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# The Highlander



## THE 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

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*Rotary Foundation*

## Annual Holiday Party

## at the Lions Gate Hotel

**Happy Holidays from the Rotarians and guests**



## CALL TO ORDER

We were dark at noon in anticipation of our annual holiday party which began with no host cocktails at 6:30 p.m. in the Lobby Bar at the Lions Gate Hotel. **President Roland Wright** called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and thanked **Richard Hansen** for serving as Greeter. PP **Joe Kaiser** led us in the pledge and PP **Lee Wiggins** provided the invocation. **Richard Hansen** was the note taker and photographer.

## ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Twenty one Rotarians and guests were in attendance for our annual holiday gathering. Attendees included PP **Joe Kaiser**; IPP **Patrick Magnani** and his wife, **Jennifer**; PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** with wife **Mary**; Honorary Member **Brent Seizer** and PE **Marilee Monagan**; PP **Bob Spears** and his office manger **Kimberley Peterson**; **Richard Hansen** and son, **David**; PP **Lee Wiggins**; and **President Roland Wright** and wife, **Diane**; PP **Bob Meyer** and his wife **Dayme**; ADG **Dave Veden**; RYE Host Family **Tanya** and **Talia Benetiz** with RYE student **Mario**; Rotarian **Craig Stevenson** and **Anne** from the Rotary Club of Sacramento.

**We meet on Mondays at 12:15 p.m.**  
**Lions Gate Hotel and Suites**  
**McClellan Business Park**  
**3410 Westover Street**  
**North Highlands, CA 95632**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### CLUB CALENDAR:

DEC 10	BOARD MEETING
DEC 16	DYLLAN BALASSI, KIDS HELPING KIDS SACRAMENTO
DEC 23	NO MEETING - CHRISTMAS WEEK
DEC 30	NO MEETING - NEW YEARS WEEK
JAN 6	CLUB MEETING PROGRAM TBA
JAN 13	CLUB MEETING PROGRAM TBA

### WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019**

**GREETER: CAROL YOUNG**

**PLEDGE: BOB SPEARS**

**INVOCATION: BOB MEYER**

**NOTE TAKER: RICHARD HANSEN**

#### December Board Meeting



The December Board Meeting will be held **Tuesday, December 10th, 5:30 p.m.** at the Umpqua Bank in

**Antelope.**

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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**CLUB WEBSITE:** [www.foothillhighlandsrotary.org/](http://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.

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*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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Foothill-Highlands Rotary Club  
 P.O. Box 6 North Highlands, CA 95660-0006

**Wreaths were delivered!**

By Elf Dominic Mecklenburg



Evergreen sales grossed \$3000+, top salesperson former member **Jeff Donlevy**, top club salesperson **Sam Morgan**.

## SUNSHINE

Pastor **Robert Hale** has been in the hospital. He is home now. The members signed a card for him.

## RECOGNITIONS



Foundation Chair **Bob Spears** presented PP **Lee Wiggins** with his five sapphire Paul Harris pin.

## 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. Thanks to this partnership our contributions are matched two for one—\$25 becomes \$75.

Foundation Chair **Bob Spears** announced this year's goal is to raise \$1,000. Please save your loose change and deposit it in the *Change for Change* banks on the tables at our weekly meetings. **We have collected \$279.28 YTD from all sources for Polio Plus.**



## RECOGNITIONS

**Finemaster Joe Kaiser** did not have any fines for today, **President Roland** asked him to spin the wheel. He spun a 2, all members paid \$1.

# Rotary



## E-Waste4Good Program



Our program is going strong with monthly pick-ups at Umpqua Bank. Larger items are being picked up and stored at Hallsten Corporation.

**Total E-waste revenue fiscal YTD:**  
**\$194.41.**

## Rotary District 5180 Meal Packing Experience

Saturday April 18, 2020

McClellan Conference Center

Phase 1 Fundraising October - February



*We live in a world where 821 million people suffer from chronic malnutrition. Malnutrition is the leading cause of disease and death in the world. **Approximately 3.1 million children die from undernutrition each year (UNICEF, 2018a).** That's over 8,000 children each day. What can we do? By inspiring and connecting our Rotary community District 5180, collaborating together we can gather the resources to save lives, one child at a time.*

**Phase 1 - "Every Rotarian Challenge" How many children will you sponsor?** —donate \$75.00 per child and provide nutritious meals for one full school year.

Every Rotarian is encouraged to invite 10 friends outside of Rotary to join us in our GoFundMe drive to fill the container. <http://bit.ly/Rotary5180>

Rotary members please consider sponsoring additional children. This makes a perfect holiday gift!

Be creative, come up with your own club fundraiser for this specific event.

**We will all come together April 18th and pack the food and say to the world, "We will not tolerate this kind of suffering anymore".**

For more information contact Jim Quinney [jquinney@riseagainsthunger.org](mailto:jquinney@riseagainsthunger.org)



**Need some help wrapping Christmas presents this year? Me too!!! Luckily, there is a FREE GIFT WRAP DAY on December 14<sup>th</sup> in Antelope, 10am-1pm. Bring anything (and I mean anything—someone brought at truck bumper one year!!) to Umpqua Bank on 7921 Walerga Road and 1 of 8 volunteer ladies from the Roseville Women's Club will wrap your gift(s) for FREE. All the supplies are complimentary, paper, bags, tissue, tape, to/from's, etc. A tradition in it's 13<sup>th</sup> year, just a fun way to give back to the community. Stop by with gifts, have some cider or hot chocolate...it'll be a blast! Tell a friend...anyone/everyone is welcome!!**

The  
**Rotary**  
Foundation



### BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Richard Hansen	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 8
Joe Kaiser	(B)(GRIF)(JH)	PHF+ 8
Gordon Lipp	(B)	PHF+ 4
Patrick Magnani	(B)	PHF+ 1
Dr. Steven Martinez		
Dominic Mecklenburg	(GRIF)(JH)	PHF+ 8
Bob Meyer	(JHx2)	PHF+ 5
Marilee Monagan	(GRIF)(JH)	PHF+ 4
Sam Morgan		PHF+ 6
Bob Spears	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Lee Wiggins	(GRIF x3)	PHF+ 5
Katy Wright		
Roland Wright	(B)(GRIF)(\$100 Polio+)(JH)	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.**

## 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>

## Car Donation Program



To arrange for a donation, call **Dominic's** cell **916-995-4006**. He will make the arrangements for the pick up.

**Total YTD car donation revenue is \$790.50**

The Donation Form is on Page 13 of the bulletin.

## 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.



## HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

**Elf 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.



**Lee Wiggins**



**Lee Wiggins**



**Mary Mecklenburg**



**Joe Kaiser**



**Brent Seizer**



**Dominic and Bob Spears**



RYE student **Mario****Craig Stevenson****ADG Dave Veden and President Roland****Diane and President Roland****Marilee Monagan and Brent Seizer****Centerpiece Reindeer****RYE Host Family Tanya and Talia Benetiz with RYE student Mario****Dayme and Bob Meyer**

**Rotarians and guests enjoying fellowship and dinner**

**Jennifer Magnani, Diane Wright and Mary Mecklenburg****Joe Kaiser and Lee Wiggins****Marilee Monagan and Brent Seizer**





**Dominic, Richard and David Hansen**



**Jennifer and Patrick Magnani**



**Dominic with Bob Meyer**



**Kimberley Peterson and Bob Spears**



**Mary and Dominic Mecklenburg**

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

The meeting was then adjourned.

**EWASTE 4 GOOD**  
GOOD 4 PEOPLE - GOOD 4 EARTH - GOOD 4 YOU!  
Powered by the Valley Recycling

**Rotary**

**free e-waste pickup fundraiser**

**PLEASE HELP SUPPORT**

**FOOTHILL HIGHLANDS ROTARY CLUB**

Schedule your FREE pick up by visiting [www.eWaste4good.com](http://www.eWaste4good.com)

Fill in your information and within a few days a dispatcher will contact you to schedule an at home or office pickup date. Then, your electronics will be picked up, recycled and the proceeds will be donated to the organization of choice. You can also call eWaste4good at 800-317-3112

#### 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.



## Drive change. Donate a vehicle today.

It will be sold at auction, and we will get the proceeds.

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.

We have a partnership with the IAA Donation Division to process and sell the vehicles donated to us. They provide us with a simple solution to turn donated vehicles into much needed dollars.

The process of donating your vehicle is quick and easy - simply call 800-240-0160 or visit us online at [foothillhighlandsrotary.org](http://foothillhighlandsrotary.org). Better yet, towing is free and scheduled for your convenience.

**Call Dominic at 916-995-4006 E-mail [dmecklenburg@comcast.net](mailto:dmecklenburg@comcast.net)**

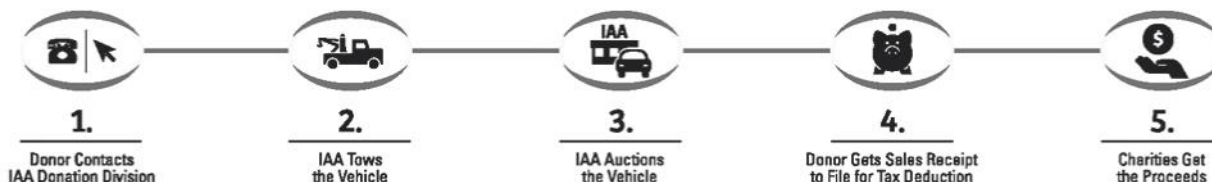
### Not every "vehicle" is a car, but every donation helps!

We accept every type of vehicle, including:

- Cars
- Boats
- Snowmobiles
- Heavy equipment
- Trucks
- Motorcycles
- Personal watercraft

The process is easy.

**Here's how it works:**



- Tax deductible
- Free towing
- Any vehicle, any condition

**Donate today!**

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DIVISIONDonate Direct Referral Form

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Charity: Rotary Club of Foothill Highlands

**Donor Information:**

Donor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Vehicle Information:**

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

VIN #: \_\_\_\_\_ Mileage: \_\_\_\_\_

Title Available: ☐Drivable: ☐**Comments:**

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