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# The Highlander



## 2022-2023 R.I. Leadership

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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

Photo by Alexei Kozlov, © Rotary International. Design layout by Gilbert Thien, Rotary Club of Altus.

A graphic for "PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/RESOLUTION MONTH". It features a photograph of three people (two men and one woman) in a workshop setting, with a large white Rotary International gear logo overlaid on the right. The text "PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/RESOLUTION MONTH" is prominently displayed in the center. Below the photo, a quote by Dorothy Thompson is included: "Peace is not the absence of conflict but the presence of creative alternatives for responding to conflict -- alternatives to passive or aggressive responses, alternatives to violence." The Rotary logo is also present in the bottom right corner of the graphic.

**PEACE  
AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/  
RESOLUTION  
MONTH**

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**TAKE ACTION:** Engage Rotary, Change Lives

## CALL TO ORDER

**President Miguel** started the meeting on time at 12:15pm. Today was our Monthly Board Meeting. PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** was our greeter today. PP **Bob Spears** lead us in the pledge and providing the invocation was **Pastor Robert Hale** on Zoom. **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

- 2/6 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** called on **Dominic** who had a few announcements. Recent winds did some damage on a number of fences for many people, one of which was FHRC honorary member **Jan Fazekas**. About 10ft was leaning pretty good so **Dominic, Roland, Patrick** and **Miguel** teamed up to complete the repair. A **mini Rotarians at Work day project** if you will. We replaced the 2x4's and cemented in new 4x4's, reused most of the existing pickets and she's back to good. We even added reinforcement to another section of her fence soon to fall.



**Rotarians at Work**

**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 Communications - Richard Hansen  
[rch6242@comcast.net](mailto:rch6242@comcast.net) 916-332-7448  
 Rotary Club Address  
 P.O. Box 6 North Highlands, CA 95660-0006

**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.

EIN 68-0392810, PayPal link on Club Website: <http://www.foothillhighlandsrotary.org/>

## Rotarians at Work (Cont.)



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.

**Sharon Bias** 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 and **Richard** loaned one he had. We need to build 1 more for her, a project that is TBA.

**Roland** reminded us we have several items still stored on the base where he has a hanger. We'll work together this Thursday 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! That will be happening this Thursday, February 2nd.

Today was a Board Meeting, **Miguel** called on **Dominic** for the treasurer's report. First was the November 2022 financials and a snapshot of CURRENT account balances as of tonight. They were approved by vote of the Board members

Next was the Club & Fdtn account financials for December fiscal year to date 12/31/22. He also included a budget so you can see/compare if desired. They were approved by vote of the Board members.

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

**Joe** called on PP **Bob Spears**, the 49rs lost, he spun the wheel for \$7.

PE **Teresa Ferrer** had a birthday, she spun the wheel for 2, all Rotarians donated \$1.

**Dominic** then told some jokes.

We also passed around the **Polio carafe** and collected **\$8.91**.

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

## SUNSHINE

Last week, our club lost a wonderful person. We are sad to share that **Eddie Wiggins**, wife of **Lee Wiggins**, has passed away. Our club sent out a large bouquet of flowers and a card went out in the mail today. For those not regularly in attendance or who remotely read our bulletin across the globe, we wanted to share the news in print. Please keep **Lee** and the **Wiggin's** family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.



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

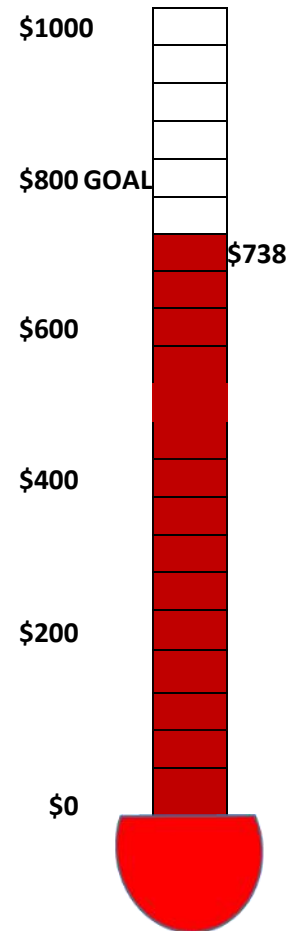


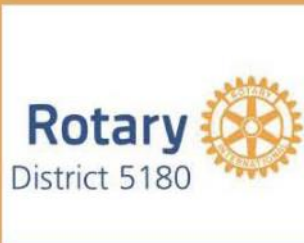
**EVERYONE BRING  
YOUR POCKET  
CHANGE — TO  
AFFECT CHANGE  
BY ENDING POLIO  
THROUGHOUT THE  
WORLD.**

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 \$8.91 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

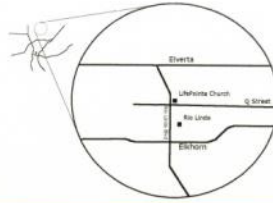


A pink plastic grocery basket filled with various items: a blue box of spaghetti, a large blue water bottle, a can of beans, a carrot, and an eggplant. A white label on the front of the basket reads "Rotary District 5180" with the Rotary emblem.

**REGISTER AT** [Rotary5180.org](https://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.

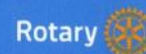
Please visit our website or reach out to us if you would like to help or get more information on this exciting project!

### ROTARY CLUB OF FOOTHILL HIGHLANDS

President Roland Wright  
(916) 417-1426  
rwright@hallsten.com  
foothillhighlandsrotary.org



## ROTARY CLUB OF FOOTHILL HIGHLANDS & LIFEPOINTE CHURCH PLAYGROUND PROJECT



[www.rotary.org](http://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](http://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		PHF
Robert Hale	(B)(GFHF)(GRIF)	PHF
Richard Hansen	(B+3)(GRIF)(P+2)	PHF+ 8
Crystal Harding-Jenkins		
Joe Kaiser	(GRIF+2)	PHF+ 8
Gordon Lipp		PHF+ 4
Patrick Magnani	(GRIF)(GFHF+2)	PHF+ 1
Dr. Steven Martinez		
Dominic Mecklenburg	(B)	PHF+ 8
Bob Meyer	(GFHF)	PHF+ 5
Sam Morgan		PHF+ 7
Bob Spears	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Lee Wiggins		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? \_\_\_\_\_

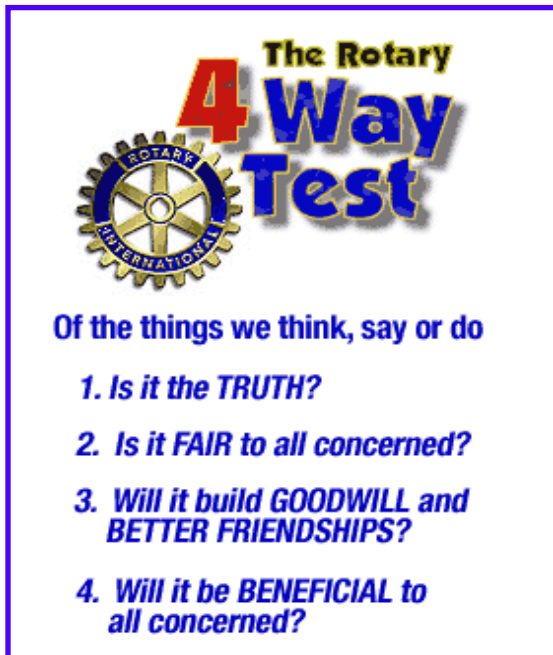
Intangibles, e.g. this student has overcome a hardship: \_\_\_\_\_

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Note: Award recipients will be contacted and notified

Return to: Roland Wright @ [Rwright@hallsten.com](mailto: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"

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.



**EWASTE 4 GOOD**  
GOOD 4 PEOPLE - GOOD 4 EARTH - GOOD 4 YOU  
Powered by Tri 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**



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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](http://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.