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

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(a 501c-3 non-profit)

Estate Sale

Saturday Only

May 30th 2026 from 8am to 2pm

Furniture, household items, tools, art & much more!

All proceeds will go to fund local community service projects

7921 Walerga Road, Antelope, CA
(Old Umpqua Bank Parking Lot)



VISA BRING CASH but we can accept VISA, MasterCard and Venmo 

The Semi-Annual Estate Sale is BACK! Saturday, 8am to 2pm, May 30th, in the same parking lot as always (corner of Walerga & Elverta in Antelope, by the old Umpqua Bank and nearest Banfield pet hospital).

Club Information

Welcome to our Club!



Service Above Self

Mondays at 12:15 p.m.
Lions Gate Hotel at McClellan Park
3410 Westover Street
North Highlands (McClellan),
CA 95652
United States of America

Mondays at 12:15 PM



[District Site](#)



[Venue Map](#)

Executives & Directors

President
[Pat Magnani](#)

President Elect
[Miguel Benitez](#)

Immediate Past President
[Dominic Mecklenburg](#)

Secretary
[Miguel Benitez](#)

For those that can help, we will load the flatbed trailers on Friday after the BBQ at Freedom Park (ETA about 2pm-3pm). Come lend a hand (it's a like a free preview too, you can shop before the masses!!).

Call to Order



The meeting started on time. Brent Seizer led us in the Pledge to our flag and Teresa led us in our invocation. No visiting Rotarians, but we did have a guest/prospective future member! After our speaker (and program) which were bumped up

front due to time and schedule challenges, we were introduced to **Roman Prishlyak**. Roland invited Roman to visit our club and explained what Rotary is in our community.

WEEKLY CLUB CALENDAR

05/25 **DARK (No Mtg)** MEMORIAL DAY week
 05/29 Freedom Park Media Day & BBQ (Noon)
 05/29 Load Trucks/Trailers @ Rotary Storage (2pm)
 05/29 Demotion Planning Session 530pm @ Miguel's
 05/30 ESTATE SALE, 8AM—2PM

06/05 Demo GOLF (at Woodcreek, 11am tee time)
 06/13 to 6/17 = International Conference in Taipei
 06/29 Demotion Dinner @Lions Gate Hotel

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

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Treasurer
[Dominic Mecklenburg](#)

International Service
[Maria Teresa Ferrer](#)

International Service
[Lee Wiggins](#)

Public Image
[Dominic Mecklenburg](#)

Rotary Foundation
[Robert Spears](#)

Webmaster
[Richard Hansen](#)

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Dave Lopez
 May 4

Pat Magnani
 May 25

Robert Hale
 June 16

Lee Wiggins
 June 22

Anniversaries

Robert Hale
Janice Hale
 June 22

Join Date

Joe Kaiser
 May 1, 1986
 40 years

Maria Teresa Ferrer
 June 30, 1998
 28 years



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Announcements

President Pat went over some brief announcements today and the main highlight was that we are having our Media Day on 5/29 at Freedom Park at Noon. Roland and Patrick printed flyers to hand out at our meeting and the NH Roundtable meeting. We are going to put those new grills to the test!! Dogs, burgers, buns, chips, water and soda will be present, and if Judy is involved at all, endless dessert options!

Speaking of which, one thing we've tripped over transitioning to this new bulletin format is the absence of heartfelt gratitude to our Sunshine Lady and master baker! Not only does Judy continue to provide us some love in the baked goods category, but she is also responsible for the custom greetings cards you receive for your birthday and club/wedding anniversaries. Shout to Judy Nichols...many thanks for all you do!!

And, on that note, Judy brought a cake in for Joe Kaiser as he celebrated:

40 years with Rotary

on **May 1st**. He was not present to eat the delicious cake, but the rest of us did enjoy it on his behalf. No doubt he's at the bank making a sizeable withdrawal for his future wheel spin/Gong celebration! Ha!!



Vocational Minute

We had two vocational minutes today which included Brent Seizer and Roland Wright.



Brent works for the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration. Brent does computer security to maintain the privacy of the tax payers and businesses here in CA. He has been in Information Technology

field since 1982! With over 44 years experience, he plans to retire from the state in 2030. Plenty of time for him to be club President 2-3 times!



Next we had the FAMOUS Assistant District Governor for Area 2, **5x FHRC President**, SVP and part owner of Hallsten Corporation...Roland Wright! Roland explained his past history of growing up in Rio Linda and attending RLHS. It was then, when his metal shop teacher drove him to Hallsten Corp and met John Hallsten, founder and owner of Hallsten Corporation. He started at age 17 as a ROP (Region Occupation Program). Roland does detailed aluminum manufacturing for large scale projects all over the Nation and has done so for the past 45 years. WOW!!

Estate Sale: 5-30-2026



Our club's next major fundraiser will be the semi-annual estate sale!

It'll be a 1 day event, Saturday 5/30, from 8am to 2pm, in the parking lot of the old Umpqua Bank (our usual location). That's on the

corner of Walerga & Elverta in Antelope.

This will be a scaled back version of our typically larger event, focusing on trailers full of large items in storage and about 10 tables of miscellaneous items. This will help both free up space in our storage unit AND generate some much needed club income for our 501c-3 Foundation activities! If you would like to support us, there is a DONATE HERE link below!

[DONATE HERE](#)

FINES AND RECOGNITIONS

Joe was basking in the sunlight again, out playing hooky from Rotary. Where is that crazy cat? Hopefully he'll be back in June!

Meanwhile, back to our regularly scheduled program already in progress...**Christian** wanted to spin the wheel because his A's lost to the Phillies and spun a 2 (that means everybody pay \$2); then he spun the wheel again for the loss to the Giants!! **Patrick** spun the for the Giants win against the A's! He spun another 2!! (the 2nd and additional 2's spun on the same day just equal \$2 for the spinner).



The carafe collection was missed today, but if the bulletin editor can brag here for a second...one special reader messaged in after reading last week's bulletin and donated \$50 towards our Polio Campaign on behalf of our club. WOW, that was a delightful surprise and will certainly help us get closer to our club goal with 5 weeks to go! Any other hero's out there are more than welcome to copy our friend from last week :)

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		PHF
Joe Kaiser	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 8
Julian Love		
Patrick Magnani	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+3
Dr. Steven Martinez	(GRIF)	PHF
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

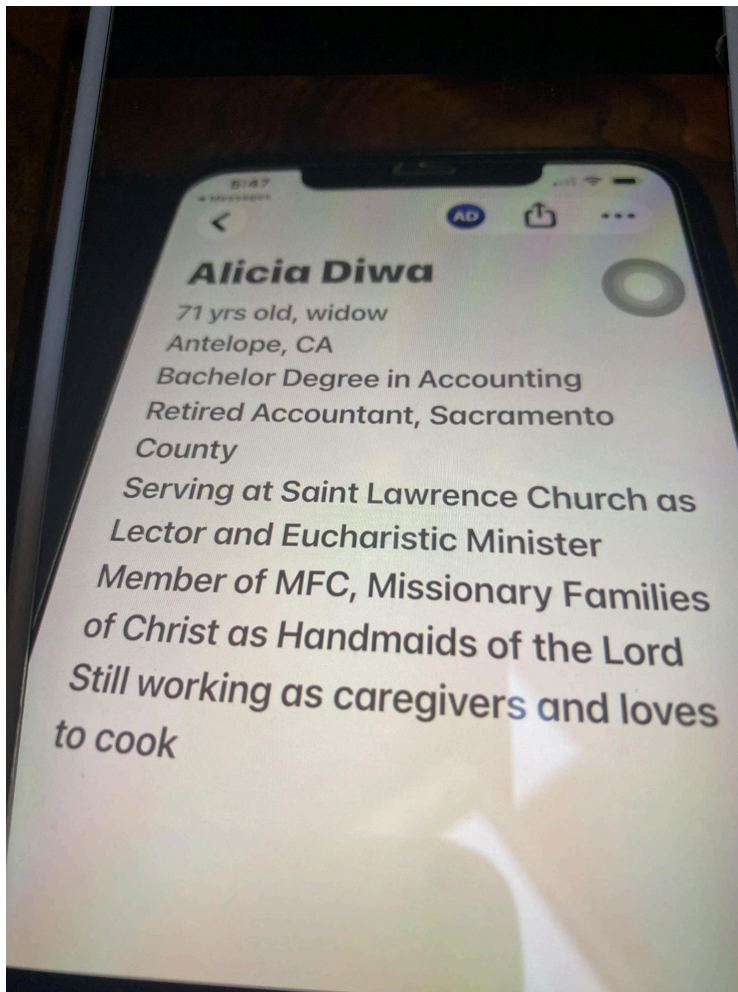
Bell Ringer & Gong Bonger Codes:

(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



Speaker Bio from Teresa (above)

Highlights of Today's Meeting

We had Alicia Diwa as our speaker. She needed to leave early so we had Alicia start our meeting off with her experiences in life. She moved here to the United States from the Philippines and attempted to move her whole family here. She moved everyone but her oldest son. She moved here and started her career in accounting and ran numbers most of her life for the state of California in Sacramento County. She is now retired, and her goal is to rest her brain from NUMBERS!

She is now a caretaker for elderly people who need help with cleaning, bathing, cooking, laundry and anything else. She is very positive and follows the Lord. Serving at St. Lawrence Church as Lector and Eucharistic Minister Member of MFC (Missionary Families of Christ) as Handmaids of the Lord.

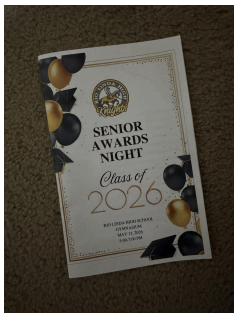


Rotary

THE FOUR-WAY TEST
of the things we think, say or do

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Russell-Hampton Item #R89295M



Mason receiving award from Dominic

Oversized check for full effect!

RLHS Senior Awards Night Program

IPP Dominic Mecklenburg was present at RLHS on 5/13 to award a vocational scholarship (\$250) to one lucky student. This year's winner was Mason Thiel, who wrote a delightful essay on the topic of **"Service Above Self"**

Mason's passion for community service was evident throughout his essay and he graduates this year with intentions to begin at Butte Community College in the fall in pursuit of his vocational goal of becoming a heavy equipment operator. We wish him well!!

Fellowship

We enjoyed our lunch and then we all toasted to Rotary Around the World.

Rotary

Club of Foothill-Highlands

You and your significant other are invited to our club's annual DEMOTION DINNER!

*Monday, June 29, 2026
7pm @ the Lion's Gate Hotel → \$58ea
[6:15pm No-Host Cocktails at the Bar]*



We will close out President Patrick's year with some great fun and fellowship like never before.

We will also welcome Miguel into office as our new President for his 2nd term!

Please RSVP with your attendance and meal choice by 6/24 to:

Roland Wright
916-417-1426
rwright@hallsten.com



Demotion Golf will be in Roseville this year, June 5th at Woodcreek Oaks. We have 4 signed up for the full day (Roland, Miguel, Dominic & Patrick), and 1 joining us for the tail end

(Christian). Tee time is 11am, cart, lunch and fellowship included! Winners and prizes will be shared at the post event debrief (bar) and at the demotion dinner!



In Loving Memory
JOHN HALLSTEN
1924 - 2019

Donate to the Foothill-Highlands Rotary Club "John Hallsten Vocational Service Fund"
A non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.
EIN 68-0392810

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].

Mail checks to:
Foothill-Highlands Rotary Club
P. O. Box 6
North Highlands, CA 95660-0006

Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands



FOOTHILL FARMS - ANTELOPE - MCCLELLAN PARK - RIO LINDA - ELVERTA - NORTH HIGHLANDS

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!!!