# Rotary Club of Hayward





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## AFLIPPIN GOOD TIME.

Hayward Rotary Club raises thousands for Hayward kids and families.



Hayward Rotary Club members Bill Quirk and Stan Dobbs take a break from flipping omelets to pose for the camera. See more event photos at www.HaywardRotary.org

Interact students from Mt. Eden and Hayward High Schools take a break from serving coffee and bussing tables to pose for a group photo.





Hayward firefighter Andrew Ghali and Fire Chief Garrett Contreras demonstrate their double-pan omelet flipping technique.



Hayward Rotary Club member Bob Sakai demonstrates his omelet flipping technique.

#### Call To Order

President-Elect **Sean Reinhart**, filling in for **President Andy Krake**, called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m... The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Fire Chief **Garrett Contreras**, followed by a Patriotic Song led by **Douglas Den Hartog** and **Chuck Horner**... Two Thoughts for the Day, both from Thomas Jefferson, were delivered by **Douglas Den Hartog:** "The man who reads nothing at all, is better than the man who reads nothing but newspapers." And "Educate the whole mass of the people, they are the only sure reliance on the preservation of our liberty."

### GREETERS



Douglas Den Hartog



Paul Wallace

#### **Introduction of Visiting Rotarians and Guests**

**Paul Wallace** introduced Visiting Rotarian Bob Tucknott from the Dublin Rotary Club. **Ron Peck** introduced his sister, former San Lorenzo Schools Trustee Penny Peck. **Dr. Carla Walter** introduced her guest, Chabot College administrator Dr. Stacey Thompson. Guests were welcomed with a rousing rendition of our favorite song, "HELLO!

#### **Announcements:**

- Sean Reinhart provided a health update from President Andy Krake. Andy's on the mend and will be home this week.
- Rita Shue offered a long list of Omelet Brunch appreciations. Beth Ehrich coordinated volunteers. Stan Smith coordinated the bar. Larry Lepore coordinated equipment delivery. Francisco Zermeño and Debby De Angelis coordinated at the raffle booth. Rick Felson provided bread. Marita Cheng coordinated food presentation. Robin Wilma arranged for the centerpieces. Sam Falk took care of the fliers and tickets. Sid Hamedeh donated coffee. Terry Lee worked with Moreau High School staff and students. Jasmir Singh, Bob Carlson and Bob Scheppler handled check-in. Ed Avelar was our photographer. George Pacheco was quick as the 'runner.' Rick Hansen gained fame for working all

three days from set up to clean up. Organizations that made the whole operation work smoothly included the Moreau High School staff, Hayward firefighters, Interact, Boy Scouts, Community Grant volunteers and a host of others.

- Visiting Rotarian Bob Tucknott invited Rotarians to the Dublin Club's "Top Chef Grand Tasting" event on May 15 at Mercedes-Benz of Pleasanton.
- Ed Avelar reported that the memorial service for **Steve Rubiolo** will be held on Saturday, Feb. 27, 2:00 p.m. in the church hall north of Transfiguration Catholic Church, 4000 E. Castro Valley Blvd.
- Sean Reinhart reported that the annual Rotary District 5170 Assembly will be held on Thursday, March 24th, 5:00pm to 9:00pm at India Community Center, 525 Los Coches Street, Milpitas. The assembly is an excellent Rotary event and a requirement for "Red Badge" members to attend.
- **Dick Warren's** wife Annette passed away over the weekend. The memorial service will be at the historical society at a date to be released later to club members. More information to come.
- Rick Hansen provided a report on the Community Grants. Approximately \$20,000 was projected to be available for grants in 2016. Dozens of applications were received, requesting over \$80,000 in total. On February 11, the Club board of directors authorized grant awards to 26 agencies for a total of \$25,139, and sent a request to the Hayward Rotary Foundation board of directors for an additional \$4,558 from club project funds. The Foundation board unanimously approved the request for additional funds on February 18. The grant checks will be awarded to the recipients at the club meeting on March 28.

#### Club Election Slate - February 29

**Debby DeAngelis**, speaking for the nominating committee, reported that Club elections will be held during the regular meeting on February 29. The nominating committee's proposed slate includes candidates for the board of directors (2016-18). Four will be elected, plus two alternates. The nominees are: **Mike Cobb; Robin Wilma; Douglas Den Hartog; Matt Spielberg; AT Stephens; and Janiene Langford.** The proposed slate of officers includes **Mona Diamantine** as Secretary, **Gay McDaniel** as Treasurer, and **Stan Dobbs** as President-Elect serving as President in 2017-18.

In addition to the above slate, nominations will be accepted from the floor. Thanks and appreciation to the Nominating Committee for its good work: **Debby De Angelis**, **Larry Ratto**, **Ed Mullins**, **Rob Cook III** and **Sean Reinhart**.

#### Vocational Talk

Dr. Carla Walter delivered her Vocational Talk.

**Carla's** experience with Rotary has shown her how the organization "focuses on giving from a basis of love and selfless service, being disciplined in doing so and believing in what is unseen to permanently change people's lives for the better."

Her first experience with Rotary membership came in 2006 in Joplin, Missouri, a city where she was on the board of directors for the chamber music organization ProMusica and Spiva Center for the Arts. Much of her academic scholarship and book authorship has reflected her commitment to the arts as "an important contributor to economic sustainability of communities and entrepreneurial directions for artists."

Her doctoral dissertation in critical dance studies at UC Riverside involved research with distinguished ballet companies in Kansas City, Stuttgart and Montreal. Prior to that she led the MBA program as a professor at Missouri Southern. Her work history includes 10 years of leading MBIA Muni Financial in Temecula, Ca., where she was chief operating officer responsible for billions of dollars in tax exempt municipal bonds and corporate strategy.

She came to Chabot College in 2014 as dean of arts, humanities, and social sciences. She currently serves as vice president of administrative services, where she functions as the colleges' chief business officer in supervision of Chabot's \$85 million budget.

"I really enjoy my work because I believe – in fact, I know – that education is the key to changing lives and improving circumstances," she said. "This change comes about as a result of institutions achieving their missions in serving students through continuous improvement."

The following people have been proposed for membership:

- Kenny Altenburg, sponsored by Ashton Simmons
- Dr. Stacey Thompson, sponsored by Janiene Langford

#### Blue Badge Presentation

President-Elect Sean Reinhart called Carla's sponsor, Dr. Bob Carlson to join them on the stage, and then presented Dr. Carla Walter with her Blue Badge. Congratulations, Carla!

Dr. Carla Walter receives her Blue Badge with her Rotary sponsor, Dr. Bob Carlson (left), and President-Elect Sean Reinhart



#### Fines and Foolishness

Ron Peck was fined for having a Red Badge. Fire Chief Garrett Contreras was fined for having advanced omelet-flipping skills, but being absent on the day of the demonstration on February 8. Rick Hansen was so inspired by the fire chief's volunteerism at the event itself that he paid Garrett's fine. Paul Wallace was recognized for his "sweet 16" year Club anniversary. Kim Huggett turned in his whole fine card for his photo and column in the Hayward Daily Review, writing as chairman of the Measure B Oversight Committee for the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District's \$498 million bond measure.

#### Featured Speaker - Dr. Susan Sperling, President of Chabot College

Our featured speaker was Dr. Susan Sperling, President of Chabot Community College. Her talk was introduced by **Dr. Bob Carlson**, President Emeritus of Chabot College.

Dr. Sperling noted that it was four years ago to the day when she assumed leadership of Chabot College which currently has a student population of 12,000. She was appointed in 2012 by the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Board of Trustees and is the ninth president in the college's 50-year history.

President Sperling was pleased to cite a recent column written by Chabot graduate Tom Hanks in the New York Times in which he wrote "I owe it all to community college" and thanked faculty members at Chabot for inspiring his success.



Chabot College President Dr. Susan Sperling and President-Elect Sean Reinhart

Sperling noted that community colleges are the "engines of workforce development" in California, producing 80% of the state's firefighters, police and emergency technicians; 70% of the nurses; and more than 50% of California State University graduates.

Among Sperling's favorite new programs at the college is the new Veteran's Service Center, which includes services providing information on housing, career counseling and educational opportunities. Chabot also is working with the Hayward Unified School District on coursework successfully offered to seventh and eighth graders to "nurture a college-going culture in Hayward."

Upon conclusion of Dr. Sperling's keynote presentation, **President-Elect Sean Reinhart** presented a children's book that will be donated to Hayward Library in Dr. Sperling's name.

#### Adjournment

**President-Elect Sean Reinhart** adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

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## HAYWARD ROTARY CLUB CALENDAR



February 29 Fran David, Hayward City Manager; and Club Elections

March 7 Brett Badelle, Future Directions at BART

March 14 Shannon Lovelace-White, Hayward Farmer's Market

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