





Weekly Bulletin 6/29/26 Demotion

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To all members (current, former & honorary); speakers, community members and friends and family associated with our Rotary Club. This bulletin has been made just for you. We hope you enjoy!!
Reminder, you're always welcome to join us for lunch on Mondays or attend any of our community service projects!

Chartered March 12, 1959
Serving the Greater Sacramento Area communities of Antelope, Elverta, Foothill Farms, McClellan, North Highlands and Rio Linda

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Club Information

Welcome to our Club!



Service Above Self

Mondays at 12:15 p.m.



Demotion Dinner Night, passing of the Gavel from 3X PP Patrick to President Miguel starting his 2nd year!

Call to Order



Patrick started the evening at the podium and guided us thru the basic commencement festivities. Dominic & Roland were our greeters, Pat led us in the pledge and Lee provided a thoughtful invocation. From there we dove into introductions for all 27 attendees. So, who was there? Let me tell you! Table 1 was the

Magnani following which included Patrick & Jennifer Magnani, Dan & Linda Magnani (Pat's parents from Concord), his brother Bob Magnani, the kiddos: Anthony & Madeline Magnani and his trusty executive assistant from Edward Jones, Geri Lane.

The adjacent table had Dominic & Mary Mecklenburg, Lee & Susan Wiggins and prospective Rotarian Denise Hawkes with her daughter Olivia. Table 3 had Roland & Diane Wright, Bob Spears with partner Judy Nichols, Teresa Ferrer and PDG's Stephen & JoAnn Lemmon. The final table included Brent Seizer with his girlfriend Kathy, Christian Dumlao and his girlfriend Tiffany and Miguel & Tonya Benitez. Yes, we had a full house which made it that much more exciting! Hey, where were you??

WEEKLY CLUB CALENDAR

07/06 Amanda Sylva, Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 07/13 "Bulletins in Club Runner" by Dominic (how to)
 07/20 **11:30 Board Mtg + DG Visit to our club!**
 07/27 Fellowship @Waymaker Brewing -Golf Simulator
 530pm at 10529 Fairway Dr in Roseville

08/03 Jacob Peterson - Big Brother Big Sister of Sac
 08/10 Katie Hallsten-Sac Zoo

Lions Gate Hotel at McClellan Park
 3410 Westover Street
 North Highlands (McClellan),
 CA 95652
 United States of America

Mondays at 12:15 PM



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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Roland Wright
 July 21

Richard Hansen

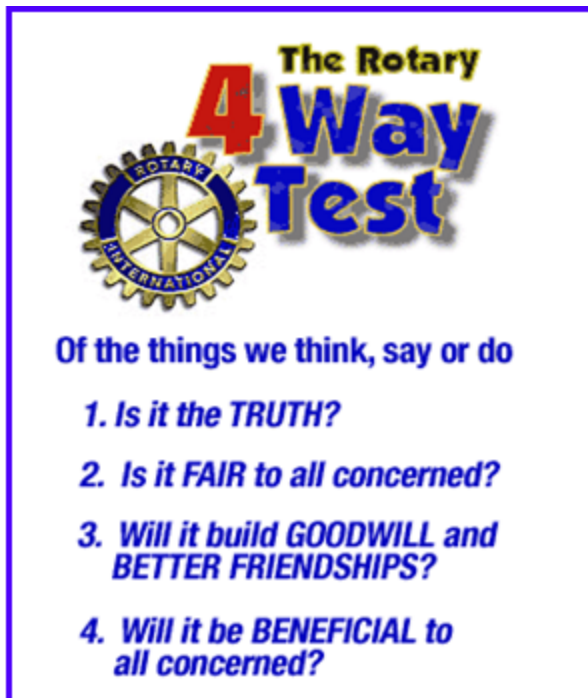
08/14 (FRI) = Board Meeting @ Miguel's House
 08/17 Reg Meeting, Program TBD
 08/24 Reg Meeting, Program TBD
 08/31 DARK / 5th Monday (or Fellowship?)

09/07 DARK / Holiday Week (Labor Day)

10/29 to 11/1 = District Conf & Fdtn Dinner in TAHOE!

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

See above for the full list of attendees including members, guests and even prospective Rotarians!



Announcements

Earlier in the day (because there is Rotary going on everywhere), we had our monthly meeting for the NH Roundtable @ NHRPD. While the agenda was heavy in detail for CNH planning, we took a moment to recognize long term community advocate and dedicated sponsorship chair Emily Briggs. She is moving out of the zip code (and the state) and was so popular due to her involvement, support and passion for the 95660 that Assemblyman Josh Hoover's office, Senator Ashby's office and even County Supervisor Rich Desmond's office presented framed certificates of recognition in honor of her service. Congrats & Best wishes Emily, you will be greatly missed!!

August 19

Sam Morgan

August 27

Spouse/Partner Birthdays

Diane Wright

July 17

Join Date

David Hansen

July 1, 2023

3 years

Judy Nichols

July 1, 2023

3 years

Dave Lopez

July 8, 2024

2 years

Dayme Meyer

July 8, 2024

2 years

Steven Martinez

July 12, 2016

10 years

Shirley Smith

July 15, 2015

11 years

Janet Fazekas

July 25, 2005

21 years

Pat Magnani

July 25, 2011

15 years

Roland Wright

August 7, 2008

18 years

Brent Seizer

August 13, 2013

13 years

Miguel Benitez

August 13, 2020

6 years

Lee Wiggins

August 24, 1984

42 years

Mo McBride

August 24, 1992
34 years



Emily Briggs (2nd from Right) with her collection of awards!!

Continuing with announcements, Roland has stepped up his game with online selling of FHRC stuff! Yes, his neighbor donated a beautiful bed frame/set and he both listed and SOLD it online for \$150. Every dollar counts and it surely HELPS our small but mighty club fund scholarships and perform service projects. On a side note, Roland and team Hallsten emptied BOTH trailers that were loaded and leftover from our last estate sale into our storage units--thank you to Roland & our Hallsten helpers, you guys rock!!!



Patrick also announced the Demotion Golf Tournament Results: Longest Drive: Dominic. Closest to the Pin: Patrick. Most memorable moment (and for the annual rotating trophy); Roland (pictured above), who played (quite well) with a broken thumb! What can't that guy do?? Geez!!

FINES AND RECOGNITIONS

We bypassed this segment for the Demotion Dinner



We reached our annual goal on 6/22 so we took the night off from collections. Fiscal year ends 6/30, so we'll be back soon!

The Rotary Foundation



BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS PAUL HARRIS STUFF

Miguel Benitez	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+3
Christian Dumlao	(P)(B)(GRIF)	PHF
Teresa Ferrer	(GRIF)	PHF+1
Robert Hale	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+1
Richard Hansen	(B) (GRIF)	PHF+ 8
Crystal Harding	(GRIF)	PHF
Joe Kaiser	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 8
Patrick Magnani	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+3
Dr. Steven Martinez	(GRIF)	PHF
Julian Love		
Dominic Mecklenburg	(P)(B)(PHS)	PHF+ 8
Sam Morgan	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+8
Brent Seizer	(P)(GRIF)	PHF
Bob Spears	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 3
Lee Wiggins	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 7
Roland Wright	(Bx2)(GRIFx4)	PHF+ 8

Bell Ringer & Gong Bonger Codes:

(B) = Bell Ringer is \$100 to our Club

(GFHF) = Gong \$100 to Club Foundation

(GRIF) = Gong \$100 to RI Foundation

(PHS) = Paul Harris Society \$1000 to RI Fdtn

Highlights of Today's Meeting

We had a blast tonight, that's for sure. Shortly after dinner began, Dominic queued up a 130 slide power point recapping not only Pat's year, but really crossing over into his last almost 15 years in Rotary. The fun, the fellowship, the friendships and the service projects...it was all on display. With a little undercover help from his folks, we integrated some photos from his younger years, and thanks to AI we also automated some still images and converted them into customized video, some including custom tunes embedded for the audience's full enjoyment. (it's posted on our Facebook page, give it a peek!). It was great!!

Following the show on screen, we asked Pat to step outside and change into a some specialty clothes and of course his bling included some custom watch ware as he's known for being the man about time (or lack thereof), specifically his limited minutes allowable across many events. Hey, at least he can attend for a fixed amount of time, right?



Then, he came into the room as the crowd greeted him with thunderous applause and we seated him at the makeshift "workstation" desk we created for him, simulating his office at Edward Jones. Then, one by one, 6 appointments came up to his desk inquiring about specific stocks and seeking his guidance for any trading decisions. Some of those positions included: **MSFT, NACL, H2O, PJAM and FIFA**. Pat handled the pressure in stride and I'm pretty sure he had BUY or STRONG BUY recommendations for them all! The demotion planning committee knew we could never outdo the amazing Star Wars Demotion of year #1, so to end the show, we adopted the most favorable part of that former year's roast, an all out soaking from several in the audience who armed themselves with water guns to soak his ass at the end. Most folks on the firing squad filled their foam guns with ice water from the water pitchers on the tables. Poor pat, a chilling end to his demotion skit for sure!! See a few pics below which summarize all the fun. I think this was the audiences favorite part--they really got up close and personal for those water cannon blasts!!!



Ready, aim, fire!!!



Charge!!!



Teamwork at it's finest!!

Following that water park moment, Pat recognized his board of directors with a custom gift, an engraved cutting board with a beach theme, personalized to each recipient or their family. Pretty cool. Judy then conducted her giveaways, Denise walking away with an awesome whiskey basket and Patrick himself scoring another cool basket.

Then the official business for the changing of the guard began, Dominic handed Pat the PP pin, Pat handed Miguel the real President's pin, Jenn passed the spouse's pin to Tonya, and Mary gifted flowers to Jenn for being the incredibly supportive spouse all year long.

In the middle of this all, the club awarded Patrick his official gift and, yes, we broke tradition. Typically, the outgoing president would receive a plaque and 14k pin with a diamond in it, but multi-year presidents have so many of these (plus metal/gem prices are thru the roof), so the board opted for Plan B, something practical. Pat lost his "block rocker" earlier in the year when sadly it was stolen from his car parked in front of his house (in Roseville too, not a rough neighborhood!). So, we scored his replacement, a nice JBL unit, as the signature item and we know he'll use this ALL the time, including at Rotary functions. This made it an easy decision. Pat was quite touched by the thoughtful and custom choice, so we done good!

Finally, Miguel was presented with his new gavel for the year and issued his closing remarks before we toasted to Rotary around the World. And there you have it, we wrapped up another wonderful year in the books for FHRC. Until July, have a great day!!!

Fellowship

Coming to a theater near you very soon...6/29



In Loving Memory

JOHN HALLSTEN

1924 - 2019

**Donate to the Foothill-Highlands Rotary
Club "John Hallsten Vocational Service Fund"
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**In honor of the life and memory of John Hallsten,
this fund will be used specifically to further
Vocational Education.
[Students in our Rotary service area may apply].**

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Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands



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Rotary Club **Vocational Scholarship Award** Application 2021

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email _____

Current School: _____

Current Class Level: _____ Target Graduation Date: _____

GPA: _____ Student related to a Rotarian: Yes ___ No ___ Explain: _____

Minimum one page essay is required on what Community Service means to you. Please reference our Rotary Theme "Service Above Self**" please attach essay to this application when submitted.**

Intended college, university or trade school: _____

Intended Vocation and career goal: _____

List any Community Service hours: _____

Have you been an active member in one of the following? Check any that may apply:

RYLA: Interact: Rotaract: RYE:

Have you volunteered and worked at Community Service Events? _____

If Yes, Please Explain: _____

Would you attend our Rotary Club weekly lunch meeting as a guest speaker? _____

Intangibles, e.g. this student has overcome a hardship: _____

Note: Award recipients will be contacted and notified
Return to: Roland Wright @ Rwright@hallsten.com (916) 417-1426

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Thanks for reading our Club Bulletin this week! The transition from Microsoft Publisher into Club Runner for our Bulletin production will continue to evolve. If

you see something missing or that you would like to add or change, we welcome feedback. It will slowly but surely come together! Have a great day everyone!!!

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