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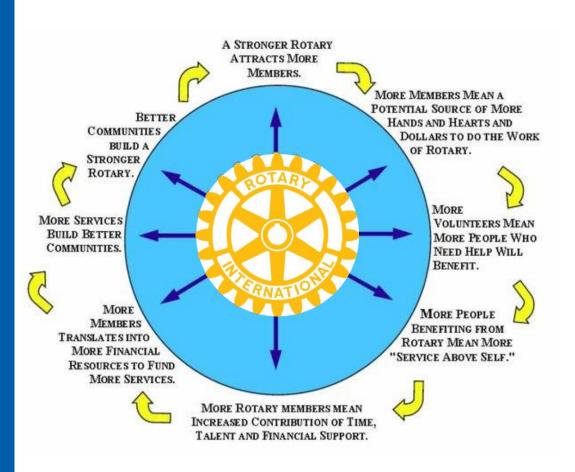
THE ROTARY CLUB OF FOOTHILL- HIGHLANDS

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August Membership Development and Retention Month



CALL TO ORDER

President Gene Long began the meeting promptly at 12:15 p.m. PP Marilee Monagan served as our official greeter. Leading us in the pledge was PP Dominic Mecklenburg and PP Lee Wiggins provided the invocation. Richard Hansen was the note taker.

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Joining us today were **Gene Long, Sr.**, President Gene's dad and our speaker **Cathy Wei** and her assistant **Laurie Gorham.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership Month

President Gene reminded those Rotarians present that August is Membership Month and he invited everyone to bring a guest to each meeting through the end of the month.

August Board Meeting

The August Board of Directors' meeting has been tentatively rescheduled for Tuesday, August 18th at 5:30 p.m. in the restaurant at the Lions Gate Hotel.

BRAKING NEWS- RANSOM NOTE RECEIVED- SEE PAGE 9

Missing Gavel

A ginormous version of **President Gene's** gavel appeared today. It'll be a temporary replacement until the original is returned.



At last week's meeting, **President Gene** announced if the gavel was returned to him by the end of the meeting, he would donate \$100 to the End Polio Now Campaign. Each week the gavel remains missing, the donation will be decreased by \$20. The donation is now down to \$80. If anyone knows the whereabouts of the gavel, please return it-no questions asked. The End Polio Now Campaign can use the money.

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Dues

Annual dues were **due July 31st**. If you have not yet paid, please send **Dominic** a check for at least half of the amount due as soon as possible.

School Backpacks

PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** announced we will be delivering nine backpacks to the Center Unified School District for students whose parents might not be able to afford new ones.

Thanks to those who brought donations.

Official District Governor's Visit

PP Maureen McBride reminded everyone the annual official District Governor's visit will be on Monday, August 31st. Governor Glenn Fong will meet with the Board at 10:00 A.M. in the Sherman Room followed by our regular meeting at 12:15 P.M. in the Fireside Room a.k.a. The Lion's Den.

Mo circulated a sign-up sheet to determine an accurate headcount for lunch. If you were not at today's meeting, please notify **Roland** of your plans to attend or not to attend this special meeting as soon as possible.

Rotary House

PP **Joe Kaiser** worked at the Rotary House pouring concrete.

North Highlands Jubilee

Jeff Donlevy reminded the Rotarians the NH Jubilee is only **60 days** away. **Jeff STILL** needs help with this event so please call him and volunteer your expertise.

E-Waste4Good Program

You can bring anything, anytime to Umpqua Bank or PP **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!

Dominic and **Joe** picked up several items last week including an old stove. The income so far this year is \$47.24.

Rotary House

Fabulous news! After making a presentation recently at the Rotary Club of Roseville, **Lynette Andersen** was invited back "for some money." PP Roland Wright attended the presentation. Rotary House was given a check for \$1,000; and the Rotary Club of Roseville committed to becoming a "sustaining club." Lynette asked that each sponsoring club send a note to the Roseville club thanking them for their contribution.



Lynette Andersen and Allen Archuleta, Jr. President of the Rotary Club of Roseville

FOUNDATION NEWS



END POLIO NOW

As we begin a new Rotary year, **Mo** reiterated the club's goals for the End Polio Now campaign. For the past two years, we have exceed our goal of \$500 and collected in excess of \$1,000. So, this

year's goal is \$1,000. We will continue to have our **END POLIO NOW** banks on the tables at our weekly meetings.

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.

BRING YOUR POCKET CHANGE TO ROTARY. WE NEED **YOUR CHANGE FOR CHANGE.**

The yield this week from the banks is \$12. To date, we have collected \$137.81—only \$862.19 to meet our goal.

We can do it!!!!!!!

ANNUAL GIVING

Mo shared that our goal is 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 second year in a row. We will be recognized at the District Foundation Dinner in November for this achievement.

To date, we have three (3) paid Paul Harris Sustaining Fellows and three (3) additional members who have bonged the gong but have not yet paid. Only 13 more and we'll have reached our goal of being a 100% Paul Harris Sustaining Fellow Club.

DISTRICT 5180 FOUNDATION DINNER President Gene would like to reserve a table of ten (10) at this year's **Foundation Dinner** on **Saturday, November 7th** at the **Doubletree Hotel on Arden Way.**

As soon as additional information is available, we will pass it along.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

FOUNDATION RECOGNITIONS

Paul Harris Sustaining Fellow

PP and Foundation Chair **Maureen McBride** thanked **PP Bob Meyer** and **John Hallsten** for their recent contributions of \$100 to The Rotary Foundation and becoming 2015-16 Paul Harris Sustaining Fellows.

Mo gave Bob and John stickers for their respective badges in recognition of their contributions.

We couldn't do the things we do without the support of Rotarians around the world.

A BIG thanks to **Bob** and **John** for their ongoing support of The Rotary Foundation.

JOKES

PP **Bob Spears** told a joke, but there was no fine-free pass issued.

Join in the fun and come to next week's meeting with a joke to share.

FINES AND RECOGNITIONS

Finemaster **Maureen McBride** asked if anyone had any **happy thoughts**.

Mo shared that she and hubby Chuck hosted their granddaughters for four days this past week. When they returned them home Sunday night, they were informed by the girls' parents that the girls were texting them every night giving them a detailed summary of their activities. Mo and Chuck were told they received outstanding grades for their grand-parenting skills.

Mo spun the wheel for \$10.

It appeared that Past Presidents **Joe Kaiser** and **Patrick Magnani** had a great weekend as well. They both attended *Hot August Nights* in Reno. **Patrick** got to drive his father-in-law's corvette back from Reno. Both spun the wheel—**Patrick** for \$15 and **Joe** for \$8.

President Gene shared his youngest daughter started her senior year in high school. He spun for \$8.

President Gene was chastised for forgetting to wear his Rotary pin, yet again. He paid \$1.

Richard Hansen has a birthday coming up on August 19th. **Richard** bonged the gong for \$100 to The Rotary Foundation.

Happy Birthday, Richard!

There being some spare time prior to the start of today's program, Sgt.-at-Arms **Mo** decided to play some *Rotary Jeopardy*.

She called upon **PP Lee Wiggins** and asked him if he knew the name of this year's R.I. President. He did not so he spun the wheel for \$3.

PP David Stone was sitting at the same table so **Mo** asked **David** if he knew the answer. To her delight, **David** knew not only the President's name but his country of origin. Way to go, **David**!

Mo then asked Sonja Cameron if she knew this year's international theme. Sonja tried to wiggly her way out of answering stating that she was a scooter and her "buddy" should have to answer the question. Nothing doing. Sonja spun the wheel for \$3. Mo held up the theme banner showing, "Be a gift to the world."

Since **PP Patrick Magnani** is Sonja's "buddy," **Mo** asked him if he knew if anyone else in President Ravindran's family had been a Rotarian. **Patrick** took a good guess but was incorrect so he spun the wheel for \$8. The answer was his father and grandfather.

PP Dominic Mecklenburg was asked if he knew what business President Ravindran was in. He didn't know and spun for \$2. Everyone had to pay \$1.

President Gene was asked the same question and correctly answered Tea Bag Packaging. Finally, he was fine free.

Mo forewarned the Rotarians they should brush up on their Rotary trivia.

Thanks to everyone who participated.

BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Jordan Backhaus		PHF
Sonja Cameron		PHF
Warren Coffeen		PHF+ 1
Jeff Donlevy	(B)	PHF
John Hallsten	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 5
Richard Hansen	(GRIF)	PHF+ 6
Joe Kaiser	(B)	PHF+ 7
Gordon Lipp	(GRIF)	PHF+ 2
Gene Long	(GRIF)	PHF
Patrick Magnani	(B)	PHF
Maureen McBride		PHF+ 8 +
Dominic Mecklenburg		PHF+ 7
Bob Meyer	(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Marilee Monagan		PHF+ 2
Sam Morgan		PHF+ 4
Bob Spears	(GRIF)	PHF+ 2
David Stone		PHF+ 5
Lee Wiggins		PHF+ 4
Roland Wright	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 5

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS
AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP
AND EXTENSION MONTH

CLUB CALENDAR:

AUG. 17 TBA

AUG. 24 TBA

AUG. 31 OFFICIAL DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT

SEPT. 7 DARK—LABOR DAY

SEPT. 14 SACRAMENTO COUNTY DA ANNE

MARIE SCHUBERT

SEPT. 21 SAM MORGAN/ROTARY RELICS

DISTRICT 5180 CALENDAR:

AUG. 15 ROTARY ZONE MEMBERSHIP—OPEN TO CLUB AND DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

AUG. 24 6TH ANNUAL ROTARY DISTRICT 5180 GOVERNOR'S CUP

SEPT. 19 FOUNDATION SEMINAR

OCT. 23 WORLD POLIO DAY

NOV. 7 DISTRICT FOUNDATION DINNER

DOUBLE TREE HOTEL

MAY 19-22 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

DOUBLE TREE HOTEL/BERKELEY MARINA

WEEKLY ASSIGNMTENTS

MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2015

GREETER: MAUREEN MCBRIDE

PLEDGE: BOB MEYER

INVOCATION: SONJA CAMERON NOTE TAKER: RICHARD HANSEN

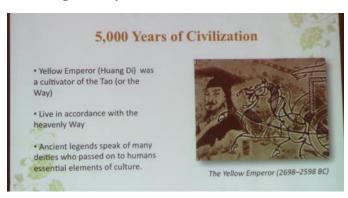
HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

PP and Program Chair **David Stone** introduced our guest speaker, Cathy Wei. She is a licensed Landscape Architect working in Northern California. She is a multi-talented designer and holds a Master's Degree from Harvard University - Graduate School of Design. As an immigrant from China 19 years ago, Cathy enjoys the freedom in America. She is particularly interested in helping to promote traditions Chinese and bridge understanding of the Eastern and Western **Cathy** volunteers for several cultures. community organizations in the Sacramento area. She currently serves as the Vice President on the board of Chinese American Council of Sacramento (CACS).

Cathy's presentation was about the renaissance of traditional Chinese culture.



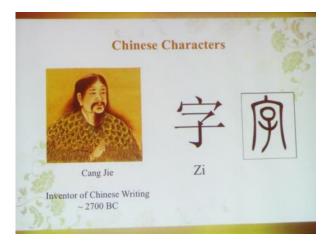
The long history of Chinese culture.



Cultural values.



Chinese writing.

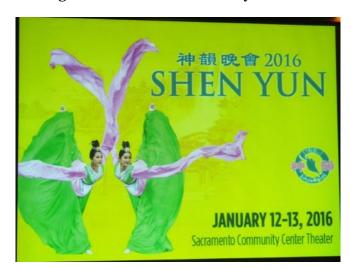


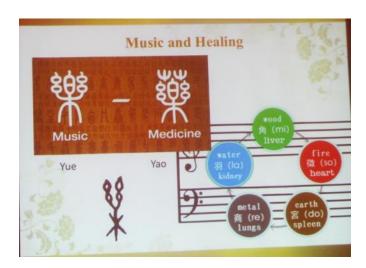


Chinese music.



Coming to Sacramento in January 2016.











President Gene and Cathy Wei

As is our usual custom, **President Gene** presented **Cathy** with a gift in gratitude for her informative presentation.

Then, **President Gene** asked us to raise our glasses and join him in a toast to *Rotary Around the World*.

The meeting was then adjourned.



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?

Gavel Ransom Note





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!

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