



# The Highlander

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF FOOTHILL-HIGHLANDS



### 2016-17 Rotary Leadership ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

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## Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands President 2016-17

### Dominic Mecklenburg

**Dominic Mecklenburg** is a retail store manager for Umpqua Bank in Antelope, CA. He has been employed in the financial services industry for the past 20 years, spending 10 years with Wells Fargo and the most recent 10 years with Umpqua Bank.

**Dominic** graduated from U.C. Davis with degrees in Economics and U.S. History; Subsequently, he added a degree from I.T.T. Technical Institute in Computer Network Systems Technology.

**Dominic** and his wife, **Mary** have been married for almost 6 years. They live in Roseville, CA. and have three children: **Jeffrey**, **Nicholas** and **Steven**.

A Rotarian for nine years, **Dominic** has served as Club Treasurer, Program Chair and Club President. This is his second stint as President. He is an active member of the local community. **Dominic** is a current Board Member for the Center Endowment for Educational Excellence and has been a PTA Treasurer for Creekview Ranch Middle School. **Dominic** has also coached baseball teams for Woodcreek Little League and basketball teams for Hot Shots in Rocklin.

**Dominic** enjoys traveling, outdoor recreation and spending time with his family.

## CALL TO ORDER

**President Elect Roland Wright** began the meeting promptly 12:15 p.m. Substituting for **Richard Hansen**, PP **Maureen McBride** served as today's official greeter. Leading us in the pledge was **Sonja Cameron** and substituting for **Sam Morgan**, PP **Joe Kaiser** provided the invocation. PP **Maureen McBride** served as the note taker.

## VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Visiting Rotarians included **Howard Stagg** from the Rotary Club of Arden Arcade and Assistant Governor Area 8 **Ray Ward** from the Rotary Club of Fair Oaks.

Other guests included our speaker **Trudy Harris** from Team Giving, scholarship recipients and their guests (see separate article for details.)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BACKPACK PROJECT:



Last week President **Dominic Mecklenburg** enthusiastically announced, that once again, the Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands will collect backpacks for under-served youth in the Center Joint Unified School District. We will collect backpacks each Monday during the month of August.

Due to the nature and circumstances of this week's meeting, we will begin collecting the backpacks at next week's meeting.

This week's Sunday edition of *The Sacramento Bee* had several "deals" on backpacks enabling us to make a real impact for these students. Let's set our goal for at least 20 backpacks.

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DISTRICT 5180 WEBSITE: <http://rotary5180.com>

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## USED/BROKEN EYEGLASS JOINT LIONS CLUB PROJECT:



Recently, the president of the Antelope Lions Club visited our club; and we are going to partner with them to collect used/broken eyeglasses. We will have an official receptacle at our weekly meetings for this purpose.

Remember to bring your used/broken glasses next week.

## AUGUST BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:



The August board meeting is currently scheduled for **Tuesday, August 9th** starting at 5:30 p.m. at

the bank across the street from the Edward Jones offices.

**Please watch for a possible change to this schedule.**

A light dinner and refreshments will be available.

Just as a reminder: All members are invited and even encouraged to attend.

## OFFICIAL DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT:

The **official District Governor's Visit** is scheduled for **Monday, August 15th**.

The board of directors will meet with **DG Barbara Tracy** at 10:30 a.m. in the Sherman Room and our regular meeting will begin at 12:15 p.m.

Visiting us that day as well will be former RYE Student **Mario Morales**.

All members are strongly encouraged to attend.



The Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands has reserved a table at the District Foundation Dinner on **Saturday, October 22nd** at the **Red Lion Inn** on Hwy. 160.

Mark your calendars and watch for additional details to follow.

## E-Waste4Good Program

You can bring anything, anytime to Umpqua Bank or **President Dominic Mecklenburg** is happy to collect your "electronic junk" on Mondays at our regular meetings. If you would like to schedule a pickup at your home or office location, just let him know!

The goal for the year is \$600.

A BIG thanks to **Sonja Cameron** who filled up her SUV with E-Waste and brought it to today's meeting.

## District 5180 Family Picnic

PP **Maureen McBride** announced District 5180 will hold its first annual **Family Picnic** on **Sunday, August 21st** at Discovery Park in Sacramento from **11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

**The cost is \$7 per person if you bring your own food and \$20 if you purchase food from Capital City Catering.**

**Bob Mutchler** and his band will perform for your listening pleasure, a bounce house for the kids, volleyball and lots more.

For those wishing to attend, the online registration is now available on the district website and has a link to the registration form.

Please advise **Mo** if you plan to attend and perhaps we can arrange for carpools.



**Of the things we think, say or do**

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

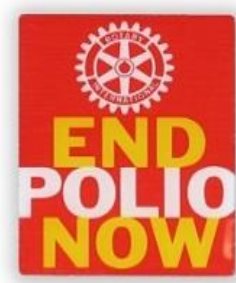


PP **Maureen McBride** gave an update on **Margaret Hansen's** recent health crisis. **Margaret** spent last week at Mercy San Juan following a mild heart attack. Late yesterday **Margaret** was transferred to Whitney Oaks Care Center in Carmichael where she'll continue to recuperate.

Also on the Sick Call is **President Dominic** who has been diagnosed with pneumonia.

We send our best wishes for a speedy recovery to **Margaret** and **Dominic**.

## END POLIO NOW CAMPAIGN



Foundation Chair **David Stone** is continuing with the Polio Banks and asks that you —

**BRING YOUR CHANGE — FOR CHANGE.**

The **END POLIO NOW** campaign is one of Rotary International's top priorities this year. Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have extended their partnership during the critical endgame phase of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. Thanks to this partnership our contributions are matched two for one—\$25 becomes \$75.

This year's goal is \$1,000. The yield from this week's **Your Change For Change** banks was **\$17.00**.

## ANNUAL GIVING/PAUL HARRIS SUSTAINING FELLOWS

We continue our goal to have **Every Rotarian** contribute at least **\$100** to **The Rotary Foundation** and strive to achieve the status of 100% EREY and 100% Paul Harris Sustaining Fellows for the third year in a row.

## FINES AND RECOGNITIONS

**Finemaster Bob Spears** began by recognizing **PP Roland Wright** for his July birthday on the 21st and his Rotary anniversary on the 7th. **Roland** spun the wheel twice—for his birthday, he paid \$8 and for his Rotary anniversary, he paid \$13.

**Bob** then called upon **Dr. Gerred Popejoy** to receive his new Rotary badge. When **Dr. Popejoy** heard **Roland** celebrated his birthday on July 21st, he said they shared the same birthday. With this new-found knowledge, **Bobby** requested that **Dr. Popejoy** spin the wheel twice as well — one for his new badge and the second spin for his July birthday or another option was to pay a flat \$25 which he chose to do.

Next to be recognized was **PP Bob Meyer** who joined Rotary on August 16, 1969. **Bobby** spun the wheel for \$4.

**PP Lee Wiggins** joined Rotary on August 24, 1984 and miscalculated the number of years he's been a Rotarian so **Bobby** made **Lee** spin the wheel twice—one for \$9 and again for \$5.

**Bobby** left the podium advising everyone they should be reading *The Rotarian Magazine*. Rotarians beware!!

## WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2016

**GREETER: JOE KAISER**

**PLEDGE: JOHN HALLSTEN**

**INVOCATION: GERRED POPEJOY**

**NOTE TAKER: RICHARD HANSEN**

## DISTRICT NEWS

**AG Area Ray Ward** had several announcements regarding upcoming district events.

Rotary District 5180 is hosting a **Young Professionals Happy Hour** at **Coin-Op Sacramento**, 908 K Street on **Thursday, August 4th** at **5:30 p.m.** The festivities will include old-school arcade games, food, fun, fellowship and drinks.

There will be a **Strategic Membership Planning Seminar** on **Saturday, August 13th** from **8:30 a.m. to Noon** at the **Ramada Inn**, 2600 Auburn Blvd., Sacramento. **Register online** at **[www.rotary5180.org](http://www.rotary5180.org)**. There is no fee for the seminar.

**AG Ray** also mentioned the **First Annual District 5180 Family Picnic** (see flyer for details.)



## BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Jordan Backhaus	(GRIF)	PHF
Sonja Cameron		PHF
John Hallsten	(GRIF)	PHF+ 5
Richard Hansen	(GRIF)	PHF+ 7
Joe Kaiser	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 7
Gordon Lipp	(GRIF)	PHF+ 2
Gene Long	(GRIF)	PHF
Gene Long Sr.		
Patrick Magnani	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF
Dr. Steven Martinez		
Maureen McBride	(GRIF)	PHF+ 8 +
Dominic Mecklenburg	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 8 +
Bob Meyer	(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Marilee Monagan	(GRIF)	PHF+ 2
Sam Morgan		PHF+ 5
Gerred Popejoy	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PDF
Bob Spears	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 3
David Stone	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 7
Lee Wiggins	(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Roland Wright	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 6

### *Bell Ringer & Gong Codes:*

(B) = Bell Ringer hi\$100 to Club

(GFHF) = Gonger \$100 to Club Foundation

(GRIF) = Gonger \$100 to RI Foundation

(RIF) = \$100 to Rotary Foundation

A Paul Harris Fellow is an individual who contributes \$1,000 to the Rotary International Annual Program Fund or other approved programs. Each additional \$1,000 contribution is recognized with a plus and the number.

### ROTARY FOUNDATION BENEFACTORS

#### NAME

Hallsten, John  
Hansen, Richard  
Kaiser, Joe  
Lipp, Gordon  
Long, Gene  
Magnani, Patrick  
McBride, Maureen  
Mecklenburg, Dominic  
Meyer, Bob  
Monagan, Marilee  
Morgan, Cheryl (Sam)  
Spears, Robert B.  
Stone, David M.  
Wiggins, Lee N.  
Wright, Roland

A Benefactor (has contributed \$1,000 to the Permanent Fund or made provisions in their will of at least \$1,000 benefiting The Rotary Foundation).



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

#### CLUB CALENDAR:

AUG. 8	RON HARDER/SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING
AUG. 15	DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT 10:30 A.M. MEETING WITH BOARD 12:15 P.M. REGULAR MEETING
AUG. 22	OFFICER JOE BALDI/MARIJUANA PROHIBITION
AUG. 29	EVENING MEETING: ART DEARDOFF TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTION ON FACEBOOK, WEBSITE, ETC.
SEPT. 5	LABOR DAY-DARK
SEPT. 12	ERIC LOFHOLM/MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER AND BUSINESS COACH

#### DISTRICT 5180 CALENDAR:

AUG. 13	STRATEGIC MEMBERSHIP PLANNING MEETING
AUG. 21	DISTRICT-WIDE PICNIC
OCT. 22	DISTRICT FOUNDATION DINNER
MAY 5-7	DISTRICT CONFERENCE IN SANTA CLARA
MAY 20	RI PRESIDENT JOHN GERM DINNER SACRAMENTO

## DISTRICT GRANT— SCHOLARSHIP PROJECT

During the 2015-16 Rotary year, a committee comprised of **President Gene Long**, **PP Patrick Magnani** and **PP Roland Wright** distributed scholarship applications to local high schools in our service area as well as to those students who are members of Sac State's Rotaract Club.

After reviewing the completed applications, 20 students were selected to each receive a \$500 scholarship.

Ten of those students joined us at Rotary today to be recognized for their achievement and to receive their respective checks. They were **Harmeen Bains, Irena Becnazarova, Devin Elmore, Eric Muller, Scott McCann, Seth McCann, Katrina Nowack, Kelson Patterson, Jr., Mario Soto, Claire Westvik, Sondra Wildman** and **Christopher Wojcik**. Along with the students there were parents and friends who accompanied them—**Lorie McCann, Dane Westvik, Petra Martinez, Mario Soto's mom, Gabe and Trish Elmore** and **Ben Wildman**.

As each student's name was called, they came forward and gave a brief bio including their school, the college they will be attending and their major. When the presentations concluded, **PE Roland** remarked, "these are our future leaders" and asked us to join him in congratulating them.

Truly an impressive group of young men and women!



**Eric Muller, Sondra Wildman and  
PE Roland Wright**

Both **Eric** and **Sondra** are members of the Rotaract Club at Sac State. **Sondra** will serve as President in the coming year.

Congratulations to all the students and best wishes in their future endeavors.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK'S MEETING

**Program Chair Jordan Backhaus** introduced our speaker **Trudy Harris**. Earlier this year, **Trudy** and her friend **Cynthia Woods** embarked on a new venture to create a path for volunteers who want to provide service to the non-profit community.

**Trudy** and her partner bring more than 25 years of non-profit experience to Team Giving with their cumulative backgrounds in coordinating volunteer projects, community activities and developing strong partnerships. They provide expertise in non-profit marketing, social media and event coordination and are able to help coordinate projects from conception to completion. Team Giving charges no fees for their services and are proud to support the continued success of local communities through their work.

Team Giving is a non-profit organization that provides support to the community by soliciting businesses, corporations and service groups to commit to volunteer projects for the purpose of fulfilling specific non-profit needs. They facilitate the coordination of services and projects between regional non-profits and the business/corporate/service group community.

The idea of creating Team Giving came from an increasing need for businesses and corporations to demonstrate their commitment to the community through volunteer projects.

Since its inception, Team Giving has coordinated over 30 volunteer projects with 185 volunteers all over the region and are

proud of the positive impacts their venture has had on volunteers as well as the community.

They have worked with the Rotary Clubs of Auburn, Elk Grove and Pocket-Greenhaven as well as such organizations as the American Cancer Society, Boys and Girls Club of Sacramento, PG&E, Auburn Chamber of Commerce and the Schools Credit Union.

**Trudy** and **Cynthia** have a passion to help the non-profit community. **Trudy** shared that studies have shown that volunteering is as good for the volunteer as it is for the recipient. When we volunteer, we not only make our communities stronger, we experience greater social connection, enjoy an enhanced spirit and feeling of well-being and we gain valuable experience. Donating your time is one of the most noble things you can do for your community.

Volunteers can sign up on their website: [www.teamgiving.org](http://www.teamgiving.org) or through their companies.

**Trudy** is about to embark on a new project to inspire local youth to get involved with volunteering.

Team Giving is marketed through local chambers of commerce, referrals and social media.

Thanks to **Jordan** for bringing us another interesting program.



**PE Roland Wright** and **Trudy Harris**

As is our usual custom, **PE Roland Wright** presented today's speakers with a gift in gratitude for her informative presentation.

Then, **President Roland** asked us to raise our glasses and join him in a toast to *Rotary Around the World*. The meeting was then adjourned.

## DISTRICT 5180 FAMILY FUN PICNIC & BAR-B-QUE

**INVITED:** FAMILIES, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, CO-WORKERS

**PLACE:** DISCOVERY PARK- REDBUD, SACRAMENTO, CA

**DATE & TIME:** SUNDAY AUGUST 21, 2016  
11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM +



**ENTERTAINMENT:**

**LIVE BAND: ROTARIAN BOB MUTCHLER & HIS BAND OF DOCTORS, BOUNCE HOUSE, FUN GAMES, HORSE SHOE PITS, VOLLEYBALL**

(We encourage you to bring any additional sports equipment and extra seating that you might want to use and share)

**MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE BY AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>** (Copy & Paste LINK below into internet browser):

<https://rotarypassport.vapsody.com/event/index/45519/district-5180-family-fun-picnic-bbq>

**PRE-PAID PRICE PER PERSON:**

**ADMISSION (Bring you own Food & Beverage)** **\$ 7.00**

(We will provide charcoal & starter fluid if needed)

**CHILDREN 8 YEARS AND YOUNGER- Free**

**OR,**

**ADMISSION INCLUDING FOOD** **\$20.00**

BAR-B-QUE CHICKEN, COLE SLAW, POTATO SALAD, WATERMELON

COOKIES, ICED TEA, LEMONADE & WATER

**CHILDREN 8 YEARS AND YOUNGER- Free**

**FOR SALE:**

**BEER, WINE & SODAS, BOTTLED WATER, SNOW CONES**

**DIRECTIONS/MAP/PARKING:**

**EASY ACCESS OFF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 5**

Discovery Park is located at 200 Jibboom Street, Sacramento off Interstate 5 and Richards Blvd., or the Garden Highway exit north of downtown Sacramento. Take either of these exits and follow the signs to the Park. [View map of Discovery Park picnic areas.](#)

<http://www.regionalparks.saccounty.net/SpecialEventsReservations/Documents/Discovery%20Park%20Picnic%20Map.pdf>

**PARKING: \$5 PER VEHICLE**



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- Desktop Copiers
- Telephones
- Vacuum Cleaners
- Keyboards
- Mice
- Networking Equipment
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- Medical Equipment
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FOR HELPING  
US!!**



### E-WASTE RECYCLING IS HERE!

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO GET RID OF SOME UNWANTED CLUTTER AND HELP OUR CLUB RAISE SOME MONEY. THEY WILL ACCEPT ANY PIECE OF ELECTRONICS INCLUDING TV'S, COMPUTERS, APPLIANCES, CORDS, KEYBOARDS, MICE AND EVEN POWER TOOLS. THE HEAVIER THE BETTER (WE GET PAID BY THE WEIGHT!) ANYTHING WITH A CORD IS ACCEPTABLE, AND THEY TAKE THE CORDS TOO. THEY SEPARATE AND RECYCLE THE PLASTIC, METAL...EVERYTHING! IF YOU HAVE ITEMS TO DONATE, GIVE ME A CALL TO COORDINATE THE PICKUP. SOME ITEMS I CAN COLLECT AT OUR WEEKLY MEETINGS TOO! IF YOU HAVE FRIENDS OR RELATIVES THAT HAVE SOME E-WASTE, I CAN ARRANGE FOR A FREE PICKUP FOR THEM TOO!

THIS IS AN ONGOING PROJECT. CONTACT DOMINIC FOR MORE INFORMATION.

You can also call eWaste-4good at 800-317-3112 and tell them proceeds are to go to The Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands.

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Your donated vehicle will provide critical funding to our charity and further our mission while supporting our goals. Even better, by donating your vehicle - you could also earn a tax deduction.

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Your donation has another great benefit - it is good for the environment. We share your commitment to a cleaner, greener environment - and donating your car ensures it is recycled via many different channels!

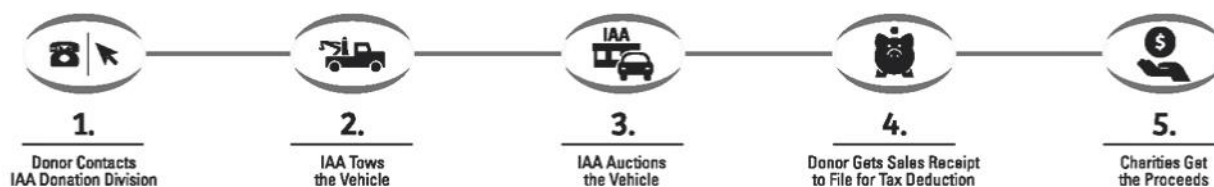
Not every "vehicle" is a car - but every vehicle, in any condition, can be donated!

### Not every "vehicle" is a car, but every donation helps!

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