

ROTARY CLUB OF HAYWARD

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Invites you to the OMELET CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER

Held in the

St. Rose Hospital Grand White Tent - 27200 Calaroga Ave, Hayward
Sunday, October 11th, 2009, 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Donation: **\$10.00**
Children: **\$5.00**
at the door
(age 10 and under)



Benefiting:

- Hayward Schools 3rd Grade Dictionary Project
- St Rose Hospital Silva Children's Medical and Dental Clinic

Please join us for a great brunch!

Clip and Return

\$10.00 per person prepaid - Please make check payable to the Hayward Rotary Foundation.



**Please RSVP's
By Wednesday,
October 7, 2009**

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Steve Rubiolo
20519 Cambridge Ave.
Hayward, CA 94541

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Today's Greeters were **Sarah Lamnin** and **Nancy Eaton**. **President Rob Cook** called the meeting to order, reminding us that it was the 11th meeting of our 88th year! The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by **Tom Gratny**. **Norma Rees** and **Chuck Horner** led us in America – the third verse! (Don't worry – there are five more verses to go. **Faye Blackman** gave us this Thought for the Day:

The world is a dangerous place, not because of those who do evil, but because of those who see it and do nothing. Visiting Rotarians: **Faye Blackman** introduced Bob Tucknott of the Dublin Rotary Club; **Heidi Finberg** introduced Catherine Rickel of the Oakland Club. Guests: **Freddye Davis** introduced Ruth Evans, a volunteer at NAACP, and Gerald Best, of Realty Mentor; **Heidi Finberg** introduced Marcella Pierce and Bill West; **Jim Hanson** introduced his daughter Terri Hanson Mead. **Chuck Horner** led us in Hello! to greet our guests.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: **Brian Schott** reminded us about selling our tickets for the Omelet Champagne Bruch Community Fundraiser in the Great White Tent at St. Rose Hospital, Sunday, October 11. It will be a fun event, with music provided by high school and Chabot College students.

Debby De Angelis called our attention to the Rotary Foundation pledge cards on our tables. It is very important that we make our pledges now, in preparation for the visit of the District Governor.

President Rob reminded us that the Rotary Avenues of Service will be October 15 at Centennial Hall, and our club will do the bar (and sign-up sheets were passed around for volunteers to help with the bar); the club's Holiday Party will be December 12, at Stonebrae CC.

Norma Rees reminded us that next Sunday, September 27, is our turn to prepare and serve dinner at the Salvation Army, so let her know if you can help.

Sara Lamnin called our attention to the flyers on our tables announcing the Hayward Rotary Food/Fund Drive for the Alameda County Community Food Bank. Please give your checks or non-perishable food donations to **Sara** or **Del Della Dora**.

Heidi Finberg told us about the raffle fundraiser for Chabot College's Business Program Seminar – only \$5 a ticket!

Cate Steane explained FESCO's Rising Star Raffle, with amazing prize packages – see the PINK flyer!

Jim Wieder called our attention to the flyers announcing the 1st Annual Hayward/Union City Chamber Business Expo, under the Big Top at St. Rose Hospital, Wednesday, October 7th – reception, event, and music!

Bob Tucknott announced yet another event in October – the Dublin Rotary Club's Lobster Feed (yes, real lobsters) on October 10 at 6 pm.

Ken Meirovitz told us that the Dictionary Project will begin October 5 (the list of teams follows). Your team leader will contact you. Volunteers needed to help put the stickers into the dictionaries- Tuesday September 29, 6 pm, at John Wilma's on Dollar Street.

Fines and Foolishness: **Jim Hanson** was fined for his trip to five countries (but only got to three); **Freddye Davis** was fined for her new look; **Rick Felson** for travel to Washington D.C.; and **Phyllis Moroney** for a new job and Alaska cruise.

PROGRAM: **Chuck Horner** introduced Ben L. Henderson, founder and director of MALTA (Motivation and Learning through Aviation) at the Hayward Airport. Mr. Henderson has been active in aviation for nearly 54 years. He has owned, maintained, and flown airplanes as a private pilot for more than 34 years. During this time he has conducted various youth community activities at the airport and as a member of the Bay Area Black Pilots Association and the Tuskegee Airmen. Mr. Henderson served 34 years in the military, as an Aviation Maintenance Technician at United Airlines, and Instructor of Aviation Maintenance Technology for San Mateo Community College and for Sierra Academy of Aeronautics in Oakland. He currently serves our City of Hayward on the Human Service Commission and as Vice President of the Hayward Neighborhood Alert.

Mr. Henderson told us that aviation has been a strong influence on his life. After training as an Air Force mechanic in 1954, at age 18 he was assigned to the B36 Bomb Squadron in Maine. Also called the Peacemaker, the plane was the largest of its time. Plans for this plane went back to 1941, to be available for bombing Germany in the event that Britain was defeated. He has long had connections with vocational education. It provides challenges and opportunity to young people, offering the potential of meaningful and productive lives. The College of San Mateo has a two-year aviation maintenance program. Mr. Henderson told us the story of the doctor who had a plumbing problem in his office. He called a plumber who fixed the problem quickly, and said his bill was \$3000.

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For twenty minutes, said the doctor – I am a brain surgeon and I don't get that kind of money. The plumber said that when he was a brain surgeon, he didn't either. Mr. Henderson went on to tell us that many children do not go on to college, so vocational training makes it possible for them not to be left on the margins of society, where they might learn only anti-social behavior and wind up in the correctional system. Today the prison budget in California is larger than the budget for education. A shortage of skilled people is anticipated, yet most support goes to those who go to college. Career and technical education is a lifeline for young people who are not academically bound. Community support is needed for these programs. The Motto of the East Bay Aviators is Lifting Up Youth. It is vital that they be exposed to aviation and other career/technical opportunities. California's current prison system is under siege because it is too crowded. California once had a fine system, leading the nation.



Mr. Henderson introduced us to the program in Compton in southern California, Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum, and showed us an impressive video. The program enrolls kids from all walks of life, offering them an alternative to drugs and violence. It is an interactive museum that makes aviation part of the community. The young people learn many kinds of skills, including retail skills at the Sky Café at the Museum. Part of the program is a "think tank," encouraging kids to open their minds. Young people who become pilots at a very early age become role models in their community. The founder of the Museum program is Robin Petgrave. He is well known for his flying skills, especially for landing a helicopter on a dime – and giving change! The kids have great respect for him. A young woman in the program said that she would be pregnant or in jail, without the program. The Museum is the latest chapter in Black History; it is supported by legislators in the state and federal government. The founder urges that other cities develop similar programs. Children who cannot afford the program can attend because of the help of donors. The parents are very appreciative. At the end of the video, a young boy kissed the plane – awesome! Mr. Henderson is offering the program in Hayward, and has his office at 22655 Skywest Drive, Hangar Row A. He has been running the program to the best of his ability, and now needs funding for it. Compton's program can be replicated in Hayward! **Chuck Horner**, with a tear in his eye after seeing the video, urged us to support the MALTA program. Applause!

The next meeting will be on September 28, 2009, speaker Jeremy Fife, about Pulse Check CPR and updates on cardiovascular resuscitation. The following week October 5th, 2009, will feature District Governor Loren Harper's visit. **President Rob** thanked the speaker, our guests, and adjourned the meeting.

TEAM MEMBERS DICTIONARIES 2009						
TEAM 1	Tina Martinez					
Alejandre Phillips (Jim)	Garcia Rivera	Goetsch Senna	Hunter Tompkins	Lee Wallace	Martin Della Dora	Nekrawesh
TEAM 2	Joel Thornley					
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TEAM 6	Rita Shue					
Bullock Pendleton	Early Reams	Finberg Sakai	Hoffman Vilardi	Lamnin Wilma	Mahoney	Mullins
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District website: (copy and paste this link into your web browser)

<http://www.rotary5170.org/news/09-10/09-09-OneChild-03.pdf>



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Hayward Rotary Club Calendar

- September 28 **JEREMY FIFE, Pulse Check CPR updates of cardio-vascular resuscitation**
- October 5 **LOREN HARPER - District 5170 Governor 2009-10**
- October 12 **Hayward Rotary Foundation**
- October 19 **CHRISTOPHER PLUMMER (Charley's son) - Security in the Corporate World**
- October 26 **KATE SCULTI, De Young Museum & Museum of Fine Arts, King Tut Exhibit**
- November 2 **JEFFREY BASS, President & CEO, Hiller Aviation Museum**

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