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## SAVE THE DATE FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2015 EXCITING NEW LOCATION CALIFORNIA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM

### **The Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands**

*Presents the Eighth Annual*

## *Night at the Museum*

**Wine-and-Food Gala**



**Friday, April 17, 2015**

**6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

**California State Railroad Museum  
125 I Street, Sacramento, CA**

Proceeds benefit local charitable and non-profit causes, including:

- Birth and Beyond • Sacramento Crisis Nursery
- Children's Receiving Home • WIND



Music and Dancing  
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For sponsorship opportunities and additional information, contact Event Chairperson David Stone at 916-871-4025 or [davidstone@cprstone.com](mailto:davidstone@cprstone.com)

Tickets available online at: [www.night-at-the-museum-rotary.org](http://www.night-at-the-museum-rotary.org)  
Club website: [www.foothillhighlandsrotary.org](http://www.foothillhighlandsrotary.org)



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## CALL TO ORDER

**President Rich Ryan** began the meeting promptly at 12:15 p.m. Leading us in the pledge was PP **Maureen McBride** and PP **Erik Nooren** provided the invocation. **Richard Hansen** was the note taker.

## VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Visiting today was **Gordon Mills**, owner of Newlife Electronics in McClellan Business Park. **Gordon** was the guest of PP **David Stone**. Also visiting was **Arlene Poma**. **Arlene** is a writer and was the guest of PP **Dominic Mecklenburg**.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Estate Sale Scheduled

PP **Maureen McBride** announced the Estate Sale is set for **Friday, May 15th** and **Saturday, May 16th** at **Lee Wiggins'** dental office parking lot on Walnut Ave. at Robertson in Carmichael.

Please mark your calendar as we will need manpower both days.

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(ClubRunner)

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## Night at the Museum

PP **David Stone** reminded us that plans are underway for our major fundraiser of the year which is scheduled for **Friday, April 17th at the California State Railroad Museum**. **David** distributed flyers with the new location and starting time of 6:30 p.m.

Thus far, we have ten wineries, one brewery and 15 restaurants.

**Just a reminder:** All members are asked to provide at least **two items** for the **Balloon Pop**. The value of each item should be at least \$20. Again today, PP **Roland Wright** donated a Starbucks' gift card and **Gary Monk** donated \$100 cash.

**Balloon Pop Update:** We now have a total of 17 items. Three of those items need something paired with them. We're on our way to 100 items!!

### New Tickets:

PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** distributed new tickets reflecting the change in venue and starting time. If you have not sold your tickets, trade them for the new tickets. All tickets will be honored at the event.

**For more information about NATM:**  
[www.night-at-the-museum-rotary.org](http://www.night-at-the-museum-rotary.org)

It is now set up to buy tickets with PayPal.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Foundation News:

#### END POLIO NOW

PP **Maureen McBride** reminded everyone we are in the final stages of eradicating Polio throughout the world; and in an effort to further the cause, she is asking everyone to save their spare change and deposit it in the **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 your contribution of \$25 becomes \$75. Our Club goal for 2014-15 was \$500 and **Mo** announced that we have exceed that amount and would like to shoot for \$1,000.

Today's yield from the banks was \$12.21.



**Remember:** For those donating \$25 or more, you will receive a special End Polio Now label pin.

Please join in the fight against this devastating disease. Help make history by donating today.

#### EREY (Every Rotarian/Every Year)

**President Rich Ryan** and the board of directors would like to achieve 100% participation in the EREY Program during this year. The **deadline** for recognition at the District Conference is **March 31, 2015**. EREY means that every active member of our club would give some amount of money to The

Rotary Foundation with \$100 per capita being the overall goal. We are **very, very, very** close to achieving this goal.

#### Sustaining Fellows

A second goal for Foundation Giving this year is to have **all** members donate \$100 toward their Paul Harris Fellow accounts. Again, these checks should be given to **Mo** no later than **Monday, March 23rd. Checks should be payable to The Rotary Foundation.**

Anyone wishing additional information on any aspect of The Rotary Foundation can contact **Mo** at **487-1152**.

#### Estate Sale

On February 19th Rotarians **Dominic Mecklenburg, Joe Kaiser and Maureen McBride** picked up items for the Estate Sale at **Sharon Bias's** house (again).

On February 21st, **Mo, Chuck McBride and Dominic** made another pickup/run at **Sharon's** and dropped it all off in storage, adding to the collection of items that will be offered for sale in May!



**Maureen** checking out the items



**Joe and Dominic**  
loading the truck



**Joe** and his new  
BRIGHT yellow  
truck



## ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Rotary Day at the River Cats

PP **Maureen McBride** announced the date has been set for the next ***Rotary Day at the River Cats***. The game, between the River Cats (now a Triple-A Affiliate of the World Champion S.F. Giants) and the Tacoma Rainiers, has been scheduled for **Sunday, June 7th at 1:05 P.M.** Ticket prices are \$22 with \$6 going to Polio Plus and \$15 with \$3 going to Polio Plus. If anyone would like to donate tickets for disadvantaged kids, the price is \$10 with \$2 going to Polio.

Anyone interested can contact **Tom Cicchini** at 773-1938 or [tomcicchini@ramondjames.com](mailto:tomcicchini@ramondjames.com).

### 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!

Total collected this fiscal YTD in our E-waste drive is: \$290.78 —on our way to another \$500+ in income from this super easy fundraiser!

### Estate Sale

“So, funny story...I acquired a broken washing machine for my e-waste pickup next Thursday, and a working dryer that I displayed for sale in the bank lobby. I coordinated the delivery last night, to the bank, at 11pm (don't ask). This morning, Saturday, the dryer sold for \$40 within 90min. I'm still laughing—this is just too easy.” **Dominic**

Estate sale revenue is **\$152** for this year. And, our actual Estate Sale isn't until May.

Hooray, for Dominic!!!



**Dominic arranging pickup**



**E-waste**



**Dryer**

## FINES AND RECOGNITIONS

Fine Master **David Stone** began by asking if the Rotarians were wearing their Rotary pins.

**Sam Morgan** paid a \$1.

**David** then asked a question from the current issue of *The Rotarian* magazine. Getting no response he asked if anyone had read it? **Roland Wright** had but did not know the answer.

**David** fined all Rotarians who had not read the magazine \$1.

**Roland** spun the wheel for a two. All Rotarians paid \$1.

## JOKES

**Gordon Lipp** was so excited that he had a joke this week that he pre-empted Announcements to tell his joke.

It got lots of laughs and earned himself a Fine Free Pass.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS MARCH IS LITERACY MONTH

#### CLUB CALENDAR:

MARCH 2 TBA

MARCH 9 TBA

MARCH 16 FRANK HUCK/UMPQUA MORTGAGE

#### DIST. 5180 CALENDAR:

MARCH 28 DIST. ASSEMBLY, NATOMAS H.S.

**(THIS IS A MUST FOR ALL INCOMING BOARD MEMBERS AND DIRECTORS (SEE DETAILS BELOW.)**

APRIL 24-26 DIST. CONFERENCE, ROHNERT PARK

JUNE 7 ROTARY DAY AT THE RIVER CATS



**District 5180  
Annual Training  
Assembly  
March 28, 2015  
Natomas High**

#### Training available for:

Club Officers  
Avenues of Service  
Youth Programs  
Rotary Foundation  
Rotary Club Central  
Membership Growth...and more

**NATOMAS HIGH  
SCHOOL  
3301 Fong Ranch Rd.  
Sacramento 95833**

## WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

**MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015**

GREETER: **JEFF DONLEVY**

PLEDGE: **DOMINIC MECKLENBURG**

INVOCATION: **BOB SPEARS**

NOTE TAKER: **RICHARD HANSEN**

**PLUS:**  
Youth Protection Certification Club  
Certification for Grants

**Open to  
all**

**Rotarians including 15-16 club  
officers, club committee members,  
board members, district committee  
members, 'old timers' and new  
Rotarians. Registration/ breakfast 8 to  
8:30 AM School  
Assembly 8:30 AM -2 PM**

## 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)  
Nooren, Erik  
Ryan, Richard  
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).



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	(GRIF)	
Sonja Cameron	(GRIF)	PHF
Warren Coffeen		PHF+ 1
Jeff Donlevy	(B)(GRIF)	PHF
John Hallsten	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 5
Richard Hansen	(B)(GRIF) (\$100 Polio +)	PHF+ 6
Joe Kaiser	(GRIFx3)	PHF+ 7
Gordon Lipp	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 2
Gene Long	(B)(GRIF)	PHF
Patrick Magnani	(B)(GRIFx2)	PHF
Maureen McBride	(GRIF) (\$25 Polio+)	PHF+ 8 +
Dominic Mecklenburg	(GRIFx2)	PHF+ 4
Bob Meyer	(GRIF) (\$25 Polio+)	PHF+ 4
Marilee Monagan	(B)(GRIF) (\$50 Polio +)	PHF+ 2
Gary Monk	(B) (GRIF) (\$100 Polio+)	
Sam Morgan	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Erik Nooren	(RIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 7
Richard Ryan	(B)(GRIF)(GFHF)	PHF
Bob Spears	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 2
David Stone	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 5
Lee Wiggins	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Roland Wright	(B)(GRIF x3) (\$100 Polio+)	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.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

IPP **Patrick Magnani** introduced today's speaker Rotarian **Bob Meyer**. **Bob** has been a member of the Foothill-Highlands Rotary Club for 46 years, has made up Rotary in 16 countries and 13 states. **Bob** served at the Club Level as President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Club Service, International Service, Community Service and Vocational Service. At the District Level, **Bob** served as District Awards Chair, Zone Rep. (three times), International Service Chair, Sgt.-at-Arms, District Conference Chair, G.S.E. Team Leader-Peru as well as on the District Speakers' Bureau. With PP **Joe Kaiser**, **Bob** delivered surplus school desks and hospital supplies from the Grant School District to Mexicali, Mexico.

**Bob** worked for Future Ford and Suburban Ford as a truck salesman and has been married to his wife, **Dayme** for 53 years.

**Bob** began by reviewing the International Service projects the Club is supporting this year. They include a Water Filtration Grant project in Brazil sponsored by the Rotary Club of Roseville, our on-going Cambodian Well project and the School of Love and Hope in the Philippines.

Next, **Bob** introduced a new project the Club will support this year—**Operation Smile**. **Bob** showed a video which explained the details of the program.



Their website is [www.operationsmile.org](http://www.operationsmile.org).

*Operation Smile* is an international children's medical charity that performs safe, effective cleft lip and cleft palate surgery, and delivers postoperative and ongoing medical therapies to children in low and middle income countries.

*Operation Smile* is a pioneer in advocating for the importance of safe surgery in resource-poor environments and is the largest surgical charity of its kind, leading research into the causes of cleft lip and cleft palate, and its prevention, treatment and eradication.

Every three minutes a child is born with a cleft. A child with a cleft has twice the odds of dying before their first birthday. Children with cleft conditions who survive may have difficulty eating, speaking, hearing or breathing properly. In some places, they are shunned and rejected. And, in too many cases, their parents can't afford the surgeries they need to live a productive life.

Every child deserves access to safe, quality surgical care. Every child deserves a future filled with hope.

A donation of \$240 can help provide a cleft lip or cleft palate surgery. This surgery can change a child's life forever and can take as few as 45 minutes.

Contributions in excess of surgical costs are invested into sustainability programs, which empower the organization's partner countries to treat more children on their own.

*Operation Smile* has more than 5,400 credentialed medical volunteers in over 80



countries who are ready to donate their time and talent. Donations help send them to countries where desperate children are waiting to be healed.



**President Rich and PP Bob Meyer**

As is the usual custom, **President Rich** presented **Bob** with a Rotary gift in gratitude for his informative and moving presentation.

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

## District Conference

Greetings Rotarians! By now hopefully you have heard about this year's district conference; the details are in the attached flyer. Several of your fellow Rotarians have been working hard to make this year's conference a special and memorable event, and we want to make sure you get in on the

fun. You'll hear inspiring stories, meet new Rotary friends, and celebrate the achievements of clubs in our district, and yes, we're going to celebrate our heroes in some special ways! But you can't go unless you register so please visit the district website and do so today! The Schultz Museum event on Friday night has a limited capacity, and you don't want to be left out. Please note: If for some reason you or a Rotarian you know cannot register on line, please call **Kathy** or **David Clemens** at (916) 784-9104.

### Conference Costs

Conference Registration - \$50 per person

Meal package (Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner and Sunday Brunch) - \$165 per person

### Individual Meals:

Saturday Breakfast - \$30 per person

Saturday Lunch - \$45 per person

Saturday Dinner - \$65 pr person

Sunday Brunch - \$35 per person

### Optional Special Events:

An Evening at the Schulz Museum - \$65 per person (adult) - (Friday evening – includes dinner, no host wine and beer, tours, exploration on your own, and good old Rotary fellowship.)

An Evening at the Schultz Museum - \$40 per child under 12 .

Golf on Friday morning - \$70 per person (includes box lunch.)

STRS Training - \$35 per person - (10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Friday, lunch included.)

Wine Tasting with CA State Fair Wine Judge PDG Brian Moore - \$40 per person - (Saturday afternoon) - space is limited.

Saturday Children's Program (children under 12) - \$40 per child - (8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. – includes lunch and dinner.)





**Friday Night at the Schulz Museum  
Keynoters Kitty O'Neal and Brian Shul  
Thursday Golf Tournament  
Wine Tasting  
...and lots more!  
Register on the web this fall**

**Come join us at the 2015 District 5180 Conference April 24-26, 2015  
at the Schulz Museum.**

**Keynote speakers will include Kitty O'Neal and Brian Shul.**

**In addition there will be a Golf Outing, wine tasting . . . and much more!**





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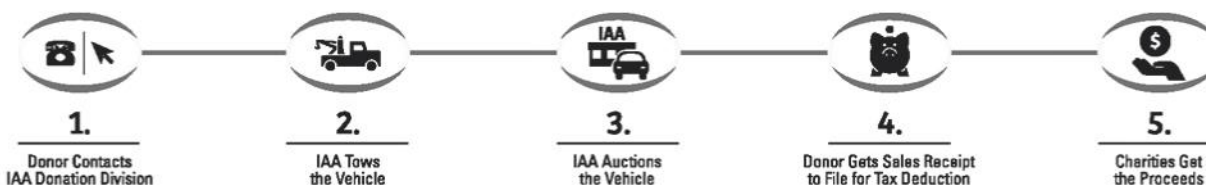
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