

ROTARY CLUB of
HAYWARD, CALIF.
MEETING NOTES:
MARCH 20, 2017

Greeters: **Kevin McGary** and **Matt Spielberg**. High Gear note-taker: **Robert Pimentel**. Meeting called to order by President **Sean Reinhart**. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by "The Godfather" **Paul Martin**. The Thought for the Day was provided by **Mark Salinas**. "My best friend is the one who brings the best barbecue." – Henry Ford

INTRODUCTIONS

Janiene Langford introduced Visiting Rotarians Bob Tucknott, Rotary Club of Dublin; Rob Simpson, Rotary Club of Esperance Bay, Australia; and Marion Sanchez, Rotary Club of F.U.N. Sunset. We also welcomed several guests. To help welcome our guests in true Hayward Rotary Club style, **Chuck Horner** led us in a rousing round of "HELLO!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President-elect AT Stephens was thanked by **President Sean** for stepping up to recruit and schedule volunteers for the Hayward Rotary Club's annual Rowell Ranch Rodeo fundraiser on May 20 and 21. **All Rotarians are required to work both days of the Rodeo.** Can't be there? Send two volunteers in your place or donate \$100 per day.

President Sean invited Rotarians to join him on April 1st (6pm Saturday night) at the Rodeo Queen Coronation Dinner. Rotary Club purchased a table at the event to support our partners at the Rowell Ranch Rodeo Association. Cost is \$35 per ticket.

"professional excellence"

The Hayward Rotary Club Professional Excellence Awards recognize outstanding professionals of the Hayward community. One award is given in each of three professional sectors: Private, Nonprofit, and Public. Hayward Rotary Club has honored dozens of extraordinary professionals over the years. The Professional Excellence Awards are presented annually.



President Sean Reinhart with Professional Excellence Award winners Andrew Ghali, Hayward Firefighters Local 1909; Jessi Clifton, Life Chiropractic West; Aaron Ortiz, La Familia Counseling Services; and Awards Chairman Michael Cobb

FINES AND FOOLISHNESS

- **Kevin McGary:** Our all-time Red Badge record holder had a birthday on 1/25. *Belated birthday fine issued!*

- **Paul "The Godfather" Martin** claimed that he is retired from the real property business (sort of). We're glad he's still making offers they can't refuse. *Protection fine issued!*



Kevin McGary, Red Badge extraordinaire

WANTED:



**HAYWARD ROTARY
CLUB MEMBERS**

**TO WORK AT THE
ROWELL RANCH
RODEO FUNDRAISER**

REQUIRED!

**SATURDAY, MAY 20
and
SUNDAY, MAY 21**

**Members are required to work at the Rodeo on both days.
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- **Sid Hamadeh**, proprietor of Eko Coffee Bar which is right across the street from the Rotary Club meeting, found the distance too great to arrive on time to serve a greeter. President-elect nominee **Sid** immediately greeted everyone, but it was too late to avoid having his fine card punched. *Hello fine issued!*
- **Roger Power** seven months ago retired from the rank of Captain with the Sherriff Department. He's looking very relaxed these days! **Roger** has been a stalwart member of Rotary for 26 years. *Top-of-the-mountain fine issued!*
- **Ron Peck** is a practicing attorney and a three-year member of Rotary. **President Sean** thanked **Ron** for "volunteering" all four days of the Rodeo. *Volunteer fine issued!*
- **President Sean** fined himself for serving up a double dose of "dad jokes," starting with this doozy: The Dalai Lama was at Casper's Hot Dogs, where Sean heard him say to the server "make me one with everything." **Mark Salinas** egged on the Prez to do another. **President Sean** went on to say that he enjoys watching competitive origami folding, but can never find the competitions on TV, because they are on pay per view. *MOVING ON....*

transferring from the Rotary Club of Gunneson, Colorado where he was an active member before relocating to Hayward. **President Sean**, assisted by **Sergeant-at-Arms Janiene Langford**, swore him in with the "official" Rotary children's dictionary. Welcome to the Club, **Jason!**

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: HAYWARD ROTARY CLUB PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Michael Cobb is the chair of the Hayward Rotary Club Professional Excellence Awards program. The program annually honors one outstanding Hayward professional in each of three sectors: private, public, and nonprofit.



Nominees are non-Rotarians who have demonstrated extraordinary professional achievement in service to the Haywsrd community. Nominations for the *Michael Cobb* award are submitted by Hayward Rotarians. Winners are selected by the Professional Excellence Awards Committee.

Congratulations to the 2017 honorees:



President Sean Reinhart and Jason Carmichael

NEW MEMBER SWEARING-IN: JASON CARMICHAEL

Jason Carmichael is Director of Athletics at Cal State East Bay in Hayward. **President Sean** sponsored **Jason's** application to join the Hayward Rotary Club. **Jason** is

Hayward Rotary Club Professional Excellence Awards

Private Sector:

Jessi Clifton

Life Chiropractor West
Nominated by Janiene Langford

Nonprofit Sector:

Aaron Ortiz

La Familia Counseling Services
Nominated by Ed Mullins

Public Sector:

Andrew Ghali

Hayward Firefighters Local 1909
Nominated by Pam Russo

SIDESHOW: BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

In the spirit of the record-breaking new live-action film version of the Disney classic "Beauty and the Beast", **Michael Cobb** held a mock election to find out which Hayward Rotary Club member was the "Belle" and which the "Beast."

The voting was intense. Speculation and lobbying were rampant, and fierce debates consumed the membership. Some put forward **Michael Cobb's** name for both titles. This caused a near-mutiny among the Belle camp. **Michael's** name was withdrawn from Belle consideration, though he briefly remained the favorite for Beast among his base. At the end of the day, cooler heads prevailed and a compromise solution was found.

When the final results were tallied, Belle was a tie between **Pam Russo** and **Robin Wilma** with a runner up to Lady Kix Wilma. The Beast was **Nels Nelson**. Congratulations, all!

ADJOURNMENT

President Sean adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m. with congratulations to all the award recipients for their professional excellence and good work helping make Hayward a stronger and healthier community.

Next week 3/27: Rotary Youth Speech Contest Area 2 Semi-Finals hosted by **Mark Salinas**.



Robin Wilma, Nels Nelson, Pam Russo, and Lady Kix

HAYWARD ROTARY CLUB CALENDAR



MAR 27 - MARK SALINAS

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APR 3 AMAN DHUPER - CEO ST. ROSE HOSPITAL

APR 10 ED MULLINS - OUTSTANDING HAYWARD ROTARIAN

APR 17 DR. MATT WAYNE - HAYWARD SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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