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Assistant District Governor Area 8 Ray Ward Rotary Club of Fair Oaks

Ray Ward

- Grew up a son of a career Marine. He was stationed in Southern CA, North Carolina and Hawaii. He retired to Penryn when Ray was entering high school.
- Attended nine different schools from kindergarten through high school.
- Graduated from Del Oro High School in Loomis where he played football.
- Ray has a Bachelor's of Science degree in Business from National University.
- He has been in sales his entire career and is currently an owner of Legacy Benefits & Insurance Services which provides employee benefits for small to medium-sized employers.
- Ray has been a Rotarian since 2007.
- His is a Past President of the Rocklin Loomis Basin Rotary Club serving in that capacity during the 2010-11 Rotary year.
- Past District Website Chair
- Ray is current serving as Assistant Governor Area 8 & District Membership Chair
- Also, he is on the Website Committee, Public Image Committee, A/V Team and Training Committee.
- Married for 20 years to Gena Simmons, who I meet the day of the Northridge earthquake.

CALL TO ORDER

President Dominic Mecklenburg began the meeting promptly 12:15 p.m. Today's official greeter was **John Hallsten**. Leading us in the pledge was **Jordan Backhaus** and PP **Marilee Monagan** provided the invocation. PP **Maureen McBride** served as the note taker and **Dick Biddle** served as the photographer.

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

We had lots of guests with us today. Visiting Rotarians included former Foothill-Highlands' Rotarian and Past District 5180 Governor **Tommy Neuman**, who is a member of the Rotary Club of Tappahannock, Virginia. **Tommy** and his daughter, **Amy** were in Sacramento over the weekend visiting with old friends and came to our meeting to see some additional old buds. Another Rotarian joining us for a second week in a row was former member and PP of both the Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands and Pocket-Greenhaven **Randy Burton**. Also attending the reunion was **Dick Biddle**, **Karla Curran** and **Amy Neuman**. And, last but certainly not least our speakers **Donna Harden** and **Walter Dearmond** with the AARP Re-set Program.

CLUB BANNER EXCHANGE



One of the highlights of the meeting was the exchange of banners between the Rotary Clubs of Tappahannock, Virginia (**Tommy Neuman**) and Foothill-Highlands (**President Dominic**.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BACKPACK PROJECT:



President **Dominic Mecklenburg** enthusiastically announced, that once again, the Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands will collect backpacks for under-served youth in the Center Joint

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Unified School District. We will collect backpacks each Monday during the month of August.

Check the Sunday edition of *The Sacramento Bee* for “deals” on backpacks and we can make a real impact on these students. Let’s set our goal for at least 20 backpacks.

USED/BROKEN EYEGLASS JOINT LIONS CLUB PROJECT:



Last week the president of the Antelope Lions Club visited our club; and we are going to partner with them to collect used/broken eyeglasses. We will have an official receptacle at our weekly meetings for this purpose.

AUGUST BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:



President Dominic announced the August board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, August 9th**

starting at 5:30 p.m. at the bank across the street from the Edward Jones offices.

A light dinner and refreshments will be available.

Just as a reminder: All members are invited and even encouraged to attend.

OFFICIAL DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT:

The **official District Governor's Visit** is scheduled for **Monday, August 15th**.

The board of directors will meet with **DG Barbara Tracy** at 10:30 a.m. in the Sherman Room and our regular meeting will begin at 12:15 p.m.

Visiting us that day as well will be former RYE Student **Mario Morales**.

All members are strongly encouraged to attend.



On behalf of Rotary Foundation Chair **David Stone, President Dominic** announced that he had a “square”

available for those wishing to donate/pay for their pledges to the Foundation.

President Dominic also announced the Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands was the first club in the District to reserve a table at the District Foundation Dinner on **Saturday, October 22nd** at the **Red Lion Inn** on Hwy. 160.

More details to follow.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROJECT:

International Service Director **Bob Meyer** announced he received a thank you letter for our recent contribution to the Operation Smile Project and a brick with our name will be used in the construction of a new facility in Virginia Beach, VA.

District 5180 Family Picnic

PP **Maureen McBride** announced

District 5180 will hold its first annual **Family Picnic** on **Sunday, August 21st** at Discovery Park in Sacramento from **11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

The cost is \$7 per person if you provide your own picnic basket and \$20 if you purchase food from Capital City Catering.

Bob Mutchler and his band will be there for your listening pleasure, a bounce house for the kids, volleyball and lots more.

The online registration was not available as of Sunday night but should be up and running Shortly.

Mo plans to circulate a sign-up sheet at next Monday's meeting.

E-Waste4Good Program

You can bring anything, anytime to Umpqua Bank or **President 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!

The goal for the year is \$600.

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2016

GREETER: RICHARD HANSEN

PLEDGE: SONJA CAMERON

INVOCATION: SAM MORGAN

NOTE TAKER: RICHARD HANSEN



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?**

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Margaret Hansen had a mild heart attack and is resting comfortably at Mercy San Juan Hospital in Carmichael.

Before week's end, she will be transferred to a Rehab Facility. We will keep you apprised of her recovery.

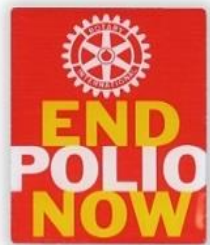
Please keep **Margaret** and **Richard** in your thoughts and prayers.

END POLIO NOW CAMPAIGN

We ask that you —

BRING YOUR CHANGE — FOR CHANGE.

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 our contributions are matched two for one—\$25 becomes \$75.



This year's goal is \$1,000. The yield from this week's *Your Change For Change* banks was \$15.57.

ANNUAL GIVING/PAUL HARRIS SUSTAINING FELLOWS

We continue our goal to have **Every Rotarian** contribute at least **\$100** to **The Rotary Foundation** and strive to achieve the status of 100% EREY and 100% Paul Harris Sustaining Fellows for the third year in a row.

FINES AND RECOGNITIONS

Finemaster Bob Spears began by recognizing himself for losing his memory—he left his notes on his desk at home. **Bob** spun the wheel for \$13.

For memory, **Bob** called on **Sonja Cameron** who he thought he remembered had

celebrated a wedding anniversary but wasn't around for recognition.

Sonja spun the wheel for \$3.

Next was **Gene, Sr.** who swore **Bob** to secrecy about his birthday since he doesn't celebrate them anymore. **Gene, Sr.** spun for \$4.

Bob then asked if there were any Rotarians who forgot to wear their Rotary pin. **John Hallsten** fessed up and had to pay \$1.

To round out the recognitions, **Bob** invited **PDG Tommy Neuman** to share some thoughts about his experiences in Rotary.



Tommy joined Rotary in 1972 and became a member of the Rotary Club of Foothill-Highlands in 1979. His first board position

was that of secretary and served as the club's President during the 1983-84 Rotary year. He said at the first District Conference he attended, he was so impressed with **Bob Meyer** because **Bobby** knew so many people. **Tommy** said **Bob Meyer** was the best Rotarian he ever knew.



PP Bob Meyer paying the price for the special praise imparted by **Tommy. Bobby** spun for a double zero (00) so all

Rotarians paid \$2.

Tommy then shared that he ran for District Governor and served in that position during the 1997-98 Rotary Year and said he could not have done the job without **Mo**.

Bob Spears invited **Tommy** to spin the wheel which he did for \$5.

Bob then invited **Mo** to spin the wheel because of the accolades she received for her help to **Tommy** as DG. **Mo** spun the wheel for \$5.



PDG Tommy Neuman, daughter Amy and PP Randy Burton

BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Jordan Backhaus	(GRIF)	PHF
Sonja Cameron		PHF
John Hallsten	(GRIF)	PHF+ 5
Richard Hansen	(GRIF)	PHF+ 7
Joe Kaiser	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 7
Gordon Lipp	(GRIF)	PHF+ 2
Gene Long	(GRIF)	PHF
Gene Long Sr.		
Patrick Magnani	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF
Dr. Steven Martinez		
Maureen McBride	(GRIF)	PHF+ 8 +
Dominic Mecklenburg	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 8 +
Bob Meyer	(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Marilee Monagan	(GRIF)	PHF+ 2
Sam Morgan		PHF+ 5
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Bob Spears	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 3
David Stone	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 7
Lee Wiggins	(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Roland Wright	(GRIF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 6

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.

ROTARY FOUNDATION BENEFACTORS

NAME

Hallsten, John
 Hansen, Richard
 Kaiser, Joe
 Lipp, Gordon
 Long, Gene
 Magnani, Patrick
 McBride, Maureen
 Mecklenburg, Dominic
 Meyer, Bob
 Monagan, Marilee
 Morgan, Cheryl (Sam)
 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).



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

CLUB CALENDAR:

AUG. 1 TRUDY HARRIS/TEAM GIVING
 AUG. 8 RON HARDER/SUCCESSFUL
 FUNDRAISING
 AUG. 15 DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT
 10:30 A.M. MEETING WITH BOARD
 12.15 P.M. REGULAR MEETING
 AUG. 22 JOE BALDI/MARIJUANA PROHIBITION
 AUG. 29 EVENING MEETING: ART DEARDOFF
 TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTION ON
 FACEBOOK, WEBSITE, ETC.

DISTRICT 5180 CALENDAR:

JULY 30 YOUTH SERVICES SUMMIT
 AUG. 13 STRATEGIC MEMBERSHIP PLANNING
 MEETING
 AUG. 21 DISTRICT-WIDE PICNIC
 OCT. 22 DISTRICT FOUNDATION DINNER
 MAY 5-7 DISTRICT CONFERENCE IN SANTA CLARA
 MAY 20 RI PRESIDENT JOHN GERM DINNER
 SACRAMENTO

HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK'S MEETING

Jordan Backhaus introduced **Brenda Harden** and **Walter Dearmond** with AARP.

Brenda Harden is the Project Director for AARP Foundation Senior Community Service Program for Sacramento and Stanislaus Counties with an office based in Sacramento and a satellite office in Modesto.

Brenda is responsible for managing 15 staff and supporting up to 160 program participants.

Brenda was born in Alabama and attended high school until the 11th grade when she was forced to quit school before graduating.

After marriage and raising her family, she relocated to Sacramento in 2000 and began a career with New Dimensions Learning Academy, a privately-owned, non-public, special education program, as a receptionist. After her first year, she was promoted to Administrative Assistant and was responsible for the school's Annual Recertification process through the Board of Education and participated in local school board meetings.

By the third year, **Brenda** was Administrator/Principal and achieved a 90% graduating success rate for the next five years. Inspired by her students, **Brenda** eventually returned to school completing her GED and attending Sac City College with a focus on Business.

Brenda started her career with the

AARP Foundation in September 2014 as Assistant Project Director. In July 2015, she was asked to serve as Interim Project Director and was promoted to Project Director in January 2016.

Walter Dearmond is a success story of the AARP Foundation Senior Community Service Employment Program where he serves as an Employment Specialist.

Walter spent much of his life blaming everyone but himself for his life's path. Once he took responsibility for his actions, his life turned around and he is grateful for each new day. He said, "each day, I put my best foot forward." He thanked **Brenda** for her guidance and the opportunities afforded him.

The AARP Foundation SCSEP was created to make connections between older adults looking to return to the workforce and employers looking to benefit from mature, experienced employees. For more than 45 years, the program has provided workers over the age of 55 with opportunities to fill entry-level and middle-level positions with employers in their communities.

For those individuals who need to learn a skill set, the AARP Foundation provides community service and work-based training. Participants are placed in a wide variety of facilities including day care, senior centers, schools and hospitals. This on-the-job training can then be transitioned to employment opportunities outside the program.

For those employers looking to fill a position, they can contact their local *WorkSearch* office

or go to AARP website: www.aarpworksearch.org and provide a job description with skill requirements and AARP will find eligible candidates for them to interview.

WorkSearch offers a no-cost trial employment option through AARPs On the Job Experience (OJE) program. In this program, AARP matches employers with qualified job candidates and pay their salaries and worker's compensation for an agreed-upon training period — usually two to four weeks. The workers are paid directly from AARP at the same salary offered for the position.

The program's track record speaks for itself as evidenced by their consistently high job placement rates.

Lots of great information for everyone with the exception of **Amy** and **Dominic** who have a ways to go before they qualify for AARPs help.

Thanks, **Jordan**, for another great program.

As is our usual custom, **President Dominic** presented today's speakers with a gift in gratitude for their informative presentation.

Then, **President Dominic** asked us to raise our glasses and join him in a toast to *Rotary Around the World*. The meeting was then adjourned.



President Dominic, Brenda Harden and Walter Dearmond

The First Annual D5180

Family Fun Picnic



Sunday, August 21, 2016

11:30 am - 3:30 pm

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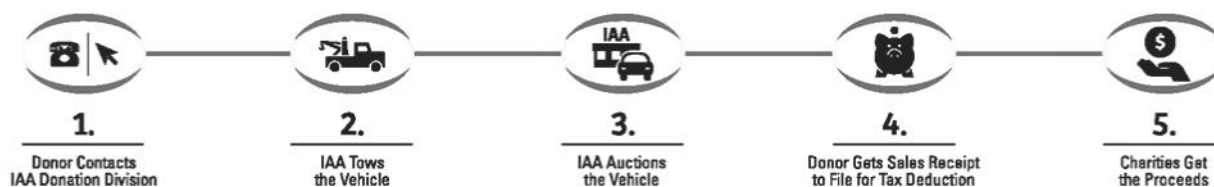
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