

ROTARY CLUB OF HAYWARD

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President's Message



Fellow Hayward Rotarians,

Happy New Year - we just passed the halfway point of this Rotary year. As your Club President I want to say it is a pleasure serving you and the Rotary Club of Hayward. In preparation for this Rotary year and during the last six months, I have discovered the power of Rotary. The potential in our hands by being Rotarians to effect change on a local and global scope is awe inspiring. Rotary's work is done at the Club level – when each member in every Club gives Service in his or her own personal, business and community life, we truly can change the world. It's more than coming to meetings, wearing the pin, or paying dues – it's Service. *Service Above Self* is what it means to be a Rotarian.

Each of us is challenged to look for ways to serve others and to serve with high ethical standards to advance world and local understanding, goodwill, and peace through the fellowship with the business leaders and professionals who are our members. Our collective ideas, creativity, and innovation will generate far greater good than anyone of us can achieve alone. This is what it means to be a Rotarian.

Each of us needs to share our time, energy, and resources to be of Service internationally and locally, in our club, and in our vocation. We don't just have the 4-Way Test – we are charged with actually living it in all our dealings with others, including fellow Rotarians and their families. This is what it means to be a Rotarian.

The work of Rotary is enabled, in part, by your commitment of your resources, as well as, your time and energy. To have an organization for Service, our Club has an essential business operations side with facilities, equipment and overhead. We assess ourselves dues, pay "fines" using humor whenever possible, and pay for lunch or absences to cover those costs. When the financial obligations are fulfilled, our organization can deliver Service. This is what it means to be a Rotarian.

- *Is it the truth?*
- *Is it fair to all concerned?*
- *Will it build goodwill and better friendships?*
- *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

For 2007-2008 the Hayward Rotary Club has an \$82,200 annual operating budget.

INCOME		EXPENSE	
Membership Dues	\$27,600	Due Paid (RI & District)	\$11,800
Fines	9,000	Facilities (Rent)	10,000
Make-ups	6,000	Office & Administrative	10,500
Lunch (60 person minimum)	39,600	Membership & Communications	7,300
	TOTAL \$82,200	Lunch (60 person minimum)	34,320
		Service Projects	1,600
		Training	5,300
* Foundation contributions don't apply to our Operations Budget		TOTAL	\$80,820
		SURPLUS	\$ 1,380

Your Club appreciates your attendance every Monday for lunch and fellowship. We need and value your continued participation in and dedication of your energy to Club projects and operations. This is what it means to be a Rotarian.

Sincerely,
 Ed Mullins
 President



President Ed Mullins called the meeting to order. Paul Wallace led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and “just Chuck” Horner gave the Thought for the Day. Lee Tompkins led the Club singing “America” and our greeting song “Hello”. Steve Bristow introduced visiting Rotarians Bob Tucknott from Dublin (Ireland? no, Dublin, California) and Char Raimondi from the Piedmont Club and Lynne Orne from Castro Valley. There were a number of Rotary Guests today, Dr. Dale Vigil with John Caldwell, Monica De Jarlais with Ed Mullins and Valerie Bay, Chris Vassar and Colleen Swartz with Mary Caldwell. (note to all Rotarians, if you want your guests names spelled correctly, get the information to the High Gear Editor after the meeting)

President Ed called Lee Tompkins to the podium right after the greeting song to present Lee with his Blue Badge, of course the blue badge came with a \$10 processing fine. Congratulations Lee.

President Ed invited Andy Krake to join him at the podium, conspicuously absent was Ed Bullok, Andy’s sponsor. Andy was inducted in to the Club, given his Rotary Pin, Red Badge and briefcase full of information about Rotary. The members gave Andy a round of applause to welcome Andy into the Hayward Rotary Club.

President Ed reported on the Board of Directors meeting held last Thursday.

- The Club is considering partnering with Palo Alto Rotary in a water well project in India with the use of \$1800 of our District Designated Funds provided through The Rotary Foundation for international use. President Ed noted these funds cannot be used for the Kenya Truck Project; we have used all of the available funds from the District for that project.
- The Club approved using our Club Opportunity Grant funds of \$800 for our annual Dictionary Project. Club Opportunity Grants are provided through The Rotary Foundation for local use.
- We discussed moving forward the potential upgrading of the Computer Technology Center at the Hayward Adult School as the Club’s Major Community Service Project for this year. We have received a wish list from the School for several items needed to bring the Technology Center up to current standards.

Announcements

- Kathleen Kearney let us know she has 5 volunteers to serve for the Sunday dinner at the Salvation Army. Dinner is on January 27th this month from 4 to 7:30 PM. Contact Kathleen Kearney if you want to help.
- President Ed announced there is one spot left at the table reserved for Hayward Rotary at the Chamber of Commerce Gala. Contact President Ed if you wish to attend and sit at the Rotary Table.
- Community grant requests are due on February 28. If you know of an organization seeking funding or assistance from the Club, make sure their request is in by the February date. Primarily, our Club goals are to serve Children in Hayward.
- Roster Book updates are due to Becky Avelar, the Club Secretary. Steve Rubiolo is working on the Roster updates and will have current information available soon. Make sure your information is correct.
- President Ed read a letter to Don and Karen Mai from a student who received one of the dictionaries this year. As always, the letters are cute and heart warming.
- Nominations are due for the Outstanding Hayward Rotarian. This award honors a Club member who exemplifies the object of Rotary in the Club and also in the Community. Nominations need to address how the nominee has provided service in all four Avenues of Service with specifics of why you feel the person should be the Outstanding Hayward Rotarian. Nominations should be turned into the Club President or anyone on the Committee.

Tommy Trampetti has always been known for his donuts but now he has invited everyone to come by his new shop, “Big Apple Bagels” at 20665 Rustic Dr. in Castro Valley, right across from Dave Knudsen’s Ice Creamery. Tommy said he serves the best breakfast sandwiches and lunch and dinner sandwiches among other items you

will find in the Bay Area. Tommy gave \$200 to the Kenya Truck project for his announcement.



President Ed began the recognition portion of the program noting Dr. Alex Budde was the last in the door today, Alex paid \$5.00. Then the President noted Ed Bullok was actually the last in and he wasn't here to support Andy Krake when he was inducted in to the club. Ed was Andy's sponsor. Ed paid a \$20 fine for being late and for missing Andy's induction.

Three people didn't show up for the Bell Ringing and Nels Nelson had to ring through their shifts. Fined for not ringing when they should have were Pam Russo and Laura Swan, Mike Mahoney has something to look forward at the next meeting.

Tina Martinez, Steve Kautz, Sue Bradley-Frye and Doug Vieira were each fined \$10 for being bankers; Doug paid \$20 for being a retired banker.

Anna May paid \$40 for telling everyone how great business has been for her despite the economy. She also announced her sister had a baby so she is an Aunt.

Joe Vilardi, John Caldwell and Larry Lepore were fined for being tall. After President Ed noted he wouldn't want to be on their bad side, Larry Lepore asked how the Pres. planned on collecting the fines.

Pam Russo donated \$45 in Phyllis Moroney's name because the St. Rose Hospital Foundation received a \$45,000 donation from Eden Hospital.

Dr. Alex Budde also had some great news, her oldest daughter graduated from college, she donated \$50 in Reid Lindblom's name because he found her son-in-law who was lost on campus in time to make her daughters ceremony.

John Caldwell introduced our speaker today, Robert Miller, executive Director of the National Fragile X Foundation. Mr. Miller explained Fragile X is a hereditary/genetic condition which can impact families in many ways. Fragile X syndrome is the most common cause of genetically-inherited mental impairment ranging from subtle learning disabilities and a normal IQ to severe cognitive or intellectual challenges including autism or autistic-like behavior.



Andy Krake with Ed Bullok

President Ed Mullins with speaker Robert Miller & Stephanie Jacob, John Caldwell (in back)

OUTSTANDING ROTARIAN 2008

On April 21st we will honor our Outstanding Rotarian for 2008. Spouses and guests are encouraged to attend. Please submit nominations for anyone you feel exemplifies our "outstanding" club by their service to both the club and the community. Nominees are evaluated in each of the four avenues of service. Nominations must be received by March 3rd. Forms are available from Becky Avelar or Ken Meirovitz, or a letter may be used.

Hayward Rotary Club Calendar

- Jan 21** **No Meeting, Martin Luther King Day**
- Jan 28** **Speech Contest**
- Feb 4** **Vocational Talks, Joe Abreu, Steve Bristow and Susan Bradley-Frye**
- Feb 11** **Valentines Day Luncheon**
- Feb 18** **No Meeting – President’s Day**

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