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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

JANUARY



"Of all the hundred and one ways in which men can make themselves useful to society, undoubtedly the most available and often the most effective are within the spheres of their own occupations."

Paul P Harris (Founder of Rotary)

VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH



Rotary

TAKE ACTION: Get Involved, Join Rotary

CALL TO ORDER

President Miguel started the meeting on time at 12:15pm. **Joe** and **Bob Meyer** teamed up as our greeters today. **Bob Meyer** lead us in the pledge and **Miguel** shared a moment of reflection. Thanks to **Dominic** our amazing note taker as well.

ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Rotarians in attendance: **Miguel, Roland, Patrick, Dominic, Bob Spears, Joe & Bob Meyer**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1/30 Board meeting at the Lions Gate for lunch at 12:15pm. With ZOOM if you choose.**
- 2/6 Regular meeting at the Lions Gate for lunch at 12:15pm. With ZOOM if you choose.**
- 2/13 Regular 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**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moving into announcements, **Miguel** identified the next meeting, 1/30, as a board meeting for our club. He also confirmed that our speech contest will be held on 2/27. **Miguel** shared that **Teresa** picked up 9 Chrome Books, previously donated for e-waste and refurbished by **Miguel**. These will be in route to the Philippines shortly courtesy of **Teresa**.

Dominic had a few announcements too. The Amazon Smile program is being discontinued for everyone. As a consolation, a one-time donation equivalent to 3 months of sales will be provided to each non-profit. Amazon was disappointed by the results of this program and decided to adjust their philanthropic endeavors accordingly.

**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

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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/>

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.

A couple Rotarian's at Work day projects are on the horizon.

- 1) A fence repair at **Jan's** house is happening this Friday. Those powerful winds did a number on a corner section in her backyard and we've assembled a crew with materials to bring it back to good.
- 2) **Sharon** is having an ankle surgery in one month. She needs a couple ramps for her little scooter to enter and exit the house. **Dominic** brought over a loaner, an aluminum one from his Tuff Shed; we need to build 2 more for her, a project that is TBA.

Miguel added that he has listed multiple items in storage online for sale. He's working hard to generate some additional revenue for the club. Our storage unit is looking good these days and **Roland** reminded us we have several items still stored on the base where he has a hanger. We'll work together next week to move that stuff from his hanger to our storage unit where it belongs. An additional reminder from **Roland** is that the e-waste pallet is full and ready for pickup! **Dominic** will call that order in and get it on the schedule.

Next up was our **Sergeant at Arms, Joe Kaiser**. **Joe** was under the weather today but that didn't stop him from taking the podium. He first interrogated **Miguel** about his badge and Rotary swag, then after what seemed like an entire program he made him spin the wheel for a \$3 fine.

Next, **Dominic** was recognized for his 12/31 birthday, another wheel spin for a \$6 fine.

Joe also had a Birthday, celebrated by offering a \$100 donation to R/I. **Joe** was also feeling generous for other reasons and decided to Ring the Bell for \$100 to our club.

Finally, **Joe** recognized **Bob Meyer**, his fellow Rotarian and carpool buddy for taking him to Rotary for many months now, **Joe** has been kind enough to pick **Bob** up and his reward was an envelope full of cash (gas money). **Joe** decided to add that \$40 donation to Rotary as well, applying it to the playground fund. **Joe** also reminded us to read our Rotary magazine.

Pat then came forward and decided to recognize, on behalf of all 49er fans, the great victory from Sunday afternoon. **Congrats 49er's!** He spun the wheel for an \$8 fine, which **Joe** suggested all fans in the room should match. Wow, that should encourage attendance. **Bob Meyer, Dominic, Roland & Miguel** were the partners on that special deal.

Separate from all that excitement, **Patrick** also wanted to celebrate a big test he recently passed, achieving the credential of A.A.M.S. which stands for **Accredited Asset Management Specialist**. The Accredited Asset Management Specialist (AAMS) is a professional designation awarded by the College for Financial Planning to financial professionals who complete a self-study program, pass an exam, and agree to comply with a code of ethics. I think this means he gets his own parking space at work now. **Whoa! and Patrick celebrated this in fine fashion with a Gong to our Club's Foundation!!**

We also passed around the **Polio carafe** and collected \$7.87 Those coins will be difficult to deposit at the ATM, but we'll make it work.

Roland added an update about **Rotary House**. They meet now just quarterly, and on zoom still. The big topic from the last meeting was a tenant's concern about inside temperatures during the peak of the summer. There was a lively discussion about planting trees, but after thoughtful consideration and based on current and past circumstances, that option was declined. Alternatives considered include having a landscape architect review the situation and consider different landscape maintenance alternatives; or, since the heat is mainly on the kitchen side of the house, considering an awning or cellular shades or something along those lines to reduce heat/temperature during those blistering hot days.

Roland also said the playground delivery was delayed by one month, now projecting for March! We still need to fabricate the gates, which in theory should take longer than actually putting together the playground itself. We are determined to complete this project as soon as possible.

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

Miguel concluded the meeting early, raising his glass for a toast to Rotary around the World at 1pm.

END POLIO NOW CAMPAIGN

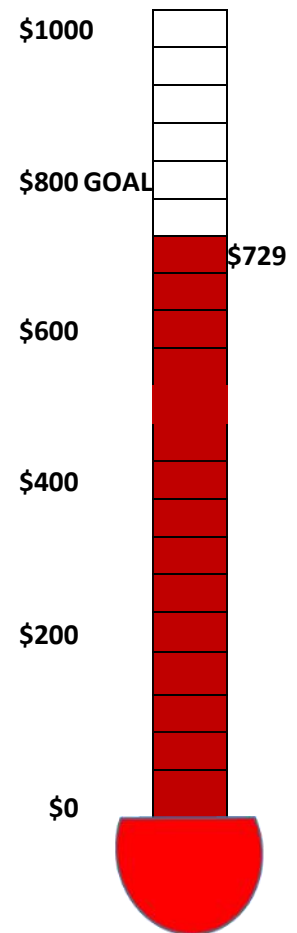


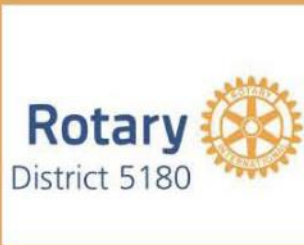
**EVERYONE BRING
YOUR POCKET
CHANGE — TO
AFFECT CHANGE
BY ENDING POLIO
THROUGHOUT THE
WORLD.**

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 \$7.87 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**

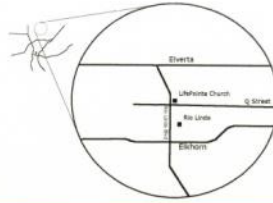
 **GET UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH THE RV FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY**

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

A pink plastic grocery 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 logo.

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.

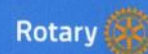
Please visit our website or reach out to us if you would like to help or get more information on this exciting project!

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 Foundation.

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

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



**The Rotary
4 Way Test**

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?*



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"

A non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.
EIN 68-0392810



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.



Rotary 



**free
e-waste
pickup
fundraiser**

**PLEASE
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**



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.



**thank you
FOR HELPING
US!!**



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.

You can also call eWaste-4good at 800-317-3112 and tell them proceeds are to go to The Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands.