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# The Highlander

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF FOOTHILL- HIGHLANDS

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# August Membership Development and Retention Month

#### **Some Members Keep A Club Strong**

Some members keep a club strong While others join just to belong Some dig right in, some serve with pride Some go along just for the ride While some lie back and just don't care Some give their best, some help, some make others do nothing, only take Some greet new members with a smile And make their coming so worthwhile While some go on their merry way, With never a greeting or kind word to say Some make their club to grow and grow When asked to help they don't say "No" Some drag, some pull, some don't some do Consider, which of these are you?

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Gene Long began the meeting promptly at 12:15 p.m. PP Maureen McBride served as our official greeter. Leading us in the pledge was PP Bob Meyer and PP Pat Magnani provided the invocation. Richard Hansen was the note taker.

## VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Joining us today were President Gene's dad, **Gene Long, Sr.**, Rotarian **Bear Williams** from the Midtown-Sacramento Club and our speaker, Rotarian **Lynette Andersen** from the Rotary Club of North Sacramento.

#### **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 throughout the month.

#### **August Board Meeting**

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

#### **Missing Gavel**

The official gavel is still missing while multiple replacements keep appearing.

If anyone knows the whereabouts of the official gavel, please return it-no questions asked.



#### 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.

**Roland** 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.

Just a reminder—this is one of our mandatory meetings.

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#### 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!

The income so far this year is \$47.24.

#### **Big West Rotaract**

PP **Roland Wright** announced that District 5180 has joined the Big West Rotaract MDIO. This is a multi-district collaboration recognized by Rotary International. Its primary purpose is to provide leadership development and education for Rotaract Club members on the West Coast through seminars, online resources and conferences.

The Big West Rotaract MDIO organizes an annual Conference and Institute for incoming Presidents Elect and Governors Elect. The conference is scheduled for October 16-18 in Seattle, WA. **District Governor Glenn Fong** is the catalyst behind our involvement and this is the first time our district has participated. **District Governor Glenn Fong** and **District Rotaract Chair Roland** would like to provide financial support for four (4)

Rotaractors in this district to attend the upcoming Conference and to experience the scope of Rotaract and are asking clubs and Rotarians in the district to help.

See letter at the end of the bulletin for further details. (page 11)

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP AND EXTENSION MONTH

#### **CLUB CALENDAR:**

AUG. 24 GENE LONG/HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE HOLES

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. 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 24, 2015

**GREETER: BOB SPEARS** 

PLEDGE: MARILEE MONAGAN

INVOCATION: JEFF DONLEVY

NOTE TAKER: RICHARD HANSEN

#### **Book Bag Project**

**Gordon Lipp** brought two backpacks to today's meeting and gave them to **PP Donimic Mecklenburg.** 

Thanks to **Gordon** for his donation and to **Dominic** for spearheading this project.

#### **River Cats Tickets**

**PP Maureen McBride** announced that District Polio Plus Chair **Tom Cicchini** has 120 River Cats tickets available for purchase. There are approximately 16 +/- home games left.

The tickets are behind the River Cats dugout about 20 rows back in Sections 117 and 118. They cost \$14 each which is 36% below the face value.

The schedule for the remaining games is as follows: August 18-22, August 31 and September 1-7—all at 7:05 p.m. except September 6th which is at 5:05 p.m.

If anyone is interested in attending any of the games, contact **Mo** as soon as possible; and let's see if we can organize a fellowship event at the River Cats.

#### **SUNSHINE**

#### **Update on Erik Nooren**

PP **Maureen McBride** received an email from **JoAnn Nooren** which was sent to our members last week. The email stated that **Erik** had suffered a stroke.

**Mo** circulated a card for the Rotarians to sign and it was mailed later in the day.

**PP David Stone** had spoken to **JoAnn** earlier in the day and gave an update on **Erik's** condition. He is resting comfortably and would love to hear from his friends in Rotary.

We send **Erik** our very best wishes for a speedy recovery.

#### **FOUNDATION RECOGNITIONS**

## PAUL HARRIS SUSTAINING FELLOWS

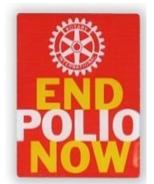
PP and Foundation Chair **Maureen McBride** thanked **Richard Hansen** for his recent contribution of \$100 to The Rotary Foundation and becoming 2015-16 Paul Harris Sustaining Fellow.

**Mo** gave **Richard** a sticker for his badge in recognition of his contribution. There are now four members who have the special stickers affixed to their Rotary badges.

Rotary couldn't do the things it does without the support of Rotarians around the world.

#### **FOUNDATION NEWS**

#### **END POLIO NOW**



Our goal this year for Polio giving is \$1,000. We continue to have our **END POLIO NOW** banks on the tables at our weekly meetings.

We ask 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.

The yield this week from the banks is \$10. To date, we have collected \$147.81—only \$852.19 to meet our goal.

We can do it!!!!!!!

## ANNUAL GIVING/PAUL HARRIS SUSTAINING FELLOWS

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.

To date, we have four (4) paid Paul Harris Sustaining Fellows and five (5) additional members who have bonged the gong and pledged \$100.

Only ten 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.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

#### **JOKES**

**President Gene** didn't ask for any jokes this week so no one volunteered to provide one.

#### FINES AND RECOGNITIONS

Finemaster **Maureen McBride** asked if anyone had any **happy thoughts**—new cars, new boats, new houses, new outfit, new anything? There were no takers.

**Mo** then called on PP **Lee Wiggins** who arrived a tad late for the meeting. She was concerned as it is <u>so</u> not like **Lee** to be late. **Lee** bonged the gong for \$100 to Rotary Foundation.

PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** was next. **Dominic** bonged the gong for \$100 to Rotary Foundation.

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

Being a senior member of Rotary, PP **Bob Spears** was asked to recite the Four-Way Test. He jumbled parts of it so **Mo** had him spin the wheel for \$3.

The next question was for PP **Bob Meyer**. He was asked where our Founder Paul Harris was born. He did not know. **Mo** asked **John Hallsten** the same question and got the same answer. The correct answer was Racine, WI. **Bob** and **John** each paid \$1.

Up next was **PP David Stone** who was asked where Paul Harris grew up. **David** gave several locations—none of which satisfied **Mo. David** spun the wheel for a two. All Rotarians paid \$1.

The correct answer was Wallingford, Vermont.

With time still on the clock, **Mo** decided to ask one additional question.

She called upon **Gordon Lipp** and asked him the date of the first Rotary meeting. **Gordon** had the year correct but not the month or date. Not sure what happened after that.

It being 1:00 P.M. **Mo** turned the podium back over to **President Gene**.

### Yikes! This job is more difficult than it looks!!!!!

Kudos to **Past Presidents Bob Spears** and **David Stone** who have made it look so easy.



#### 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?

## 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 | (GRIF)    | 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         | (GRIF)    | 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.

#### **ROTARY FOUNDATION BENEFACTORS**

#### **NAME**

Donlevy, Jeff 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).

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

PP and Program Chair **David Stone** introduced our guest speaker, **Lynette Andersen** from the Rotary Club of North Sacramento.

**Lynette** is a family law attorney. She has been a Rotarian since 1993 and has served her club in many capacities, including Past President. She has held several positions at the District level, including Assistant Governor and is currently serving as the District Peace Chair.

**Lynette** has been a member of the Oak Park Rotary House Foundation Board since its inception and was the first president of the board and is currently the secretary.



A long, long time ago, in what seems like a galaxy far away, seven Rotary clubs in District 5180 decided to consolidate their efforts on their Centennial Project. The clubs involved are Arden Arcade, Foothill-Highlands, Mid-Town, North Sacramento, Orangevale, Sacramento Breakfast and South Sacramento. It is a Centennial Project that all of District 5180 can be proud of. And, like Rotary Park, it is a valuable, permanent, public relations

tool.

The address of Rotary House is 4070 Second Avenue, Sacramento. It is within walking distance of Shriners Hospital. The Centennial Project was to construct a single family, two-bedroom house (using donated materials and labor) and to manage the house after construction. The purpose of the house was to provide living accommodations for a child who is undergoing long-term (combination in-patient/outpatient) medical procedures at Shriners Children's Hospital and an adult family member/caregiver.



The seven clubs formed a 501(c)3 non-profit foundation, The Oak Park Rotary House Foundation, and set about the task of acquiring a lot near the Shriners Children's Hospital in Sacramento. After a two and one-half year process, which included an ill-timed legal battle over prevailing wages and donated government property, the land was acquired from the City of Sacramento. Several roadblocks and detours later, Steve Braford, a non-Rotarian with experience through Habitat for Humanity, volunteered to be our project

manager/general contractor.



And, while it gives new meaning to the Chinese proverb, *Be not afraid of going slowly, be afraid only of standing still*, Oak Park Rotary House is going; and lately, it hasn't been that slowly. Once we got started, its amazing how quickly it was completed.

Professionals donated their time and labor and companies donated materials. It actually looks like a beautiful house!

Below is a picture of the first family to occupy the home.



In early 2013, we partnered with U.C. Davis Medical Center which is also located within walking distance of the home.

Currently, we work with the Social Worker at U.C.D. who has become our liaison with families most in need of our house.



Rotary House is an on-going project and the clubs involved can always use an extra pair of hands. If you would like information about Rotary House or would like to contribute, identify a prospective donor, or participate in any way, call Lynette Andersen, (916) 925-2787, landersen@lawtml.com.

# What can you do to help? ✓ VOLUNTEER (join a committee) ✓ IDENTIFY a child in need ✓ BECOME a annual "sustaining partner" club or a participating "partner" club or a participating "partner" club on the board ✓ DONATE: club or individually (501c3) Contact us by telephone or email to learn more.



Lynette Andersen and President Gene

As is our usual custom, **President Gene** presented **Lynette** 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.





Thursday, July 24, 2015

Dear District Governor Glenn Fong of District 5180:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Directors for the Big West Rotaract MDIO, it is our distinct pleasure to welcome you and District 5180 as a new member-district of our Multi District Informational Organization (MDIO)!

As you are aware, Big West Rotaract MDIO is a multi-district collaboration recognized by Rotary International. The primary purpose of Big West Rotaract is to provide leadership development and education for members of Rotaract Clubs on the west coast of the United States through leadership seminars, online resources, and leadership conferences.

Big West Rotaract MDIO annually organizes the Big West Rotaract Conference and the Big West Rotaract Institute, which includes both the Rotaract President Elect Training Session (PETS) and the Rotaract Governor Elect Training Session (GETS).

As a member-district, your district is entitled the following benefits and rights:

- One (1) voting seat during our annual Big West Rotaract Legislative Assembly. This year's Legislative Assembly is on Sunday, October 18, 2015 in Seattle, WA.
- Discounts to select Big West Rotaract MDIO events for all Rotaractors in your district
- Access to all Big West Rotaract MDIO training events and conferences.
- Regional Rotaract MDIO leaders to help your district grow Rotaract, including new club support.
   Available by phone and email by request
- Additional auxiliary services for member-districts only, including web hosting & website development for Rotaract Club sites, Rotaract membership database, MDIO grants for Rotaract Club projects, and many more.
- Also includes other benefits and rights not listed here.

Thank you for supporting Rotaract!

Should you or your district ever need anything, they are always welcome to connect with us directly at <u>collaborate@bigwestrotaract.org</u>. We look forward to working with your district to grow Rotaract and Rotary!

Yours in Rotary,

Mitty Chang

Mitty Chang, Chair '15-'18 Board of Trustees Big West Rotaract MDIO Ð

Jermaine Ee, General Secretary '15-'18 Board of Directors Big West Rotaract MDIO





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

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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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- Trucks
- Motorcycles
- · Personal watercraft

#### The process is easy. Here's how it works:



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