

Rotary Club of Hayward

HIGH GEAR



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GET IN GEAR

Rotarian **Larry Ratto**, right, goes over the shopping list with fellow Child Spree volunteers and participants. Hayward Rotary Club helped 121 Hayward children get the back-to-school gear they need to succeed in school.



Call To Order

President Sean Reinhart called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Immediate Past President Andy Krake**, followed the singing of the Patriotic Song – *America the Beautiful* – led by **Douglas den Hartog** accompanied on piano by **Chuck Horner**.

The thought for the day was provided by **Mark Salinas**:

"Barbecue might not be the road to world peace, but it's a start."

—Chef Anthony Bourdain

GREETERS



Mark Salinas



Rick Hansen

Introductions

Rick Hansen provided the introduction of Visiting Rotarians: Bob Goetsch, Educator from the Fremont Club and Bob Tucknott, Electrical Contractor with the Dublin Club.

Introduction of guests:

- **President Sean** introduced his guests Lindsey Vien, Education Services Manager; and Lara Franco, Administrative Assistant, both with the City of Hayward.
- **Douglas den Hartog** introduced Zip Wallace from Airport Appliance.
- **Freddye Davis** introduced Stephanie Gonzales, an intern working with **Freddye** through District Attorney Nancy O'Malley's office, and Todd Davis, **Freddye's** son and a candidate in the upcoming Hayward Unified School District board election.
- **Anna May** introduced Donna Jeffrey, Frank Goulart and Julie Machado, Larry Tan, Mike Tacconi and April Chan. Donna, Frank and Julie are real estate clients of **Anna**, Larry is a local appraiser, Mike works with the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District foundation, and April is an event planner.
- **Susan Sperling** introduced Matt Kritcher, Jeanne Wilson and Jennie Reyes, all from Chabot College. Matt is Vice President of Student Services, Jeanne is Dean of Special Services, and Jennie is a student.

Guests were welcomed with a round of Hello! Song led by **Douglas den Hartog** accompanied by **Chuck Horner** on piano.

Announcements

- **George Pacheco** reported on plans for the annual Child Spree event that will take place on Saturday, August 13, starting at 6:30 a.m. at JC Penney at Southland Mall. **George** noted that \$10,800 has been raised in donations in addition to \$3,000 in grants, exceeding the goal of \$13,000. Volunteers are still needed for the event and for filling backpacks at the store at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, August 12.
- **President Sean** announced that **Debby De Angelis**, our Outstanding Rotarian awardee, will be honored as Rotary's nominee at the city's annual Volunteer Recognition and Awards Dinner on Tuesday, October 4th at the Big White Tent at St. Rose Hospital. He also noted that **Chuck Horner** has been nominated to receive the Mayor's Award at the dinner.
- **President Sean** publicly acknowledged the good work of **Douglas den Hartog** as Membership Chair; and announced that the Youth and Family Services Bureau of the Hayward Police Department will celebrate its 40th anniversary with a barbecue at Weekes Park on Thursday, August 11 at 10:30 a.m.

Presentation of Paul Harris Fellowship

Debby De Angelis presented **Rick Hansen** with a Paul Harris Fellowship + 6 award and pin. Each Paul Harris Fellowship signifies \$1,000 in giving to the Rotary International Foundation. This is **Rick's** sixth award – thank you for your generous giving, **Rick**!



Debby De Angelis congratulates Rick Hansen

Fines and Foolishness

Red Badge members **Dan Goldstein** and **Kenny Altenberg** served as fine collectors.

- **Norman Garcia** was recognized for his birthday... but his fine was paid by **President Sean** in gratitude for **Norman's** work scheduling the Greeters each week. *Fine transferred!*
- **Bob Scheppler** was called up for his birthday. **Bob's** fine card did not appear to have any holes punched in it yet, so.... *Fine upheld!*
- **Stan Smith** celebrated a birthday recently, but missed the last few meetings so the recognition comes a bit late. It turns out **Stan** was at a national labor union conference, and was elected district vice president of the association while he was there. *Fine doubled!*
- **Bob Sakai** was fined for his recent birthday. The ever-savvy **Bob** used the opportunity to note that he spent his birthday walking door-to-door to educate people about the upcoming school board election, in support of school board candidates **Dan Goldstein**, **Bob Carlson**, and Todd Davis (**Freddye's** son). *Fine tripled!*
- For celebrating her 36th wedding anniversary to husband Paul, **Pam Russo** made a generous donation to Child Spree in lieu of a fine. *Fine waived!*
- **Rick Hansen** recently celebrated 32 years of marriage with wife Theresa, but somehow managed to smooth-talk his way out of paying... primarily by using up the allotted time. *Fine dismissed!*
- The honeymoon may be officially over but the marriage is still going strong for **Janiene Langford**, who recently celebrated her first anniversary with husband Abraham. **Janiene's** Rotary sponsoree **Stacey Thompson** jumped in to pay **Janiene's** fine. Never one to pass up a freebie, **President Sean** accepted both fines. *Double fine collected!*

Vocational Talk

Anna Laveria May has been a Rotarian for 18 years and recently transferred back to Hayward Rotary Club. She spoke and shared images about her roots in Hayward, her lifelong career as a businesswoman, and her current real estate business that she co-owns with her husband, Greg Jones.

Anna is a graduate of Mt. Eden High School; she and fellow Mt. Eden graduate **President Sean Reinhart** are founding members of the Mt. Eden High School Alumni Association and Education Foundation. She noted that last year the Foundation sponsored the first-ever high school student participant in the year-long Leadership Hayward program, a service the association plans to continue.

Noting that her identity as a businesswoman stretches back to her teens, **Anna** spoke of her earlier careers, first as a model and later as restaurateur and owner of Rickshaw Express on Jackson Street in Hayward. After selling the restaurant, she went into the real estate business. **Anna** told amusing stories about working in real estate career, and provided several visual examples of the concept of truth in advertising when it comes to houses.

To **Anna**, one of the good things about owning a business downtown is the opportunity to participate in promoting good causes in the community. She particularly focuses on promoting art by displaying local art at her real estate office, and helping our four-legged friends at the Hayward Animal Shelter. **Anna** plays a key role in organizing the annual SantaCon holiday event that raises funds for the animal shelter. In closing, she shared a photo of the two canine shelter adoptees, “Piglet” and “Rufus the Dufus”, who now live happily in the May-Jones household.



Rotarian Anna May delivers her Vocational Talk.

Keynote Presentation

Mark Salinas introduced keynote speaker **Dr. Susan Sperling**, President of Chabot College. **Mr. Salinas** noted that **Dr. Sperling**, who holds a Ph.D. in anthropology, has been both a teacher and a mentor to him. **Dr. Sperling** was named President of the college in 2012 after many years of service on the school's faculty.

Dr. Sperling expressed gratitude for the recent passage of a \$950 million facilities bond to provide funding for building and renovation projects at Chabot College. She noted that as the college is running out of land on which to build new facilities, some of the expansion will probably be upward, with more multi-story buildings. The additional space and remodeling work is needed, she said, because the college is seeing both increased enrollment and increased graduation rates.



Dr. Susan Sperling, President of Chabot Community College.

Highlighting the value of partnerships with outside organizations that have enhanced the student educational experience at the college, **Dr. Sperling** offered as an example an effort with the State Bar Association to expand multicultural and economic diversity in legal professions. The program, Pathways to Law School, provides legal education to middle school students, culminating in a mock trial conducted entirely by students overseen by a volunteer judge from the legal community.

Dr. Sperling then introduced Matt Kritcher, Vice President of Student Services. Mr. Kritcher described the many programs and services the school offers to meet student needs, including health and social services and assistance with applying for aid from state and federal programs. In turn, Mr. Kritcher introduced Jeanne Wilson, Dean of Special Services at Chabot, who spoke about some of the special programs offered by the college to make students feel more welcome and engaged. Ms. Wilson spoke

to the partnership between the college and the Hayward Promise Neighborhood program to enhance connections with the surrounding community and other community partners. Ms. Wilson then introduced Jennie Reyes, a student at Chabot and a working mother. Ms. Reyes spoke movingly about her own experiences at the school and how she had been helped and supported by some of the programs it offers.

At the conclusion of the presentation, **President Sean Reinhart** presented a children's book, *Judy Moody Goes to College*, that will be dedicated in **Dr. Sperling's** name and placed in the Hayward Library collection.

Adjournment

President Sean adjourned the meeting with thanks to our Visiting Rotarians and esteemed Guests; today's greeters **Mark Salinas** and **Rick Hansen**; **Barbara Halliday** for taking the *High Gear* notes; Sergeant-At-Arms **Janiene Langford**; and secretary extraordinaire **Mona Diamantine**

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE:

The following person has been proposed by the Board for membership in Hayward Rotary Club: Jatinderpal "J.P." Sahi, classification Health Care, co-sponsored by **Sara Lamnin** and **Bill Quirk**.

"FROM THE ARCHIVES" 1983

This excerpt is from the booklet, *History of Hayward Rotary Club*, printed in 1983.

PRESIDENT CHARLES C. PLUMMER

July 1, 1982-June 30, 1983



CHARLEY C. PLUMMER

Law Enforcement

and exciting. During his term his wit and quick repartee with Milt Murdock and Nels Clemens and former presidents Wayne Wright and Niel Carew made members and visitors eager to be present.

In addition, Charley put all his persuasive powers to end the "early leaver" problem which had plagued the club for a decade. At the beginning of his term he announced that the Hayward club would not tolerate this type of insult to club speakers and suggested that members as well as "make-ups" go somewhere else if they were not prepared to "stay the course."

According to a profile appearing in "High Gear," when Charley first came into the club, he was a native of northern California. In 1952 he joined the Berkeley Police Department and by hard work in the youth, detective, traffic and administrative details, worked himself up in the department until he became acting chief for nine months. Then Bill Hanley, who came to Hayward from Berkeley as city manager, prevailed upon Plummer to accept the police chief position in our town. In his few years in our club he became a director and worked hard at all tasks from selling cotton candy to selling tickets to the A's. His Rotary-Ann is Norma, and his two sons are following in his footsteps as police officers in Berkeley and Fremont. He also has a daughter who may follow a similar career.

The club's choice for this year's honored Paul Harris Fellowship were Past-presidents Bob Cook and Bernie Maisel, who were outstanding community leaders and still perform nobly for the club in scholarships, rodeo, the Concours and school and youth activities.

Under the leadership of Charley and Governor King, the Hayward Rotary Club is fast approaching the initially set goals to increase membership and has already increased the Paul Harris Fellowships to 27. Sustaining memberships are 14 and net new members are 24. Hayward Rotary is now truly international. At the District Conference in San Jose, Charley was awarded the Outstanding President's award and the club was given a trophy for runner-up to the best club out of 46 in District 517.

The directors selected Richard Bowman to be our new club Secretary. President Charley and Rotary-Ann Norma attended the 1982 convention in Dallas and President-elect Frank McCullough is expected to make the trip to Toronto along with other Hayward Rotarians.

The Concours d' Elegance will be held at California State University, Hayward again and the rodeo is scheduled for early May.

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AUGUST 15, 2016



KEEPING THE GEARS TURNING

Paul Martin, Bob Tucknott, Bob Scheppler, A.T. Stephens, President Sean Reinhart, District Governor Jeff Orth, Ed Mullins, Brian Schott, Mona Diamantine, and Anna May received special commendations from the District Governor for exemplary behind-the-scenes service to Hayward Rotary Club.

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by **President Sean Reinhart**, who unshackled the bell at 12:15 pm. **Freddye Davis** led the assembly in The Pledge of Allegiance, which was followed by **Douglas Den Hartog** and **Chuck Horner** leading a song, "America (My Country Tis of Thee)."

The Thought for the Day was presented by **Pam Russo**, in honor of the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro:

"Don't practice until you get it right, practice until you can't get it wrong."

-- Five-time Olympic gold medalist Katie Ledekey

GREETERS



Pam Russo



Anna May

Introductions

Anna May introduced Visiting Rotarians: Bob Tucknott, electrical contractor from Dublin; Heidi Hausauer, Assistant District Governor, Area 2 from Castro Valley; and **Jeff Orth**, **District Governor** from Gilroy.

Guests around the room were introduced by their hosts:

- **District Governor Jeff Orth** introduced his wife Barbara Orth;
- **Freddye Davis** introduced her son, Todd Davis, candidate for HUSD Board of Education
- **Mark Salinas** introduced Jason Arenas, of the Alameda County Office of Education
- **Chuck Horner's** guest was Jim Gilmore, local audio expert;
- **Sam Falk** introduced his son, Nick Falk.

As is our custom, **Douglas Den Hartog**, **Chuck Horner** and fellow Rotarians serenaded visitors with the "HELLO!" Song.

Announcements

- Board Meeting. **President Sean** reported on the highlights of the August 11 Board Meeting: There will be a Club Photo taken at the October 24th meeting. The Blue Book club roster is being updated by **Larry Ratto** and will be reprinted this fall.
- Board recognition. **President Sean** presented Director's pins to new Board directors: **AT Stephens, Janiene Langford, Douglas Den Hartog** and **Robin Wilma**.
- District Grants Training will be held on Saturday, August 20, 2016 from 8:30am-12:00pm at **Brian Schott's** Admail offices at 31640 Hayman Street, Hayward. **Gay McDaniel** and **Janiene Langford** will represent Hayward at this required training.
- Membership Workshop. Membership Chair **Douglas Den Hartog** announced the District Membership Workshop on Saturday, August 27 at the Embassy Suites in Milpitas. Red Badge members should plan to attend; contact **Douglas** for details.
- Child Spree. **George Pacheco** reported that Saturday's event was a big success. A combination of discounts and tax free shopping courtesy of the store; donations from area businesses; and upwards of \$14,000 raised by Rotarians and the community to purchase backpacks and school supplies helped to success for the 121 kids, their parents, and everyone who volunteered. **President Sean** added his special thanks to the Child Spree committee: **Pam Russo, George Pacheco, María Ochoa, Kenny Altenburg, and Valerie Caveglia**, for their hard work.
- Dictionary Project. Our next service project is the annual distribution of dictionaries to third graders. Save the date October 5 to label the dictionaries at the Firefighters Union Hall, 22734 Main Street, for distribution late in October. **Linda Granger** and **Ken Meirovitz** and are the committee co-chairs coordinating the effort.



*President Sean Reinhart recognized new directors **A.T. Stephens, Janiene Langford, Douglas Den Hartog, and Robin Wilma** (not pictured).*

Rotary International Foundation Giving

Debby De Angelis and **District Governor Jeff Orth** recognized two new Paul Harris Fellows: **Douglas Den Hartog** and **Marita Cheng**. Six Rotarians have earned Paul Harris Fellowship status since July 1, an unprecedented number for any year.



*District Governor Jeff Orth presented Paul Harris Fellowships to **Marita Cheng** and **Douglas Den Hartog***

District Governor Orth awarded bronze, silver and gold medallions of his own design to those who pledged \$200, \$500 and \$1,000 to this year's Rotary International Foundation campaign. Practically everyone in the room was called up for this recognition, so widespread is the spirit of giving among Hayward Rotarians. Medallions were awarded to: **Bob Scheppler, Bob Sakai, Ed Avelar, Paul Wallace, A.T. Stephens, Brian Schott, Larry Ratto, George Pacheco, Ed Mullins, Terry Lee, Norman Garcia, Dave Elkins, Beth Ehrlich, Mona Diamantine, Debby De Angelis, Freddy Davis, Dennis Butler, Rod Andazola, Rick Hansen, Robin Wilma, Sean Reinhart, Roger Power, Charley Plummer, María Ochoa, Andy Krake, Tom Gratny, and Douglas Den Hartog**. Thanks, all for your generosity.

And, by virtue of **District Governor Orth's** membership in the Rotary Club of Gilroy, he bestowed "Order of the Stinking Rose" enameled pins to several Rotarians. "There are Rotarians who are like this Noble Bulb (the humble garlic clove)," he said. "They contribute to the success of this district, without striving for the spotlight. They help us accomplish great things, and while we may not be aware of all they do, we would certainly notice if they stopped."

Fines and Foolishness

- **President Sean** observed that **Rick Hansen** had driven a beautiful, brand new Ford Explorer to today's meeting. **President Sean** asked **Rick** to describe some of the many features of this fine automobile, which include a self-parking system and air conditioned seats. (This was confirmed by **Secretary Mona Diamantine**.) When asked where he bought it, **Rick** replied that he purchased it at Fremont Ford, from fellow Rotarian **Dave Elkins**. Now we know where to go when we're looking for a fine new vehicle. *Double fine issued!*
- **Don Mai** and his wife Karin celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary on July 9. Congratulations! *Wedded bliss fine upheld.*
- Lighting Round fines were issued in recognition of Club Anniversaries to **Douglas Den Hartog** (August 4, 2014); **Sid Hamadeh**, the fastest Blue Badge in club history (August 10, 2015); and **Rita Shue** (August 11, 2003). *Hat trick!*

Keynote Presentation

District 5170 Assistant Governor Heidi Hausauer introduced **District Governor Jeff Orth** who, in his Rotary talk, reminded the Club of the 2016 theme – “Rotary Serving Humanity” – by recalling a Rotary Pal project he witnessed to repair the faces of malformed children. **District Governor Orth** remembered a person in his 50s who thanked Rotary saying, “This is the first time I’ve gotten to kiss my wife or anybody.”

District Governor Orth also encouraged members to join an international project like a past year’s distribution of wheel chairs in Monterrey, Mexico where an elderly woman kissed the left handle of her old chair, thanking it for all of its service (to her), made the sign of the cross and, then, went on her way. It is moment like these that we are reminded of Rotary’s call to “Service Above Self.”

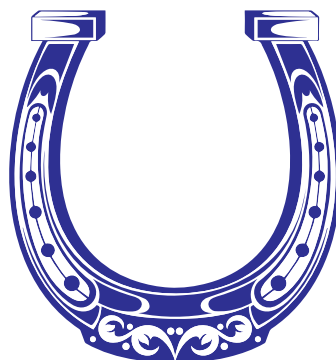
District Governor Orth suggested that there were three essential attributes of clubs that were on an upward trajectory, like Hayward’s: (1) Strong brand, the public image of an outward facing Club, (2) A diverse and growing membership, particularly among millennials. Members “don’t need to be the same, but fit together.” And (3) A club with a sense of purpose is always better at raising funds and being of service.

“I used to have a recurring dream,” he said in his closing remarks, “a nightmare of living a life and not being remembered. Success is when you look back at your life and the memories make you smile. My affection and affiliation with Rotary does that for me.

At the end of **District Governor Orth’s** remarks, **President Reinhart** presented our Club’s gift to the speaker, a children’s book donated in his honor to commemorate his keynote address to the Hayward Rotary Club. **District Governor Orth**, a financial advisor by vocation, signed a copy of *National Geographic: Kids Everything Money* for the Children’s Room of the Hayward Public Library.

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| Aug 22 | Susie Amaro – “California Airways – Aviation in Hayward” |
| Aug 29 | Chad Bojorquez – “Hayward Downtown Streets Team” |
| Sept 5 | No meeting – Labor Day holiday |
| Sept 12 | A.T. Stephens – “Hayward Area Historical Society 60th Anniversary” |

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