

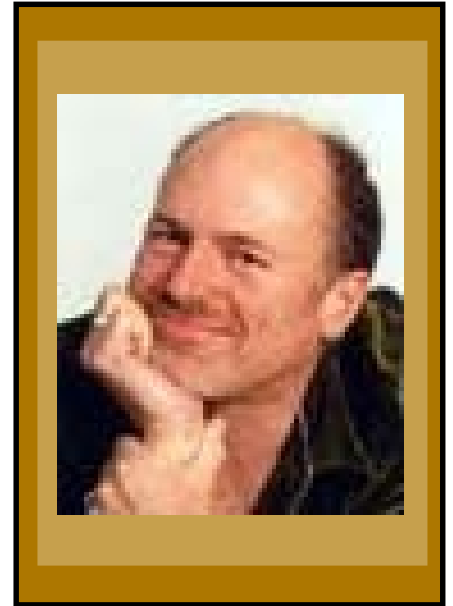
ROTARY CLUB OF HAYWARD

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Don't miss the next meeting with
Jay Holcomb

International Bird Rescue
San Francisco Oiled Wildlife Care
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*32 Years of Oiled Wildlife
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President John Caldwell called the meeting to order, reminding us that it was the 43rd meeting of our 87th year! The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by **Jim Phillips**. **Norma Rees** and **Chuck Horner** led us in America the Beautiful. **Del Della Dora** gave us the Thought for the Day: As Lily Tomlin said, “You can’t win in the rat race. Winning isn’t easy and even if you do win, you’re still a rat.”

Freddye Davis introduced Visiting Rotarian: Bob Tucknott!

Guests: Kristen Delaney Wiggins, guest of **Terry Lee**; Sharon van Brunt, guest of **Freddye Davis**; Roberta Perry, guest (and wife) of **Leo Parry**; Melvin Camarena, guest of **Andy Krake**; Craig Bueno, guest of **Charley Plummer**. Very special guests of **Don Mai** were wife **Karin**, son Stephen, daughter-in-law Debby, and grandkids Jakin, Jordan, and Kelsea, visiting from Australia!

Norma and **Chuck** led us in **Hello!**

President John did one of his very favorite things: awarding Paul Harris Fellowships. **Don Mai** sponsored Fellowships for his son and daughter-in-law, and looked mighty proud doing it.

Announcements:

Terry Lee told us about the June 29 Golf Fundraiser for Moreau Catholic High School; **Larry Lepore** told us about A Day at the Races, July 1, on behalf of the Greater Hayward Area Recreation & Park Foundation; **Heidi Finberg** and **Phyllis Moroney** told us about A Blooming Affaire, a Tour of Tables and Explosion of Design, June 5 & 6, at the Rotunda, Hayward City Hall, on behalf of the Chabot College Foundation.

Ed Mullins told us the Demotion on the evening of June 22 will be at **Chuck Maita’s** place, because his widow Gloria wants it to be held there. Please e-mail Ed if you plan to attend!! The cost will be about \$30.

President John told us that the Board has authorized between \$20 -\$24 thousand for community donations. The Dictionary Project is now fully funded. He also told us that the City of Hayward has asked for the names of those who represent their organizations, and for the Hayward Rotary Club it will be our very own **Robin Wilma!**

Fines and Foolishness: **Phyllis Moroney**, for being last in the door. **Terry Lee** made a donation in honor of this year’s graduates of Moreau Catholic High School. **Jim Phillips** announced three reasons for pride: his Silver Wedding Anniversary, his 55th birthday, and a visit to his daughter in Spain – and also made a gift to the Club in honor of **Chuck Maita**.

Brian Schott insisted on leading us in Waltzing Matilda, in honor of our Australian guests – but **Karin Mai** played the piano!

Membership: The following people have been proposed for membership in the Hayward Rotary Club (Objections must be made in writing to the Club Secretary within 10 days of this publication): Melvin Camarena, classification Real Estate & Communications, sponsored by **Ed Bullok**; Sharon van Brunt, classification Auto Transmission Services, sponsored by **Freddye Davis** and **John Caldwell**; Craig Bueno, classification Fire Protection Services, sponsored by **Charley Plummer** and **Jim Wieder**.

Have you visited our Website lately? www.haywardrotary.org

PROGRAM: **Chuck Horner** introduced our speaker, Dr. David Whitacker, Executive Director of Pregnancy Choices Clinic. He has been in that position for one year, and is originally from Columbus Ohio – but came here from the Upper Peninsula in Michigan, and doesn't miss the snow. He told us that he and his wife have a passion for helping those who hurt. They are involved in crisis intervention.



The largest number of unplanned pregnancies occur in women between 15 and 24 years old. For some, it feels like their life is over, so they need help and support from someone who cares. He told us about the importance of focusing on goals, because “if you aim at nothing you're sure to hit it.” The Clinic provides confidential services; it is licensed by California as a primary care medical clinic since 1994.

The Medical Services provided include pregnancy testing and prenatal care. The staff includes a team of doctors and nurses. A social worker is available for information and referrals. The Client Services provided are counseling, parenting education, group father talks, a family resource store, and referrals. Young parents can earn a kind of “monopoly money” to buy baby needs at the Resource Store or for hardware. Dr. Whitacker's wife is Client Services Coordinator, and she presents new mothers with a layette bag when they first bring the baby in. They network in the community, for needs that can be handled by other agencies.

Dr. Whitacker says they are non-political, pro-woman. They make no choices for people who come to them – they make their own choices.

How to get involved? Volunteer; hold baby showers; donate diapers and other necessities; talk to college groups about the clinic's services. Donate money.

Q: Is your program based on religion, and do you perform abortions?

A: They provide alternative to abortion, help with crises, are both pro-life and pro-choice. It is always the woman's choice. They explain up front that they do not perform abortions and make no referrals for abortion.

Q: Do you provide checkups after birth, and follow-up care?

A: Most of this is done by other agencies, so the clinic networks and makes referrals.

Q: Where does your financial support come from?

A: Individual donors who want to help. They get no government grants.

Q: Do you work with adoption agencies?

A: Yes.

Thanks to our speaker.

Next Meeting: On June 8 the speaker will be Jay Holcomb, of the international bird rescue San Francisco Oiled Wildlife Care & Education Center.

President John thanked our speaker and our distinguished guests and visitors, and reminded us that the June 15 meeting will be the Club Assembly, a time to look at our goals, our future, and reassess what we do right and what we can do better. Meeting adjourned.

District website: *(copy and paste this link into your web browser)*

<http://www.rotary5170.org/news/08-09/09-03-rotarypride-09.pdf>

Hayward Rotary Club Calendar

- June 8** Jay Holcomb - international bird rescue San Francisco Oiled Wildlife Care & Education Center (SFBOCEC).
- June 15** Club Assembly- Hayward Rotary Foundation
- June 22** DARK - Demotion Evening Meeting.

Need to find or confirm a Location?

Visit the District 5170 Website @ <http://www.rotary5170.org>



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