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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



Our District 5180
Theme for 2022-2023

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/ Resolution Month

By Azka Asif, RI Programs Staff

Millions of people all over the world are currently displaced by armed conflict or persecution. In fact, 90% of casualties in armed conflicts are civilians, half of which are children. Through service projects and Rotary programs, the Rotary family is committed to pursuing projects that address the structural causes of conflict, including poverty, inequality, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

CALL TO ORDER

President Miguel started the meeting on time at 12:15pm. PP **Joe Kaiser** was our greeter. PP **Lee Wiggins** lead us in the pledge and providing the invocation was PP **Dominic Mecklenburg**. **Richard Hansen** served as the note taker.

ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Today's guest was **David Hansen**. Rotarian **Pastor Robert Hale** on Zoom.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2/13 Board meeting at the Lions Gate for lunch at 12:15pm. With ZOOM if you choose.

2/20 DARK this week, President's Day/ Washington's Birthday

2/27 Club level District speech contest

3/3-5 Far West PETS

3/6 Regular meeting at the Lions Gate for lunch at 12:15pm with speaker Gem Munro w/Amarok Society. With ZOOM if you choose.

3/13 Board meeting at the Lions Gate for lunch at 12:15pm. With ZOOM if you choose.

4/8 District Assembly

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moving into announcements, **Miguel** called on **Dominic** who had a few announcements.

Rob Roach and the Twin Rivers School District will take your old prescription glasses and/or prescription sunglasses. There is a program that makes excellent use of them for people in need. **Rob** will share the details next week. Bring your unused or unwanted eyewear to the next meeting and he'll do the rest.

Before the meeting this morning, **Dominic** rounded up all the necessary materials to repair **Bob Meyers** backyard fence. After the meeting, the plan was to drop them off, maybe prep the area for the crew to come back next week and get busy. For those that know **Dominic**, he's more an under promise and over deliver kind of guy. Since he was there and had a couple hours to spare, he removed all the pickets, pulled out and replaced the bad 4x4's, reset them in concrete and started up on the 2x4's. **He called this a head start.**

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/>

The top photo is the before shot. An “updated” picture of the current project status is below. No doubt we’ll wrap this up next week.



PP **Bob Meyer** was very excited our club is going to help repair his fence. He wanted to [donate](#) the sum of **\$1000** to our club. He made the check presentation today. Here’s how that breaks down:
 \$230 or so for the fence materials
 \$100 Bell Ringer to the club
 \$670 balance of the funds to be a donation to the club

We have reserved one spot for a RYLA camper this year, and we continue to work with **Scott Rauschkolb** at RLHS to coordinate our student selection.

Dominic and his son, **Steven**, met **Roland** at the **Hallsten** hanger last week. Two truckloads later, all donated storage items now reside in our storage unit on 32nd street.

President Miguel showed photos from **PE Teresa** distributing food to the homeless and from the San Pedro Relocating Center National High School in the Philippines for our support in building a bathroom for students and **Teresa's** package for including shoes and plastic rain ponchos.



Next up was our **Sergeant at Arms, Joe Kaiser**.

President Miguel's oldest daughter was 22, he spun the wheel for \$7.

PP **Lee Wiggins** was glad to be back, he rang the Bell for \$100 to the Club, and he bonged the gong for \$100 to Rotary International Foundation.

We also passed around the **Polio carafe** and collected **\$10**.

Also, a special thanks to **Judy Nichols** who baked and had **Bob Spears** deliver some bags of candy and amazing cookies for today's meeting. **Thank You Judy!!**

SUNSHINE

Services for **Eddie Wiggins** are scheduled on Saturday, 2/18 at 11am. The location is the Gold River Calvary Chapel, 11285 Pyrites Way #B in Gold River, CA. 95670

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

END POLIO NOW CAMPAIGN

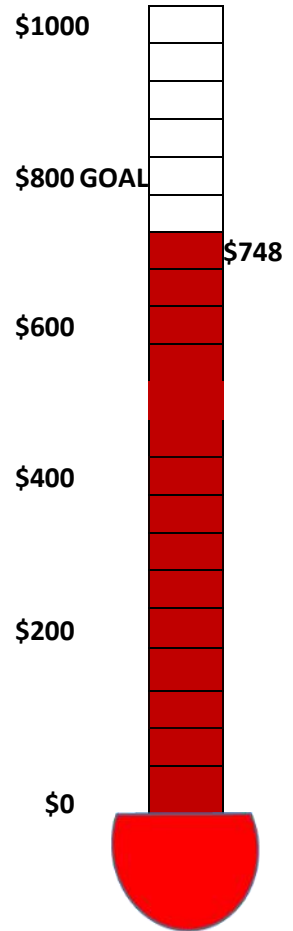


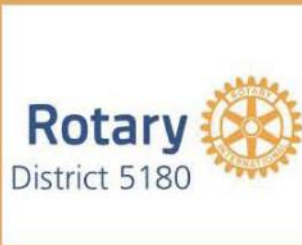
EVERYONE BRING YOUR POCKET CHANGE — TO AFFECT CHANGE BY ENDING POLIO THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

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.

For the carafe collection, we got \$10 today for polio plus

Polio Plus





District 5180 District Conference May 5-7, 2023

District Conference 2023

TASTE OF DISTRICT 5180

 **HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP LIKE NO OTHER! COME JOIN THE CARNIVAL**

 **GET UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH THE RV FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY**

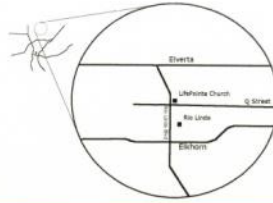
May 5 – Miner's Leap – Clarksburg
May 6 & 7 – Folsom Community Center



A pink shopping basket filled with various items: a blue box of spaghetti, a large blue water bottle, a can of beans, a carrot, and an eggplant. A white label on the front of the basket reads "Rotary District 5180" with the Rotary emblem.

REGISTER AT Rotary5180.org





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.

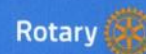
Please visit our website or reach out to us if you would like to help or get more information on this exciting project!

ROTARY CLUB OF FOOTHILL HIGHLANDS

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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

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

E-Waste4Good Program

IPP Dominic Mecklenburg announced that our E-Waste program is going strong with monthly pick-ups at the Hallsten Corporation in North Highlands. We have received \$25.88 this Rotary year.

Topic: Rotary Zoom Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting
 Occurs Monday from 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86245299428?pwd=TWFTUmRrK3ZxckpuaVh6ZHhyb3JDZz09>

Meeting ID: 862 4529 9428
 Passcode: 399637

The
Rotary
 Foundation


**BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS
 PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS**

Miguel Benitez	(B)(GFHF)(GRIF+2)	PHF+1
Teresa Ferrer		
Robert Hale	(B)(GFHF)(GRIF)	PHF
Richard Hansen	(B+3)(GRIF)(P+2)	PHF+ 8
Crystal Harding-Jenkins		
Joe Kaiser	(GRIF+2)	PHF+ 8
Patrick Magnani	(GRIF)(GFHF+2)(P)	PHF+ 1
Dr. Steven Martinez		
Dominic Mecklenburg	(B)	PHF+ 8
Bob Meyer	(B)(GFHF)	PHF+ 5
Sam Morgan		PHF+ 7
Bob Spears	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Lee Wiggins	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 5
Roland Wright	(B)(GRIF+2)(JH)(P)	PHF+ 8

Bell Ringer & Gong Codes:

(B) = Bell Ringer, \$100 donation to our Club

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

(GRIF) = Gong Bonger, \$100 donation to Rotary Intentional Foundation

(JH) = A \$100 donation to the John Hallsten Vocational Scholarship Fund

(P) = A \$100 donation to Polio Plus

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 2023

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? _____

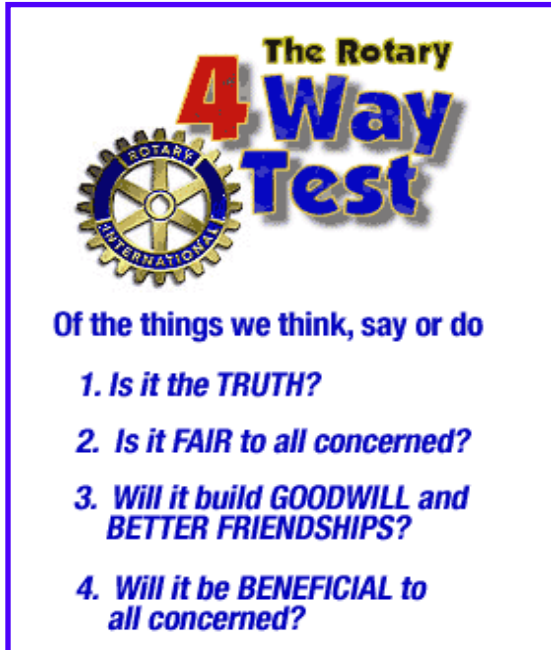
If Yes, Please Explain: _____

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



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

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.



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**free
e-waste
pickup
fundraiser**

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HELP
SUPPORT**

**FOOTHILL HIGHLANDS
ROTARY CLUB**

Schedule your **FREE** pick up by visiting
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**



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Items we pickup, working or not:

- All Televisions
- Computer Monitors
- Fax Machines
- Desktop Copiers
- Telephones
- Vacuum Cleaners
- Keyboards
- Mice
- Networking Equipment
- Misc Wires and Cords
- Household Phones
- Medical Equipment
- Video Games
- Computers
- Calculators
- Cell Phones
- Printers
- Speakers
- Scanners
- Laptops
- Power Tools
- Small Appliances
- Stereo Systems
- And Much More!

All electronics are recycled locally in California.

We also do free business and residential pickups throughout Northern California.

Please visit
www.eWaste4good.com
to schedule.



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US!!**



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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.