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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 Opens Opportunities

ROTARY IS FFF'N AMAZING



*Happy Thanksgiving!
To You And Your Family*

CALL TO ORDER

PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. Our official greeter was IPP **Roland Wright**. Leading us in the pledge was PP **Bob Spears** and providing the invocation was PP **Patrick Magnani**. **Richard Hansen** served as the note taker.

ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Guests included **David Hansen** and **Crystal Harding**, Program Director Black Child Legacy Campaign and Director North Highlands Recreation and Park District and today's speaker.

Holiday Party

IPP **Roland Wright** had a signup sheet for the Holiday Party on December 7th, at 6:15pm we will meet in the bar, at 7:00pm we will be seated with announcements, 7:15pm serve dinner. Don't forget club tradition, as always we will have a white elephant gift exchange too. For those interested in participating, bring a nice wrapped gift - \$20 value (no showerheads).

If you want to attend and cannot attend next week's meeting, contact **Roland** for reservations and dinner choice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11/30 NO Meeting
 12/7 Holiday Party, 6:15 P.M. at Lions Gate.
 12/14 Board Meeting and Lunch at Lions Gate.
 12/21 No Meeting
 12/28 No Meeting
 1/4 Regular Meeting and Lunch at Lions Gate.

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WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020

GREETER: PASTOR ROBERT HALE

PLEDGE: ROLAND WRIGHT

INVOCATION: LEE WIGGINS

NOTE TAKER: DOMINIC MECKLENBURG

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

CLUB WEBSITE: www.foothillhighlandsrotary.org/ (Club Runner)

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



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

COVID Estate Sale

Working together with the use of **Dominic & Roland's** trucks and the help of our rotary club members **Pat & Miguel** we have gathered items from several friendly sources (**Sharon Bias & Debbie Hudson**) in the past week for our Estate Sale. We were able to help both of these donors move items around and several items were donated and sold to raise funds for our community service projects.

Total estate sale fiscal YTD revenue = \$439.00



RECOGNITIONS

Fine Master **Joe Kaiser** is traveling.

IPP **Roland Wright** spun the wheel for **Jeff Hallsten** and his brother, **Bob Wright** who had birthdays. He spun a \$6.

PP **Bob Spears** had a birthday he rang the Bell for \$100 to the Club.

Rotaract Club at Meristem

In 2019 President **Dennis Dunbar** at the Rotary Club of Fair Oaks sponsored and founded this Rotaract Club. Meristem is a Fair Oaks School that prepares autistic young adults to enter the work force and live independently. Meristem Rotaract Club projects to date; Orangevale-Fair Oaks Food Bank, Natural Wildlife Restoration & they also have a non-Rotaract City of Refuge food program proving 150 meals a week.

Attached on page 4 is the Rotary Club of Fair Oaks newsletter article regarding the Meristem Rotaract Club of Fair Oaks. **Eric Steward** at Meristem is the contact person. The Fair Oaks Rotary Club is enjoying this Rotaract Club growing organically and at their own pace. They have 4 official members, and an additional 6 unofficial members. We believe that they are the only Neuro-Diverse Rotaract Club in the USA, possibly anywhere.

Roland Wright

District 5180 Rotaract Chair

THE ROTARACT CLUB AT MERISTEM

Club Liaison: Nick Broad



Meristem is a Fair Oaks school that prepares autistic young adults to enter the work force and live independently. Meristem has a Rotaract club sponsored by the Rotary Club of Fair Oaks. The Meristem Rotaract club helped us landscape the grounds at Center Point in 2019 by hauling and neatly spreading many, many cubic yards of wood-chip mulch on the front and north side areas. They also delivered food parcels for the Food Bank on Rotary Fridays during the summer of 2020.

This month, they are clearing a large patch of semi-public land that is used by neighborhood children to walk to Waldorf School, thereby avoiding hazardous traffic on Winding Way. Local residents have been maintaining the path to the Waldorf School for years and this year, Rotaract is helping.

Right - Two weeks ago, this area was covered in Scotch broom and brambles. Scotch broom is an invasive species that crowds out native plants and increases the risk of wildfires. Wild blackberries are also nonnative and invasive. Member Nick Broad surveys the completed work.



Left - Rotaract members haul repair materials. The path to Waldorf comes down this flight of stairs, crosses a creek, and goes up another flight of stairs, shown below.



SUNSHINE

PP **Bob Meyer** is recovering at home from eye surgery.

President Marilee Monagan is in the hospital.



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?**

HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

PP **Patrick Magnani** introduced **Crystal Harding**.

Profession: Nonprofit Director, Social Worker

Program Director, Liberty Towers Church (2018–current)

Member, Twin Rivers USD Student Housing Committee — Appointed position (2019-2019)

Navigator Training Academy Developer, Capital Health Network (2017-2018)

Regional Director of Social Services, LifeSTEPS, Inc (2010-2017)

Education:

California State University, Sacramento — Master of Social Work, Social Work (2013) Biography

long-time resident of the North Highlands community, has lived in the area for 23 years. This is the community where she both lives and works, and raises her three beautiful children in a multi-generational home, with my partner and parent.

Career has been one of service - helping families as a masters level social worker, connecting people to power, and getting our youth ready for success as a youth development professional with Liberty Towers Church, Black Child Legacy Campaign, and Impact Sac serving North Highlands, Foothill Farms, and the surrounding areas.

A proud alumna of Foothill High School, Alabama State University, and California State University, Sacramento! My cultural background and journey as a first-generation immigrant from Liberia, West Africa provides an insightful perspective as a foreign-born naturalized citizen.

Crystal began by explaining there goal, it is to empower and inspire people in under-resourced communities and homes to effectively communicate their needs, and accomplish their goals.



Our work is rooted in the principal of equipping program consumers with resources for them to become the best version of the change they wish to see.

Issues they deal with, 4 leading causes of death of African American children.



Other issues they deal with.



Student Voices is an experience that engages students as experts and connects them to people of influence (Recognized Influential Listeners) to provide solutions to teen mental health and safety. At these experiences, Teen Experts, Recognized Influential Listeners, a table facilitator, a scribe, and active listeners all gather at “OUR Table” where teens are heard and action is taken.



Some of the projects that they support.



Some of the methods that they use to communicate.



Upcoming project.



She then answered questions from the Rotarians.



PP **Patrick Magnani** and **Crystal Harding**

As is our usual custom, PP **Patrick Magnani** presented our speaker with a gift in gratitude for her informative presentation.

Following the Meeting PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** asked the group to stand, raise their glasses and join her in a toast to Rotary Around the World.

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.

**E-Waste4Good Program**

PP **Dominic Mecklenburg** announced that our E-Waste program is going strong with monthly pick-ups at Umpqua Bank. Larger items are being picked up and stored at Hallsten Corporation. **We have received \$145.92 this Rotary year.**

Car Donation Program

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



The Donation Form is on Page 9 of the bulletin.

The
Rotary
 Foundation


**BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS
 PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS**

Miguel Benitez	(GRIF)	
Robert Hale		
Richard Hansen	(B)(GFHF)	PHF+ 8
Joe Kaiser	(B) (GRIF)	PHF+ 8
Gordon Lipp	(B)	PHF+ 4
Patrick Magnani	(Bx2)(GRIF)	PHF+ 1
Dr. Steven Martinez		
Dominic Mecklenburg	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 8
Bob Meyer		PHF+ 5
Marilee Monagan	(B)(GFHF)(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Sam Morgan	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 6
Bob Spears	(B)(GRIF)	PHF+ 4
Lee Wiggins	(B)	PHF+ 5
Roland Wright	(B x 2)(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

(JH) = A donation to the John Hallsten Vocational Service Fund

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.

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.

The total amount contributed for Polio Plus fiscal YTD = \$1,273.00 and this entire amount will be eligible for the 4 to 1 match"

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.



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"

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**Foothill-Highlands Rotary Club
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North Highlands, CA 95660-0006**

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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.

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It will be sold at auction, and we will get the proceeds.

Your donated vehicle will provide critical funding to our charity and further our mission while supporting our goals. Even better, by donating your vehicle - you could also earn a tax deduction.

We have a partnership with the IAA Donation Division to process and sell the vehicles donated to us. They provide us with a simple solution to turn donated vehicles into much needed dollars.

The process of donating your vehicle is quick and easy - simply call 800-240-0160 or visit us online at foothillhighlandsrotary.org. Better yet, towing is free and scheduled for your convenience.

Call Dominic at 916-995-4006 E-mail dmecklenburg@comcast.net

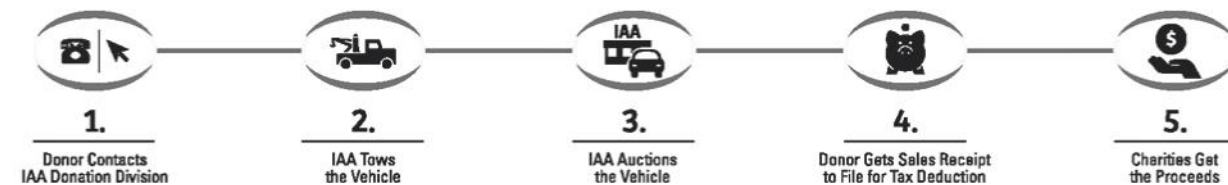
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Donor Name: _____

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Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

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Vehicle Information:

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VIN #: _____ Mileage: _____

Title Available: ☐Drivable: ☐**Comments:**

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Claim: _____

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