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Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands



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



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES



Annual Holiday Party at the Lions Gate Hotel

Happy Holidays from the Rotarians and guests



Diane and President Roland Wright

CALL TO ORDER

We were dark at noon in anticipation of our annual holiday party which began with no host cocktails at 6:00 p.m. in the Lobby Bar at the Lions Gate Hotel. **President Roland Wright** called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and thanked **Sam Morgan** for serving as Greeter. PP **Bob Spears** led us in the pledge and PP **Patrick Magnani** provided the invocation. **Richard Hansen** was the note taker and photographer.

ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Eighteen Rotarians and guests were in attendance for our annual holiday gathering. Attendees included PP **Joe Kaiser**; PP **Patrick Magnani** and his wife, **Jennifer**; IPP **Dominic Mecklenburg** with wife **Mary**; PP **Bob Spears** and his friend **Judy Nichols**; **Richard Hansen** and son, **David**; PP **Lee Wiggins**; and **President Roland Wright** and wife, **Diane**; ADG **Dave Veden**; **Pastor Robert Hale**; former member **Sharon Bias**; former member **Janet Fazekas**; **Sam Morgan** and partner **Dick Biddle**.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 12/13 Board Meeting at the Lions Gate, for lunch, at 12:15, with ZOOM if you choose.**
12/20 NO Meeting, Christmas week
12/27 NO Meeting, New Years week
1/24 Regular Meeting at the Lions Gate, for lunch, at 12:15, speaker realtor, Dave Lopez, with ZOOM if you choose.

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021

GREETER: PASTOR ROBERT HALE

PLEDGE: JOE KAISER

INVOCATION: BOB SPEARS

NOTE TAKER: RICHARD HANSEN

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Rotary Club Address

P.O. Box 6 North Highlands, CA 95660-0006

We meet on Mondays at 12:15 p.m.

Lions Gate Hotel and Suites

McClellan Business Park

3410 Westover Street

McClellan Park, CA 95652

WHEN WE DO NOT MEET ON ZOOM

CLUB WEBSITE: www.foothillhighlandsrotary.org/ (Club Runner)

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



DONATE TO HELP OUR ROTARY CLUB SUPPORT LOCAL CHARITABLE AND NONPROFIT CAUSES.

Foothill-Highlands Rotary Club Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.

EIN 68-0392810, PayPal link on Club Website: <http://www.foothillhighlandsrotary.org/>

RECOGNITIONS

“**Mrs. Always Wright**, **Holiday Trivia** hosted by **Diane Wright**, proved to be a fun and challenging endeavor for many. There were some BIG winners on the night, **Judy Nichols** (**Bob Spears**’ guest) was super sharp as was **Jan Fazekas**, **Dave Veden** and **Sharon Bias**. They each took home a fun prize. There were some wheel spinners alright...some of which included: **Robert Hale** for 9, **Jennifer Magnani** for 9, **Dominic** for 9, **Patrick** for 4, **Judy** for 9, and **Roland** for 3 to name a few. All wheel spins tonight for the holiday party were Just for Fun and will not be billed. Our holiday parties have traditionally been fine free and in the spirit of the season, we will stay true to that. Thanks to all the volunteers and participants in our Trivia tonight”

HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK’S PROGRAM

IPP **Dominic Mecklenburg** began by reporting on recent activity in the Club.

1. **Wreath sales**, 60 local items, 39 direct deliveries, an estimated net profit to be over \$600 for the club. This is our only CLUB fundraiser (operating account), so I wanted to say thanks to everyone. We could buy candy or other goodies but this is a real good feel good fundraiser, yes?
2. -> Winner/prizes,
 - #1 @ \$680 = **Sam Morgan**
 - #2 @ \$430 (500) = **Jeff Donlevy**
 - #3 @ \$421 = honorable mention, \$9 difference, **MIGUEL!**
3. **Crystal** says Hi



Santa with one of the fundraiser prizes.

4. Sunshine activity **Bob Meyer/Gordon Lip** cookie baskets,
5. shelter box donation, \$500
6. e-waste, going strong.
7. estate sale donations (TY **Lee**, **Sharon** & **Jan** + ink)

Santa Dominic Mecklenburg began the gift exchange by having the attendees chose a number to determine in what order they would be called upon to choose a gift.

He then explained the rules of the game—a gift is chosen, stolen and finally retired.

Before the gift exchange began **Bob Spears** friend **Judy** gave out hand made ornaments to all the attendees.



Santa AKA Dominic Mecklenburg began the gift exchange.



Gift exchange table



Bob Spears



Janet Fazekas



Diane not happy with gift, it was a joke gift, Santa took it back.



Diane Wright and Lee Wiggins



Lee Wiggins

Rotarians and guests enjoying fellowship and dinner



Rotarians and guests with Santa



Janet Fazekas



Patrick and Jennifer Magnani



Diane, Mary and Jennifer



Mary Mecklenburg



Sharon Bias



President Roland with our server, Sharon



Richard and David Hansen



Lee Wiggins



Diane, Mary and Jennifer



ADG Dave Veden with President Roland



Diane and President Roland Wright



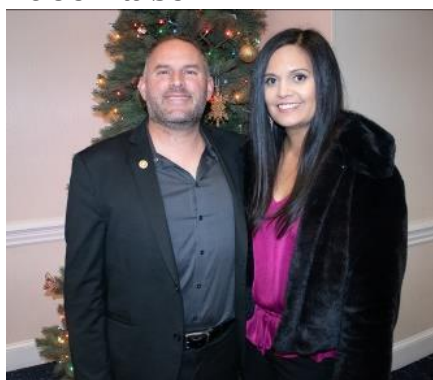
Diane and President Roland Wright



Joe Kaiser



ADG Dave Veden



**Patrick and Jennifer
Magnani**



**Sam Morgan and partner Dick
Biddle.**



**Pastor Robert Hale and
President Roland**



**Bob Spears and his
friend Judy**

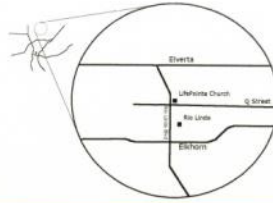
E-waste Recycling

Fellow Rotarian **Dave Veden** contributed to our e-waste recycling cause, his company Associated Sound making yet another donation (truckload). Pictured below is the haul **Dominic** loaded up and delivered to Hallsten Corp on the morning of 11/23. **Hallsten Corp** is our new holding area for e-waste recycling collection and pickup (**Thank you Roland!**)



Dave and Dominic

Following the Meeting **President Roland** asked the group to stand, raise their glasses and join him in a toast to Rotary Around the World.



LOCAL COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT 2021-2022

Our club and your local church are working to raise funds to provide a fun and safe area for the children of our community to play at LifePointe Church in Rio Linda.

From fund raising events, club donations and church donations we've raised enough to install the flooring for this project but need your help to raise enough for playground equipment.

Please visit our website or reach out to us if you would like to help or get more information on this exciting project!

ROTARY CLUB OF FOOTHILL HIGHLANDS

President Roland Wright

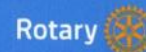
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ROTARY CLUB OF FOOTHILL HIGHLANDS & LIFEPOINTE CHURCH PLAYGROUND PROJECT



www.rotary.org



PEOPLE OF ACTION

The Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands has served the Greater Sacramento Area communities of Antelope, Elverta, Foothill Farms, McClellan, North Highlands and Rio Linda areas since 1959.

Through meetings, social events, and volunteer projects, our members learn about the issues facing our community and communities all over the world, partnering with local, national, and global experts to exchange ideas about potential solutions and to draw up action plans to respond. Along with these opportunities to serve, members also are able to regularly network, resulting in lifelong friendships and business connections.

Our club is proud to partner with local organizations like LifePointe Church to bring services that those in our area need and enjoy.

We are a proud part of this community and of Rotary International. Rotary is a global network of more than 1.2 million members who believe that great things happen when dedicated minds come together. We are community and business leaders representing different professions, experiences, and perspectives but with a shared desire to connect with others to address the challenges affecting our community and communities around the world.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

The goal of this project is to provide a safe space outdoors for the younger children to play at LifePointe Church in Rio Linda. The first stage of changes are scheduled in November of 2021.

The children will walk directly from the building exit door right into this play area and return indoors without being exposed to the roadway. Protection bollards will be installed to protect the area from cars. SAFE recycled rubber flooring installed on the hard surfaces will protect the children from falls.

If we can raise sufficient funds, the play set and shade canopy will give the kids a safe and fun place to play. The church, local families dropping off their children will all benefit from this safe and contained environment.

GET INVOLVED

If you're interested in volunteering to help us with the playground construction, please contact Roland Wright at (916) 417-1426

Cash donations can be made via PayPal at the link on our website foothillhighlandsrotary.org

Donate your old car by calling our club treasurer, Dominic, at (916) 995-4006

Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases when you shop at AmazonSmile. <https://smile.amazon.com>

Things like this take a lot of work but seeing how much everyone has done first hand there is no doubt in my mind this is just one project of many we can do to make a difference.

— Miguel Benitez

This is such a wonderful service by the Rotary group giving the kids of the community a safe place to play and assuring them that they are loved. Thank you Rotary Club! God bless you

— Rev. Robert Hale


SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

**Rotary
District 5180
CONFERENCE!**

April 29 - May 1, 2022

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District 5180

**CREATING TODAY'S
SUPER HEROES**

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TAHOE**

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Speakers**

Adrienne Bankert
(formerly of KCRA
Channel 3 and Good
Morning America!)

Father Boyle
Homeboy Industries

Wade Nomura
PDG D5240

Join us for
a great
weekend
of
celebration,
awards,
and fun!

ROTARY FOUNDATION BENEFACTORS

NAME

Hansen, Richard
 Kaiser, Joe
 Lipp, Gordon
 Magnani, Patrick
 Mecklenburg, Dominic
 Meyer, Bob
 Morgan, Cheryl (Sam)
 Spears, Robert B.
 Wiggins, Lee N.
 Wright, Roland

A Benefactor is someone who has contributed \$1,000 to the Permanent Fund or made provisions in their will of at least \$1,000 benefiting The RI Foundation.

E-Waste4Good Program



President Dominic Mecklenburg announced that our E-Waste program is going strong with monthly pick-ups at Umpqua Bank. **Starting next week all items need to be delivered to the Hallsten Corporation in North Highlands. We have received \$160.30 this Rotary year.**

ESTATE SALE

Impressive estate sales number, **\$5219.36 (collected)** 😊 this Rotary year.

Topic: Rotary Zoom Meeting

This is a recurring meeting

Join Zoom Meeting
 Occurs every Monday effective 5/17/2021 until 4/25/2022 from 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86245299428?pwd=TWFTUmRrK3ZxckpuaVh6ZHhyb3JDZ009>

Meeting ID: 862 4529 9428
 Passcode: 399637

The
Rotary
 Foundation



BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Migual Benitez	(GRIF)	PHF
Teresa Ferrer		
Robert Hale	(B)(GRIF)	PHF
Richard Hansen	(GRIF) (B)	PHF+ 8
Crystal Harding-Jenkins		
Joe Kaiser	(GRIF) (GFHF)	PHF+ 8
Gordon Lipp		PHF+ 4
Patrick Magnani	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 1
Dr. Steven Martinez		
Dominic Mecklenburg	(GRIF) (B)	PHF+ 8
Bob Meyer		PHF+ 5
Sam Morgan		PHF+ 6
Bob Spears	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Lee Wiggins		PHF+ 5
Roland Wright	(GRIF) (B) (GFHF X2)	PHF+ 8

Bell Ringer & Gong Codes:

(B) = Bell Ringer \$100 to Club

(GFHF) = Gong Bonger \$100 to Club Foundation

(GRIF) = Gong Bonger \$100 to RI Foundation

(JH) = A donation to the John Hallsten Vocational Service Fund

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

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

END POLIO NOW CAMPAIGN



EVERYONE BRING YOUR POCKET CHANGE — TO AFFECT CHANGE BY ENDING POLIO THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

The **END POLIO NOW** campaign is still one of Rotary's top priorities. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have extended their partnership with Rotary during the critical endgame phase of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

Ink and Toner Cartridges Mini Fundraiser



PP Dominic is continuing to collect spent ink and toner cartridges as a mini-fundraiser for the club.

IT'S SO EASY TO DO!

Keep a plastic or paper bag by your printer. As you replace the ink or toner cartridges, put the old ones in the bag and bring them to Rotary.

Amazon Smile

Support Foothill-Highlands Rotary by shopping at AmazonSmile. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases when you shop at AmazonSmile. Use this link:

<https://smile.amazon.com>

AmazonSmile has brought in , \$39.25 YTD



In Loving Memory
JOHN HALLSTEN
1924 - 2019

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.

Donate to the Foothill-Highlands Rotary Club, "John Hallsten Vocational Service Fund"

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Mail checks to:

Foothill-Highlands Rotary Club
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North Highlands, CA 95660-0006



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?**



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ROTARY CLUB**

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- Desktop Copiers
- Telephones
- Vacuum Cleaners
- Keyboards
- Mice
- Networking Equipment
- Misc Wires and Cords
- Household Phones
- Medical Equipment
- Video Games
- Computers
- Calculators
- Cell Phones
- Printers
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- Stereo Systems
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We also do free business and residential pickups throughout Northern California.

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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.