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# The Highlander

# THE 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



## Rotary Interational President 2019-2020 Mark Daniel Maloney Rotary Club of Decatur Alabama, USA

Mark Daniel Maloney is a principal in the law firm of Blackburn, Maloney, and Schuppert LLC, with a focus on taxation, estate planning, and agricultural law. He represents large farming operations in the Southeastern and Midwestern United States, and has chaired the American Bar Association's Committee on Agriculture in the section of taxation. He is a member

of the American Bar Association, Alabama State Bar Association, and the Alabama Law Institute.

He has been active in Decatur's religious community, chairing his church's finance council and a local Catholic school board. He has also served as president of the Community Foundation of Greater Decatur, chair of Morgan County Meals on Wheels, and director of the United Way of Morgan County and the Decatur-Morgan County Chamber of Commerce.

A Rotarian since 1980, Maloney has served as an RI director; Foundation trustee and vice chair; and aide to 2003-04 RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe. He also has participated in the Council on Legislation as chair, vice chair, parliamentarian, and trainer. He was an adviser to the 2004 Osaka Convention Committee and chaired the 2014 Sydney Convention Committee.

Prior to serving as a district governor, Maloney led a Group Study Exchange to Nigeria.

He also served as Future Vision Committee vice chair; regional Rotary Foundation coordinator; Foundation training institute moderator; Foundation permanent fund national adviser; member of the Peace Centers Committee; and adviser to the Foundation's Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene in Schools Target Challenge Committee.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

President Roland Wright called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. and thanked Gordon Lipp for filling in for PP Dominic Mecklenburg as today's official greeter. Leading us in the pledge was Gordon Lipp and providing the invocation was PP Bob Spears. Richard Hansen served as the note taker.

# **ROTARIANS AND GUESTS**

Today's Guests were **David Hansen** and **Yaphet Campbell** from the Hallsten Corporation. Visiting Rotarians were **Todd Andrews** from the Sacramento Rotary Club and our speaker **Bill Wittich.** 

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **New Board Retreat**

Sunday July 7th at Scribner Bend Vineyards, 9051 River Rd, Sacramento, starting at 12:00 p.m.



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# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**CLUB CALENDAR:** 

JULY 7 Board Retreat Scribner Bend 12:00
JULY 8 NO Meeting at Lions Gate, after Board

Retreat

JULY 10 Board Meeting

JULY 15 Regular Meeting at Lions Gate, TBA

# **WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS**

**MONDAY, JULY 15, 2019** 

**GREETER: BOB MEYER** 

PLEDGE: MARILEE MONAGAN

**INVOCATION: LEE WIGGINS** 

**NOTE TAKER: RICHARD HANSEN** 



We meet on Mondays at 12:15 p.m.
Lions Gate Hotel and Suites
McClellan Business Park
3410 Westover Street
North Highlands, CA 95632

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# **July Board Meeting**



The July Board Meeting will be held **Wednesday**, **July 10th**, 5:30 p.m. at the Umpqua Bank in Antelope.

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

If you have ideas to share, Board meetings would be a great forum. Just ask **President Roland** to be put on the Agenda.

## **Car Donation Program**



To arrange for a donation, call **Dominic's** cell **916-995- 4006.** He will make the arrangements for the pick up.

Several donations have been made and will be processed soon.

# E-Waste4Good Program



Our program is going strong with monthly pick-ups at Umpqua Bank. Larger items are being picked up and stored at Hallsten Corporation.

# Ink and Toner Cartridges Mini Fundraiser



**IPP 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; and as you replace the ink or toner cartridges, put the old ones in the bag and bring them to Rotary.



#### 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. Thanks to this partnership our contributions are matched two for one—\$25 becomes \$75.

Foundation Chair **Bob Spears** announced this year's goal is to raise \$1,000. Please save your loose change and deposit it in the *Change for Change* banks on the tables at our weekly meetings. **We collected \$7.85 at today's meeting.** 

# **Sacramento Century Challenge**





**Todd Andrews** from the Sacramento Rotary Club rode his bicycle from Carmichael to our meeting to promote the Sacramento Century Challenge to be held on October 5, 2019. It is sponsored by the Sacramento Rotary Club. For more information, go to:

www.sacramentocentury.com/



President Roland and Todd Andrews



JOHN HALLSTEN
1924 - 2019

In honor of the life & 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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#### **ROTARY FOUNDATION BENEFACTORS**

#### **NAME**

Hansen, Richard Kaiser, Joe Lipp, Gordon Magnani, Patrick Mecklenburg, Dominic Meyer, Bob Monagan, Marilee 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.

# **RECOGNITIONS**

Finemaster **Joe Kaiser** asked if any one would like to start the new year with a donation.

**President Roland** rang the bell for \$100 to the Club and bonged the gong for \$100 to Rotary Foundation.

**Joe** bonged the gong for \$100 to Rotary Foundation.

**Dominic:** Nick Mecklenburg just completed his sophomore year at UC Berkelev. He now needs 8 units to graduate! This was thanks to all the IB and AP classes he worked so hard to complete in high school. His plan is to return to UCB in the fall and take 13 units, including one class in Introduction to Japanese. In the Spring Semester, he's been accepted to study abroad in Japan at Tohoku University, Engineering studying and Science. Following that, he'll return to complete his Masters in 1 year. After 4 years, he'll then walk in graduation ceremonies having completed all the above. Very exciting!! **Dominic** bonged the gong for \$100 to Rotary Foundation.

**Lee** bonged the gong for \$100 to Rotary Foundation.

# BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

7/1/2019

Richard Hansen		PHF+ 8
Joe Kaiser	(GRIF)	PHF+ 8
Gordon Lipp		PHF+ 4
Patrick Magnani		PHF+ 1
Dr. Steven Martinez		
Dominic Mecklenburg	(GRIF)	PHF+ 8
Bob Meyer		PHF+ 5
Marilee Monagan		PHF+ 3
Sam Morgan		PHF+ 6
Bob Spears		PHF+ 4
Lee Wiggins	(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Katy Wright		
Roland Wright	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 8

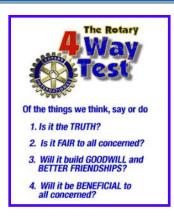
**Bell Ringer & Gong Codes:** 

(B) = Bell Ringer \$100 to Club

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

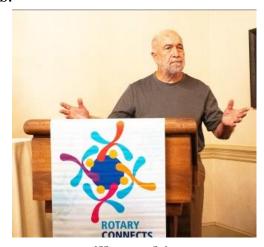
(GRIF) = Gong Bonger \$100 to RI Foundation

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.



# HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

IPP Patrick introduced Bill Wittich. Dr. Wittich is a speaker, consultant, and author in the field of leadership, motivation, and nonprofit management. For the past twelve plus years Bill and his wife Ann have traveled an average of 150 days a year. Their speaking schedule has taken them to all corners of the United States and through much of Europe. His doctorate is from the University of Southern California where he continues to serve as a mentor to graduate students in the School of Policy, Planning, and Development. Dr. Wittich has authored twelve books in the association and nonprofit field. He is Past President of the Rotary Club of Laguna Sunrise in Elk Grove and an honorary member of the Passport Club.



**Bill Speaking** 

He said that **Bill** and his wife **Ann**, for the past 10-15 years has been spending 200 to 250 days on the road. This experience led him to put down on paper, 27 secrets for travel that he and Ann has garnered over the years.

You are the sole person responsible for your travel experience. Don't use a travel agent.

Never pay the full price fare! There are now only 4 major airlines left, whereas, in the past there used to be 14. Many of the routes are small offshoot companies such as Delta Express and many others.

They fly with low experienced pilots. Regional carriers served 47% of airline flights last year. You should know this. Every carrier has 100 different fares. How does one get the best fare? Watch out for extra fees —such as checking bags, and making reservation by phone.

#### **Bill recommends:**

- 1.Buy your ticket more than 21 days in advance.
- 2.Buy ticket after 3 pm on Tuesday (that's when fees are adjusted)
- 3.Fly Tuesday, Wednesday, or Saturday because fares are less don't fly on Friday or Sunday afternoon.

Non-stop flights are to be recommended but: 1.Don't fly at 6 a.m. or the last flight of the day.

- 2.By law, you have 24 hours to change a flight
- 3.Avoid direct flights and avoid connecting fights with 20 minutes or less in between connections allow at least 4 hours inbetween for international flights and 2 hours for domestic flights.

If possible, use alternate airports in big cities – they are less crowded.

Get the best seat you can on the airplane. **Bill** recommends that you use the App: <a href="https://www.seatguru.com">www.seatguru.com</a>. They can help you. The seats are color coded – green for best, yellow for better, and red for not good. The exit rows are better, especially on the wings,

avoid the exit row in the back of the plane because you can not recline the seat and many time the back of the plane is near the rest rooms and smell.

If you are alone, get an aisle seat. **Bill** travels mostly with his wife, Ann, and so they will reserve an aisle and a window seat. Many times, the middle seat will not be sold and that's just fine – lots of room. If someone does use the middle seat you can easily asked him/her to exchange for window or aisle so you can sit together.

Check reservations weekly and 72 hours before the flight, look for seats opening up to the front of the plane.

**Bill** recommends that you get a credit card for the air line that you are traveling.

He said that, FYI, as of March 1st, 2017, your air miles award will be based on the price of the ticket.

Now Bill talked about TSA (security) which is a hassle.

Real ID's will be required October 2020.

He says look for business travelers and get in behind them – they are fastest through the line. Make sure that the name on your ticket exactly matches the name on your credit card (with correct spelling). You can get a pre-check status for \$85 and it is good for 5 years.

You will be able to leave your shoes on and leave your computer in your bag. If your flight is cancelled, you should call the airline IMMEDIATELY, don't try to go through lines and NEVER CHECK A BAG! **Bill** and **Ann** take one bag each and a big purse that Ann carries

on the airplane. If you don't check a bag you won't lose your luggage. To save room, wear lots of clothes and if you have extra clothes on your trip — send them home UPS. Spend money on good ear phones to keep the noise out and music or other in, set your watch to the time it will be when you get there. Join hotel guest programs because the benefits are big, the spouse is free, you get late checkout, good rooms and maybe a free breakfast.

Bill likes rooms on the higher floors – less people above you – and away from elevators and ice machines. Now cancellation policies are 24 and 48 hours – check that out and watch out for non-refundable reservations. Remember, rates in hotels go up after the weekend. Try to avoid the weekend and avoid mini-bars – they are expensive. Also watch out for resort fees such as fees for the use of the pool or tennis courts, etc. Always book the cheapest rental car because usually they sell out first and you can upgrade for free.

When you are at the airport and park your car – take a picture of the stall and number where you are at – comes in handy. Finally **Bill** mentioned the there are refundable 1st class tickets that are getting cheaper.



President Roland and Bill Wittich

As is our usual custom, **President Roland** presented our speaker with a gift in gratitude for his informative presentation.

He then asked the group to stand, raise their glasses and join him in a toast to Rotary Around the World.

The meeting was then adjourned





#### **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!

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The process is easy.

Here's how it works:



Tax deductible

# **Donate today!**

- Free towing
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