTARY FOUNDATION FUNDS IN 2016-17 AND 2017-18

The following guidelines shall be used for the evaluation of proposals for Club Projects in the 2016-2017 and the 2017-2018 Rotary years:

- Following the Bylaws of the Hayward Rotary Foundation, Article 2, Section 1:
   "...for charitable, scientific, education or public purposes to organizations, institutions or individuals primarily located in the Hayward community, but not limited to the incorporated territory of the city of Hayward"
- 2. A project shall be focused on serving youth, families or seniors to assist in literacy, health, housing, education, work force development, or assistance to underserved populations.
- A project should leverage partnerships between the club and other organizations within the Hayward Area, i.e. Hayward Firefighters local 1909, HARD, Hayward POA, Rowell Ranch Rodeo Association, HUSD, City of Hayward, HAHS etc.
- 4. A project shall be sustainable and continue to serve beyond the year it is created and in the case of facilities have a process for ongoing maintenance funding. The organization's financial statement for the prior 2 complete years and the project budget shall be reviewed as part of the consideration process.
- 5. Ideally the funds for the project should be spent in and support Hayward businesses.
- 6. There should be recognition and signage to highlight Hayward Rotary Club and the Hayward Rotary Club Foundation.
- 7. In order to be eligible for Club Project funds, a Proposal must be sponsored/submitted to the Club Project Committee by an active Hayward Rotary Club member in good standing. Proposals not sponsored as stated above, shall not be considered for a Club Project, but instead referred to the club's Community Grants Committee.

These guidelines shall be used to evaluate proposals for the Club project funds available from the 2016-2017 and the 2017-2018 Rotary year. The deadline for submittal of proposals for these funds shall be October 1, 2017 and an appropriate announcement made to the club membership.

Submitted by the Club Projects Ad Hoc Committee of **Paul Martin, Andy Krake, Dennis Butler, Linda Granger,** and **Craig Judy** 

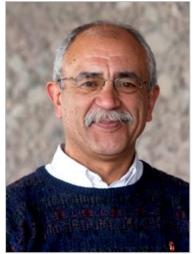
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#### FINES AND FOOLISHNESS

**Laurel Quirk** and **Vrushali Nanjundappa** served as Red Badge fine collectors. **President AT** served as Finemaster of the Week.

- Happy Anniversary to Outstanding Hayward Rotarian Paul "The Godfather" Martin and his wife Mary
   22 years! Wedded bliss fine issued!
- Craig Judy was fined, but the notetaker dropped his pencil and the charge was lost in time. Mystery fine levied!
- Francisco Zermeño joined Hayward Rotary Club four years ago this week, and the Club has benefitted greatly as a result. Thanks for being a member,
   Francisco! Good member fine issued in absentia!



Francisco Zermeño, Hayward Rotary member since 2013

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER - DR. NIDHI KHOSLA

**Janiene Langford** introduced our speaker, Dr. Nidhi Khosla, an Assistant Professor in the Department of Nursing and Health Sciences at CSU East Bay.

Dr. Khosla earned her Master in Public Health degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill under a Rotary World Peace Fellowship and a Certificate in International Development Policy from Duke University.

Dr. Khosla presented her experiences on becoming a Rotary World Peace Fellow. Her story was very informative and she explained how her experiences growing up in India informed her curiosity and academic pursuit in Public Health. "If you don't have peace, then public health is threatened." It was this principle that piqued Dr. Khosla's academic pursuit in public health.

Dr. Khosla segued into a brief lecture about her research in public health. In brief, she introduced the concept of "invisible forms of violence" and





Dr. Nidhi Khosla and President AT Stephens

she explained how invisible forms of violence can and do put communities, especially communities of color, at risk. Examples of invisible forms of violence are policies that make it difficult for individuals and communities to access health services and consequently make individuals and communities suffer more.

After taking a few questions, Dr. Khosla thanked the Rotary for their support for her research. **President AT** presented her with a new children's book that will be donated to Hayward Library in honor of her keynote talk.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**President AT** offered thanks to High Gear note taker **Mark Salinas** and greeters **Matt Spielberg** and **Kim Huggett**. He also thanked out keynote speaker Dr. Nidhi Khosla, and our Sergeant-at-Arms **Janiene Langford**. He rang the official Rotary Bell at 1:30 p.m. to conclude the meeting.



Mark Salinas, note taker for this issue of High Gear



#### **NEXT MEETING AUGUST 28 – CIRCUS VARGAS**

Next Monday 8/28, our featured speakers will be: Katya and Nelson

Quiroga, producers and co-owners of Circus Vargas. This extra- ordinary circus is in Hayward now, and they're back for an exclusive engagement with Hayward Rotary Club. What is circus life like? How do they learn to perform all those

amazing tricks? What makes Circus Vargas so unique and special among circus performances? What secrets lie beneath the tears of a clown? Learn the answers to these questions and more at the next Hayward Rotary Club luncheon, 12:00 noon on August 28. Guests are welcome – lunch is \$20 at the door.



## HAYWARD ROTARY CLUB CALENDAR



Aug. 28 Circus Vargas - Katya & Nelson Quiroga

Sept. 4 No meeting - Labor Day Holiday

Sept. 11 To be announced

Sept. 18 The Humane League - Zoe Novic

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