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**Celebrate
Our Heroes!**
Our 2015 D5180
Conference
April 24-26, 2015
at the Doubletree
Rohmert Park

**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**

CALL TO ORDER

President Rich Ryan began the meeting promptly at 12:15 p.m. The greeter today was scheduled to be PP **David Stone**. He showed up late. Leading us in the pledge was **Gordon Lipp** and PP **Bob Meyer** provided the invocation. **Richard Hansen** was the note taker.

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Guests today included **Joe McBride**, guest of PP **Joe Kaiser**; **Dee Beddo** from the North Highlands Optimist Club; **Jason Cox**, guest of PP **Roland Wright**, retired Air Force, currently in charge of Purchasing at Hallsten Corporation, a local North Highlands company; **Joe Destfino**, President of the North Highlands Little League; **Pat Parks**, guest of IPP **Patrick Magnani**; **Rob Meyer**, Principal of F. C. Joyce Elementary School and Rotarian **David Cohen**, President Elect from the Rotary Club of Sacramento.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rotary Club of Sacramento invites you to join them!

PE **David Cohen** invited our club members to make plans to join the Rotary Club of Sacramento in Brazil for the 106th **Rotary International Convention** which is scheduled for June 6-9, 2015 in São Paulo, Brazil.

The Rotary Club of Sacramento is offering

tours both before the convention in Buenos Aires and Iguazu Falls (May 30-June 5) and after the convention in Rio de Janeiro and the Amazon Region of Brazil (June 9-14). Take this opportunity to join fellow Rotarians and enjoy one of the most exciting cities in the world — Buenos Aires and the incredible beauty of Iguazu Falls — a UNESCO Natural World Heritage Site and voted one of the seven Natural Wonders of the World.

Follow your convention stay in São Paulo with a trip to Rio de Janeiro and the Amazon rainforest — the largest tropical rainforest in the world.

We look forward to you joining us on our exciting adventure.

Night at the Museum

PP **David Stone** reminded our members that plans are underway for our major fundraiser of the year which is scheduled for **Friday, April 17th** at the CA Automobile Museum. Thus far, we have eight wineries, one brewery and 11 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. PP **Roland Wright** donated a \$25 Starbucks gift card today to **Team Mecklenburg**, who has taken the lead for organizing the balloon pop.

All Rotarians in attendance received 10 tickets to buy and/or sell. Keep track of those tickets. For those not in attendance or in need of additional event tickets, contact **Dominic**.

For more information about NATM:

www.night-at-the-museum-rotary.org

It is now set up to buy tickets with PayPal.

CLUB WEBSITE: www.foothillhighlandsrotary.org/
(ClubRunner)

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



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ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Foundation News:

2015-16 Rotary District 5180 Foundation Dinner

PP **Maureen McBride** announced the District has scheduled the 2015-16 Foundation Dinner for **Saturday, November 7th**. Further details will be forthcoming.

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 is \$500 but **Mo** would like to exceed that amount. To date, we have collected just over \$400.

Thanks to the generosity of PP **Roland Wright** today's yield from the banks was \$56.19.



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**. That 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** close to achieving this goal. To those who have not yet participated this year, please consider giving **Mo** a check payable to The Rotary Foundation no later than **Monday, March 23rd** in order for us to be recognized by the District.

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**.

Anyone wishing additional information on any aspect of The Rotary Foundation can contact **Mo** at **487-1152**. She would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

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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.

Club Level District Speech Contest

PP **Bob Spears** reminded the Rotarians that the Club Level District Speech Contest will be in two weeks on **February 9th**.

Holiday Basket Thank You

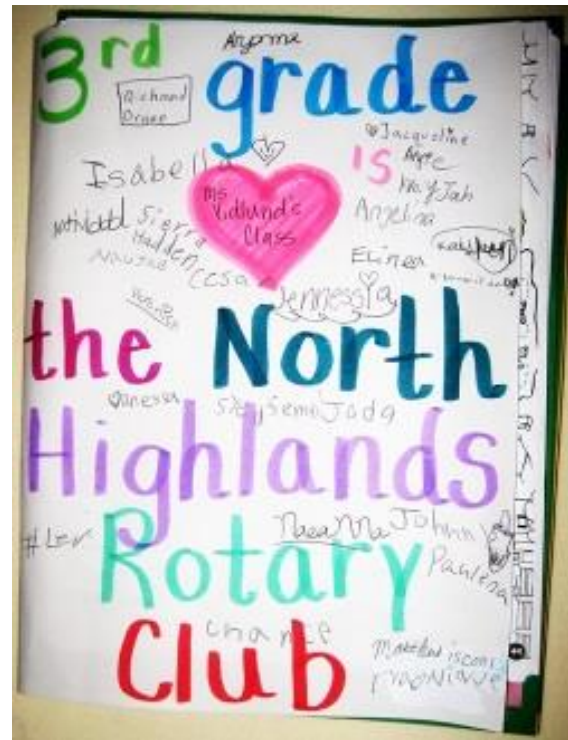
Dee Beddo from the North Highlands Optimist Club thanked the Rotary Club for our monetary donation of \$250 to their Holiday Gift Basket program as well as providing manpower to assemble the baskets for distribution. **Dee** thanked **President Rich, Jeff Donlevy, IPP Patrick Magnani, PP Roland Wright** and **PP Maureen McBride** for helping.

Rotary House

PP **Joe Kaiser** worked at Rotary House over the weekend getting the house ready for the next occupants and got some much needed help from PP **Roland Wright** and IPP **Patrick Magnani**, who was accompanied by his helpers **Madeline** and **Anthony**.

Thank you letters

PP **Roland Wright** introduced **Rob Meyer**, Principal at F. C. Joyce Elementary School. **Rob** brought a folder of thank you notes from his third graders for the dictionaries Rotary donated just prior to Christmas.



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

We were all happy to welcome back PP **Erik Nooren** after his recent hospitalization and subsequent R&R period. **Erik** was delighted to be back in our midst.

PP **Maureen McBride** announced that **Warren Coffeen** is back home after an extended stay in a local Assistant Living facility. PP **Bob Spears** added that he saw **Warren** and **Merial** over the weekend -- they played Bridge together. **Warren** was in good spirits but moving slowly. Hopefully, he'll be able to attend a Rotary meeting in the future.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)



PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** introduced **Joe Destfino**, President of the North Highlands Little League.



Joe speaking to the Rotarians and their guests.

North Highlands Little League Web Site.
www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?

North Highlands Little League

Joe Destfino, President North Highlands Little League, reported on their needs.

As far as a field update, they have permits for the fields at Highlands High School and take control of them January 24th. Joe has a meeting this Tuesday at 9am with the maintenance people to see what they can do.

As far as what they need. His board has been working together to come up with an idea of what they will need the most to get started. Obviously, the fields are the most important thing right now and Joe expects to start working on them non-stop starting this coming Saturday. They will be putting in base pegs and pitcher's mounds as well as new home plates. They will also need to make base paths which will require a lot of dirt. If anyone has a resource for the dirt, please contact Joe as soon as possible.

As far as anything beyond the fields, the most important need is simply equipment and apparel. They need a lot of equipment as they have absolutely nothing. This list includes bats, helmets, BASEBALLS, catcher's gear, etc. They will also need equipment to help prep fields .i.e. line chalkers, rakes, hoses, bases, etc.

Joe is new to this starting a league thing and so this is what he can think of that they need right now.

PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** added that the North Highlands Little League is rebuilding from scratch. He asked that everyone look around for any new or used baseball equipment. The league will accept anything, as they're trying to support both players and coaches in this effort to getting baseball re-established inside our service area. Baseballs are a huge expense for any league, so new or used gear, anything works.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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 revenue is **\$152** for this year.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

JANUARY IS ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH

CLUB CALENDAR:

FEB. 2 TBA
 FEB. 9 CLUB-LEVEL DISTRICT SPEECH CONTEST
 FEB. 16 NO MEETING-PRESIDENTS DAY
 FEB. 17 BOARD MEETING AT 5:30 P.M.
 FEB. 23 TBA

DIST. 5180 CALENDAR:

MARCH 28 DIST. ASSEMBLY, NATOMAS H.S.
 APRIL 24-26 DIST. CONFERENCE, ROHNERT PARK
 JUNE 7 ROTARY DAY AT THE RIVER CATS

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2015

GREETER: **LEE WIGGINS**

PLEDGE: **GENE LONG**

INVOCATION: **MARILEE MONAGAN**

NOTE TAKER: **RICHARD HANSEN**



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

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 breakfast 8 to 8:30 AM School
 Assembly 8:30 AM - 2 PM**



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 \$40 day of event**

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 c/o Bill Tobin
 2724 Musgrave Pl.
 El Dorado Hills Ca**



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?

FINES AND RECOGNITIONS

Fine Master **David Stone** began by asking if the Rotarians were wearing their Rotary pins. Everyone responded affirmatively. He then asked if anyone had a happy thought.

PP **Erik Nooren** said he had a birthday and was happy to be back to Rotary after his fall. He spun the wheel twice for a total of \$12. **Erik** then asked everyone to serenade him with our traditional version of Happy Birthday which everyone did in usual fashion.

PP **Marilee Monagan** reminded **David** that he was scheduled to be today's Greeter and did not make it in time. **David** spun the wheel for \$3.

JOKES

PP **Bob Spears** had a joke BUT did not receive a Fine Free Pass

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).

BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

| | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| Jordan Backhaus | | |
| 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) | PHF+ 2 |
| Gary Monk | | |
| 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



Michael Hutchings

IPP **Patrick Magnani** introduced **Michael Hutchings**, Executive Meeting Manager for the Lions Gate Hotel and Conference Center.

Michael began with an overview of what the Lions Gate has to offer and mentioned the extensive renovations done to the guest rooms.

The 122-room boutique hotel is located on the former grounds of the McClellan Air Force Base and current grounds of the McClellan Business Park.

This Sacramento Conference Center hotel features many flexible meeting rooms with more than 78,000 square feet of function space, including the Conference Center, Club Ballroom and many other spaces.



Conference Center

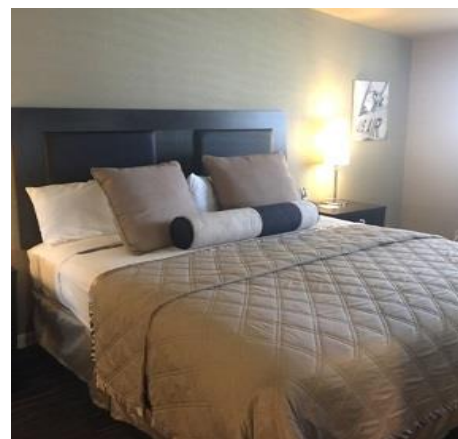


Conference Center

We took a tour of one of the Hotel rooms.



President **Rich Ryan**, PP **Roland Wright**, **John Hallsten** and PP **Lee Wiggins** checking out one of the Suites. Roland honed in on the bar area.



One of the rooms

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



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- Video Games
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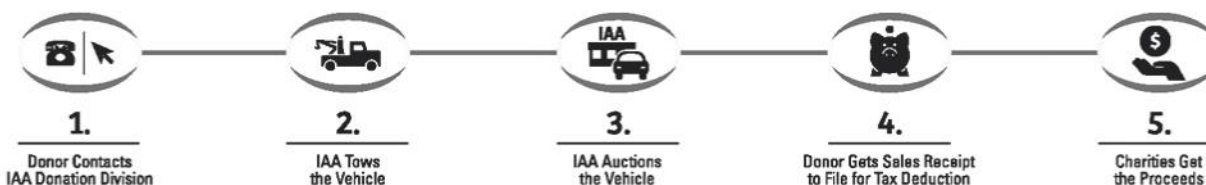
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