



Meeting Date: November 10, 2016

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Steve Solomon Updates Rotary Foundation



Before the meeting, **Rick Hill**, (left), entertained us with his beautiful guitar music. Thanks, **Rick**, it adds a lot to our meetings.

President Ray introduced **PP Greg Balkovek** Co-captain of Team 5 who got things going. **Jason Waybright** led the pledge. **Robin Dummer** asked for a moment of silence to acknowledge the passing of long time Rotarian, **Britt Vail**. After the moment of silence, **Robin** gave the invocation. **Steve Williams** related some personal stories of how **Britt Vail** had affected his life when **Steve** was young and how much he will be

missed. **PP Art Smithson** introduced visitors and guests.

Blue Badge: **Stephanie Bridgett** traded her red badge for a blue one. She looked happy. Congratulations, **Stephanie**.

Recognitions: **Dennis and Amelia Ward** cancelled each other's vote in the national election. Each donated \$100 to their respective Paul Harris Accounts with an emphasis on Polio Plus. Thanks, and we hope the ice melts soon.



President Ray and Stephanie Bridgett

PP Greg Balkovek went hunting in Wyoming for antelope and Tule Lake for ducks. Was successful and gave \$200 to his Paul Harris with an emphasis on Polio Plus. Thanks. **Greg**.

Joe Hedayattzadeh qualified for his Black Belt in Jiu-Jitsu. Thanks, **Joe** for the \$100 to your Paul Harris with an emphasis on Polio Plus.

Parvin Carter spent a total of six days between Stockton and Sacramento providing dental services to underprivileged kids. Nice work, **Parvin**, and we appreciate the \$100 to the club.

Dave Dennis thanked the club for the support of the Friends of the Empire Dinner, and finished off his Paul Harris with an emphasis on Polio Plus. Thanks, **Dave**.

Greg Dunbar is finishing his new house. **Greg** gave \$100 to his Paul Harris with an emphasis on Polio Plus. Thanks, **Greg**.

Jeff Avery started off to take his youngest daughter to a Jimmie Buffet concert and ended up taking the whole family. After the concert, they went between Jackson and Lodi wine tasting. He was heard to say, "If you want to change your attitude, change your latitude". Quite a job! Was worth \$300 to his Paul Harris with an emphasis on Polio Plus. Thanks, **Jeff**.

Lee Salter went Elk hunting and got a really nice Elk. **Lee** donated \$250 to his Paul Harris with an emphasis on Polio Plus and the same amount to **Judy's** Paul Harris for her birthday. Thanks, **Lee**.

Richard Malotky was on the same hunting trip as **Lee** and also got a nice Elk. **Richard** donated \$100 to his Paul Harris with an emphasis on Polio Plus. Thanks, **Richard**.

Editor's note: When a donation is made to a Paul Harris Fellowship and earmarked for Polio Plus, the Gates Foundation matches it 2 for 1 so a \$1 donation becomes \$3. So we made a lot of money today for Polio Plus. Nice.

Club Elections: Elections were held today for next year's officers. The new officers are: President Elect—**Greg Dunbar**, Secretary—**Erik Poole**, Treasurer—**Trudy Tavares**, New Directors—**Theresa Adams**, **Dar Barzin**, and **Todd Davis**. Congratulations and thanks for your service.



Program: **Steven Solomon** gave the program today. **Steve** is the annual giving officer for Zones 25 and 26. He works for the Rotary Foundation. **Steve**, right, has had a long involvement with Rotary. He was an Interact Club member and an Ambassadorial Scholar in South Africa. While studying in South Africa he met Jane Goodall, Desmond Tutu, and learned the Zulu language.

He became involved with Jane Goodall's program called "Roots and Shoots" where local improvement programs are developed.

Steve spoke at length about the Rotary Foundation and all the good works it has done. Some of the data he shared:

Polio Plus: Rotary has immunized 2.5 billion children against polio. Over \$1.5 has been spent in this effort.

Rotary Peace Centers: The foundation funds studies at the six peace centers located throughout the world. This program provides Master's Degrees or Professional Development Certificates in Conflict Resolution and the furtherance of peace.

District Grants: Funds smaller scale local projects. Our club has had many projects funded by the Foundation.



Global Grants: Funds larger scale international projects. We have participated in many of these projects over the years.

Steve encouraged Rotarians to contribute to their Paul Harris Fellowships. He emphasized that the money is well spent and carefully managed.

Thanks for coming, **Steve**.



Calendar	
November 17	Paul Vienneau Shasta Land Trust
November 24	Dark Thanksgiving
December 1	Joe Wyse & Shasta College
December 8	Madrigal Singers
December 15	Christmas Party No Noon Meeting

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