

Rotary Club of Hayward

HIGH GEAR



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ROTARY CLUB of HAYWARD, CALIF. MEETING NOTES – JANUARY 9, 2017

Greeters: **Phyllis Moroney** and **Ed Mullins**
High Gear editor: **María Ochoa**
Meeting called to order by **President Sean Reinhart**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by newest member **Robert Pimentel**. The Thought for the Day was provided by Sheriff Emeritus **Charley Plummer**. "Logic will get you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere." --- Albert Einstein.

President Sean gave a Special Welcome to **Robert Pimentel**, our newest member and the now retired caterer who fed us wonderful lunches for many years. **Phyllis Moroney** introduced Visiting Rotarians: Jim Halliday, Los Gatos; John Notch, San Leandro; and the ubiquitous Bob Tucknott, Dublin. We also welcomed several guests.

CLUB ELECTIONS

Elections were held for the Club Officers and Directors serving in the upcoming year July 2017-June 2018. The Nominating

Committee Members included the following Past Presidents: **Andy Krake, Stan Data Dobbs, Debby DeAngelis, Ken Meirovitz, Paul Martin.**

NOMINEES FOR CLUB OFFICERS:

- **AT Stephens**, President 2017-18
- **Stan Dobbs**, President-Elect 2018-19
- **Sid Hamadeh**, President-Elect Nominee 2019-20
- **Mona Diamantine**, Secretary
- **Gay McDaniel**, Treasurer
- **Matt Spielberg**, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

NOMINEES FOR DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE

- **George Pacheco, Mark Salinas, Michael Cobb, Norman Garcia, Freddy Davis, and Sri Ponnala.**
- Of these nominees, four of the six would serve as voting directors, the other two would serve as non-voting directors.

President Sean called for any additional nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Ballots were distributed to the members, to be collected during the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Sean announced that the regularly scheduled January 12 board meeting would not be held due to the number of directors who are ill. The next board meeting is Thursday, February 9.

Mark Salinas provided an update on the Speech Contest that will take place at the January 23 meeting. The three students are competing for the opportunity to represent the club at the regional level of competition; that winner will move on to the state competition.

George Pacheco announced that advertisements at a discounted rate are still available for placement in the upcoming Rowell Ranch Rodeo. Already \$4,000 has been pledged, a healthy sum, he says.

Ed Mullins announced that nominations are being accepted for the Richard Bowman Outstanding Hayward Rotarian Award. Deadline is February 6. The honoree will be feted and roasted at the April 10 meeting.

President Sean announced that the Annual Champagne Omelet Brunch will take place on Sunday, February 26 at Moreau Catholic High School. Members have been provided with 10 tickets a piece with a modest contribution price of \$10 per person. See **Francisco Zermeno** about contributing items for the silent auction at the brunch.

No meeting will be held on Monday, January 16 due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. Members are invited to the NAACP-City of Hayward MLK Celebration scheduled for

4:30 p.m. at the Chabot College Performing Arts Center. Keynote presentations will be made by Rotarian **Freddye Davis** and Freedom Rider Carol Ruth Silver. They will be in conversation with each other about their respective experiences in Freedom Summer. A must attend event for sure!

FINES AND FOOLISHNESS

- **George Pacheco** was born at the Hayward Hospital at 12:05 am on New Year's Day in 1990 or thereabouts give or take thirty years, or so. He was the second baby born in that year, whatever it is, in Alameda County.
- **Lucy Lopez** spent her birthday on January 2 at Mission Carmel with her family.
- **Bob Scheppler** had a wedding anniversary on November 22 and celebrated 54 years of bliss by always saying yes to the Little Woman.
- **Norman Garcia** celebrated 23 years of marital bliss on January 8, by practicing patience, understanding, and communication.
- **Tom Gratny** celebrated a 43rd wedding anniversary on January 13 and attributes his long marriage to living in separate homes.
- Club anniversaries: **Gay McDaniel**, 4 years; **AT Stephens**, 2 years; **Paul Wallace**, 18 years.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: PROF. TONY LIMA, PHD

Speaker of the day was CSUEB Economics Professor Emeritus Dr. Tony Lima who spoke on "2017: A Year of Risks and Opportunities." He opened his talk with the caveat that he would by conclusion offend everyone in the room. Unclear whether he succeeded in that regard, but he sure was boring and ill-informed.

He declared that the four economic issues of 2017 were: 1. Trump proposals will be constrained by fiscal reality; 2. There is a substantial risk of inflation; 3. International economic policies are worrisome; 4. Labor markets and wages are in need of adjustment.

ELECTION RESULTS

The proposed Board Officers were all elected. Three of the four voting directors were elected on the first round of voting: **Michael Cobb, Norman Garcia, and George Pacheco.** There was a tie for the fourth voting director seat between **Freddye Davis** and **Mark Salinas**; there will be a runoff next week. **Sri Ponnala** will serve as one of the nonvoting directors. Congratulations to all!

Greeters: **Matt Spielberg** and **Pam Russo**
High Gear editor: **Valerie Caveglia**
Meeting called to order by **President Sean Reinhart**

Matt Spielberg delivered The Thought of the Day: "I'm an attorney. The reason that they call it the practice of law is that we continue to practice, with the hope that some day, with effort and learning from our experiences, we will get it right. The same thing may be said of life in general."

Pam Russo introduced visiting Rotarians Bob Goetsch from Fremont and Bob Tucknott from Dublin. **Janiene Langford** acknowledged the Rotarians who then introduced their guests. Rotary had many guests today: Clark Smith, Dr. Meeral Bhakta, You Jung Jho, Marcelo Mendoza, Vrushali Nanjundappa, the famous Tommie Lindsey from James Logan, the support group for the speakers, and the four speech contest judges who remained anonymous until after the speeches were delivered. **Chuck Horner** again led the rousing rendition of our favorite, the HELLO! Song.

CLUB ELECTIONS - RUNOFF

A runoff election wasn't needed because **Freddye Davis** conceded on her own accord due to her other pressing commitments. **Mark Salinas** was duly elected to the fourth voting director-at-large seat. Congratulations, all!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sean Reinhart and **AT Stephens** announced a Special Club meeting at HAHS on 2/13 – Hayward Rotary Club in Local History. They also mentioned **Dr. María Ochoa's** new position at HAHS as Deputy Director.

Beth Erlich Smith updated us on the Champagne Omelet Brunch on 2/26. Please sign up to volunteer at HaywardRotary.org. **Valerie Caveglia** urged us all who are on Facebook to please go to the Hayward Rotary Foundation page/ Events, and share the Omelet Brunch Event with your own Facebook friends.

Brian Schott directed our attention to the Nomination for Richard W. Bowman Outstanding Hayward Rotarian Award forms on everyone's able. Please consider a nomination and have it in by Feb 6. **Ed Mullins** is the committee chair and you can email the form to him or deliver it in person. Each year our club honors one of its own for his or her service to the club and community with the Richard W. Bowman Outstanding Hayward Rotarian Award. This is a significant award as it recognizes all the service contributions the individual has made throughout the years. The award committee seeks nominations from club members for this honor. A Nomination form is included in this newsletter for your use. If you believe

someone is deserving of the award, please complete the form and forward it per the instructions. You are encouraged to partner with one or more club members as joint nominators, in order to articulate a comprehensive picture of your nominee.

The award is scheduled to be presented at one of our regular meeting days, April 10. Nominations will close February 6, so please give this your prompt attention.

President Sean called on **Debby DeAngelis** who admitted that she and husband David are having a great time in retirement. **Debby** was outstanding Rotarian in 2015-16.

Robert Sakai asked to take a moment to thank Tommie Lindsey for his many years of service to Student Forensics at James Logan High School. Rotarians gave Tommy a standing ovation!

Janiene Langford reminded us that the five Rotary Scholars will be presented on March 3. She would like to have donations for goody bag fillers. Gift cards would be a great idea....only 5 kids to please!

BLUE BADGE PRESENTATION

Sri Ponnala, who was recently elected to the Board of Directors, received her Blue Badge from **President Sean Reinhart**. Sri's sponsor was the late **Del Della-Dora**.

FINES AND FOOLISHNESS

- **Andy Krake** was in the room to accept his birthday fine....but he upped it to \$65 to match his new age! **Andy** had the bad luck to spend this auspicious birthday in the hospital. Glad to see you're on the mend, **Andy!**
- **Dr. María Ochoa** \$10 for her new job, but her new boss, **AT Stephens** paid it for her.

YOUTH SPEECH CONTEST 2016-2017

Mark Salinas explained the Youth Speech Contest Rules and made us promise not to applaud until it was all over. The four speakers drew letters to determine their speaking order. The theme this year was Rotary Serving Humanity.

First Place went to Kirthana Iyer from James Logan who spoke about using the 4-Way Test on who to hang out with at school.

Second Place winner, also from James Logan, was Mmulya Donthi, who urged listeners to give up social media and practice the 4-Way test.

Marina Ruiz, from Mt. Eden High, spoke of Latina Power and grabbed the third place prize.

In Fourth place was Amada Hernandez, Brenkowitz High, whose theme was "Don't judge others, but unite, and help others."

Many thanks to the judges, Deputy District Attorneys, Elgin Lowe, Angela Backers, Mark Melton, and Matthew Golde, and to Mark Salinas for organizing this event.

President Sean presented **Mark** with a children's book, "Tips for Public Speaking" which will be donated to the library in honor of the Speech Contest.

ROTARY CLUB of HAYWARD, CALIF. MEETING NOTES – January 30, 2017

Greeters: **Lucy Lopez** and **Robin Wilma**
High Gear editor: **Francisco Zermeño**
Meeting called to order by **President Sean Reinhart**

President Sean began the meeting by asking for a moment of silence in memory of Barbara Avelar, **Ed Avelar's** beloved wife who passed away over the weekend after a long struggle with illness.

The Thought for the Day by **Robin Wilma**: "We make a living with what we get and we live with what we give." –Winston Churchill

INTRODUCTIONS

Lucy López introduced Visiting Rotarian Bob Tucknott, from Dublin.

Robin Wilma helped introduce guests: Jim Murphy, scholarship donor and guest of **Ed Bullock**. Marie Pimentel, wife and guest of **Robert Pimentel**. Allen Zargar, guest of **Anna May**. Jeff Dixon of Sprikler Fitters Local 483, guest of **Stan Smith**. Gena Engelfried, Principal of Golden Oak Montessori School, guest of **Francisco Zermeño**.

HELLO! Song: **Chuck Horner** led us in a great rendition of this very popular song to the delight of our guests!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AT Stephens: The HUGE new decorative banner was displayed by at least 6 members and will be installed today on the chain link fence next to the Masonic Hall.

Sean Reinhart & AT Stephens: Special Club meeting at HAHS on 2/13 – Hayward Rotary Club in local history.

Rita Shue: Champagne Omelet Brunch 2/26 with words from **Beth Ehrlich** about joining us, and by **Francisco Zermeño** about the Raffle prizes already promised (he read from his list this time, so that no one would be forgotten).

Larry Ratto: Outstanding Hayward Rotarian. Nominations by April 10, and we were reminded to nominate a Rotary member, on the handout at each table.

Janiene Langford: Hayward Rotary Scholar will honor five Hayward students who demonstrated excellence in achievement, attendance, and citizenship in school. **Janiene** reminded folks of who had donated in the past in order to have more donations, with handout at each table. It will be on March 3, 2017.

Brian Schott: A family that just came to Hayward a bit before the Executive Orders banning refugees needs assistance. Brian Schott led the way with a donation.



Sean Reinhart, Vrushali Nandunjappa, and Janiene Langford

NEW MEMBER SWEARING-IN

Vrushali Nandunjappa was sworn in on a Children's Dictionary to become the newest member of Hayward Rotary Club. Her Sponsor: Janiene Langford. Welcome to the Club, **Vrushali**!

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP

Debby De Angelis presented a special Paul Harris Fellowship to honored guest speaker Fran David.

- **Terry Lee** ...was in Boston for his Birthday, and not with us. We sang Happy Birthday to him anyway. Double fine!
- **Dennis Butler** ...was not in the area for his 46th wedding anniversary, instead opting to visit the Caribbean. Travel fine!
- **Michael Cobb**...for peddling St. Rose Hospital fundraising event (which we all know and love and plan to support, of course!) Advertising fine!



Fran David, Debby De Angelis, and Sean Reinhart

Bob Sakai introduced our keynote speaker, Fran David. Fran David is the recently retired City Manager of Hayward. Ms. David delivered a fascinating talk about the current housing crisis in the Bay Area.

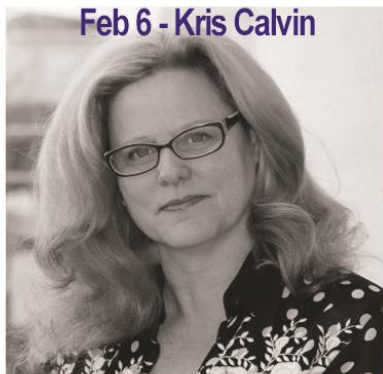
Demand for housing is at an all-time high. She noted that \$560,000 is the median home prize in Bay Area, and \$546,000 in Hayward. There has been 35% increase in the number of \$1 million homes in San Francisco, a 28% increase in Oakland, and a 14% increase in San José. 150% above price in CA for housing compared to the whole USA.

More and more Millennials are living with parents, but they want to be homeowners. Homelessness is a problem throughout our USA.

Climate Change is another big problem. If there is a 9' rise in sea level by 2050, as most scientists think, then vast areas of the Hayward lowlands, including the industrial area, could be inundated.

President Sean presented Ms. David a book, "Berenstain Bears Help the Homeless," that will be donated to the Hayward Library in honor of her keynote talk.

HAYWARD ROTARY CLUB CALENDAR



Feb 6 - Kris Calvin

Feb 6 Kris Calvin - CEO American Assoc. of Pediatricians, Calif.

Feb 13 "History of Hayward Rotary" at Hayward Area Historical Society

Feb 26 CHAMPAGNE OMELET BRUNCH, Sun. 8:30 am @ Moreau H.S.

Feb 27 Aman Dhuper, CEO St. Rose Hospital

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President.....Sean Reinhart
President - Elect.....AT Stephens
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Asst. Secretary.....Matthew Spielberg
Treasurer.....Gay McDaniel
Sergeant at Arms.....Janiene Langford

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Nomination for Richard W. Bowman Outstanding Hayward Rotarian Award

Your Name(s) _____

The Committee for the Richard W. Bowman Outstanding Hayward Rotarian Award (Ed Mullins – Chair, Brian Schott, Nels Nelson, Larry Ratto, and Debby De Angelis) invite nominations from our club members. Consider those members who impress you by what they have done within the club and within their community. Simply use this form to tell us what you know about them and why you feel this person should be considered.

At the bottom of the form is a list of prior recipients since 1982 and are current members. They are the only members NOT eligible for nomination.

For each of the Avenues of Service for Rotarians, provide whatever information you have about your nominee. Forward your completed nomination form to Ed Mullins (Committee Chair) emullins@workforcedge.com (FAX # 415-358-9929) or give him a copy at a meeting no later than **February 6.**

Person Nominated _____

Club Service – Helps the Club function smoothly and/or strengthens goodwill within the club.

Vocational Service – Shares job skills and expertise to help others in his/her field or other lines of work. Maintains high ethical standards.

Community Service – Improves the quality of life in our community through Rotary projects and/or other means.

International Service – Expands Rotary’s humanitarian reach around the world and/or promotes world understanding and peace.

Youth Service – Helps children, youth and/or young adults to provide leadership at the local, state, national, or international levels.

Past recipients of the award: Charley Plummer, John Hunter, Ed Martins, Don Mai, Ed Avelar, Dick Bowman, Ken Meirovitz, George Pacheco, Bob Scheppler, Mona Diamantine, Bob Sakai, Brian Schott, Ed Mullins, Nels Nelson, Larry Ratto, Debby De Angelis.

EXAMPLES OF EVIDENCE FOR THE AVENUES OF SERVICE

Club Service – Helps the Club function smoothly and/or strengthens goodwill within the club.

1. Rotary Club Board Member or Past President
2. Chair of a Rotary Club Committee
3. Leadership role in a club activity (Rodeo, Omelet Brunch, Child Spree, etc.)-
4. Contribution to Hayward Rotary Foundation
5. Bring new member(s) into the club

Vocational Service – Shares job skills with others. Maintains high ethical standards.

1. Leadership role in the Chamber of Commerce
2. Conducts training sessions for people within his/her field
3. Member of a professional/vocational group that has activities/projects to help improve the performance of people in that profession.
4. Member of an international organization that provides programs for improving job skills of its members.*

Community Service – Works in projects/activities that improves the quality of community life.

1. Rodeo, Child Spree, Omelet Brunch, etc. and/or fundraising support of Rotary projects
2. Serve as an Elected Official
3. Serve on an appointed local government commission, board or committee
4. Be a member of a group that works to improve the quality of life in the community

International Service – Helps expand Rotary’s humanitarian reach and/or promotes world understanding and peace.

1. Recipient of a Paul Harris Fellowship or contributes regularly to The Rotary Foundation
2. Host a person from a foreign country
3. Attend Rotary International Conference
4. Go to a foreign country to help with a community improvement project
5. Member of an international organization that provides programs for improving job skills of its members.*

Youth Service – Helps children, youth and/or young adults provide leadership.

1. Lead a boy/girl scout group
2. Lead a church youth group
3. Lead/teach in an after school group of young people
4. Work with, or lead, a Rotaract or Interact group
5. Serve as a mentor to at-risk youth