



**The Electric Car: Murder Victim, Suicide, or Still a Gleam in Its Parents' Eyes?**

*Dr. James M. Postma, Electro-Chemical Expert*

**Rotary Year 2024-2025, 19th Meeting, 1st Year, 2nd Century**



**Mike Warren,**  
Honor to Youth



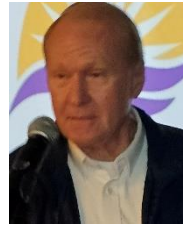
**PP & ADG, Joe Ayer & Flat Joe, Team 1 Co-Captains**



**Dr. James M, Postma, Expert Speaker**



**Rick Fauss, President**



**Mike Mangas, Invocation & Sunshine**



**PP Jake Mangas, Visitors and Guests**

**President Rick Fauss** started the meeting at 12:00pm, knowing that we had a "meaty" speaker's topic and Honor to Youth, on the agenda!

As you can see, **PP Joe Ayers** took on many roles today. He was like **Tom Hanks** in the movie, "Polar Express."

**Tom** played seven (7) characters! Tom received a \$40 million payment for his acting and shared in another \$60 million from the gross receipts of the film. **PP Joe** got lunch that he had to pay for himself!

But we did appreciate all of his efforts!

**Thank You Team 1 – Joe Ayer & Joe Wyse**

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| <b>AV</b>                     | Tony Giovaniello                       |
| <b>President's Fundraiser</b> | Joe Ayer                               |
| <b>Pledge</b>                 | Joe Ayer                               |
| <b>Invocation</b>             | Mike Mangas                            |
| <b>Welcome Guests</b>         |  |
| <b>Greeters</b>               | Alan Knott, Melinda Brown, Mark Rincon |
| <b>Photographer</b>           | Bret Christensen                       |
| <b>Sergeant-At-Arms</b>       | Randy Tate                             |
| <b>Prize Donation</b>         | Joe Ayer                               |
| <b>Spillway</b>               | Tony Giovaniello                       |

**We did have a blood drive today!**

**A number Rotarians supported the important need for blood in our community!**

**BLOOD DRIVE TODAY!**

If a Rotarian brings a donor, the Wedding Rotary Club will buy them lunch!

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## Announcements

PP **Amelia Ward** is looking for just a few more volunteers for November 21<sup>st</sup>, to staff our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Seniors, at the Mercy Oaks facility.

She needs “Dishwashers” for thee latte shift! That’s all that left to mann this worthwhile event!

Please connect with her to volunteer!



Helping our Seniors Enjoy Thanksgiving!  
*Service Above Self*

**Jack Kimple**, who has been leading the “tear-down” of the Haunted House was coming down the stretch. They needed a team this past weekend. However, there may be more to do. If you can help, please reach out to **Jack** to see what else may be needed!

PP **Joe Ayers** has a guest, **Andy Rodgers**, who was working with Mercy Oaks to assist with senior programs.

**Dr. Norman Hall**, introduced his guest and our program speaker, **Dr. Jim Postma**. **Dr. Postma** is also the Board Chair for Simpson University.

**Bob Allen** introduced his guest, his wife, **Cindy Allen**!

**Mike Warren** introduced the group of guests for our Honor to Youth program that included our awardees, their sponsors, and loved ones.

**Brian Scarr** introduced two prospective new members.

**Andy McCurdy** introduced his wife, **Mary McCurdy**. She had announce to make about supporting families in need at Christmas through her non-profit organization.

This is Rotary Foundation month. Any Rotarian who contributes their first \$100 ever to the Rotary Foundation will receive a matching contribution from Rotary!

Please make this contribution before December 5<sup>th</sup> to be eligible for this matching fund!





President Rick gave a “shout-out” thank you to PP Jenn Finnegan and to Alex Hauf-Beldin for all of the fall table decorations for our meeting today!

On December 5<sup>th</sup>, as we celebrate “Foundation Day.” All are encouraged to wear your Rotary Foundation (Paul Harris) pins. Anyone that has a pin and does NOT wear it may be subject to a \$10 “engagement” fine! We encourage you to wear and display them proudly!

Cindy Fisher, shared information about two Christmas Season opportunities. First, we have some slots for Bell Ringers, in early December. Second, we have the opportunity to adopt seven (7) families. Please contact Cindy to get involved in either or both of these wonderful giving projects!

To kick these projects off, PP Ed Rullman, shared that CR Gibbs was contributing \$500 to get the ball rolling on these Christmas giving opportunities! Thank you, PP Ed, and thank you, CR Gibbs for your leadership!

On the evening of Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, our club will its annual Christmas Party. PP Jenn Finnegan said that we would be DARK that day. However, the difference this year is that the Party would be funded just like a normal meeting. All our encouraged to attend the evening event at Riverview. All will be charged the normal meeting fee for that day. There will be no additional charge for the Party, but all members whether present or not, will be charged according to their status.

The event will be unlike most past Christmas Party. There will be games and activities. All will be encouraged to be mingling much like a “cocktail” party environment. The goal is to have fun. So, you can wear your ugly Christmas sweaters or anything else that would denote a measure of frivolity!

Mary McCurdy is the founder and President of the Community Alliance Network of Northern California. Rotary is partnering with that organization by enabling them to use our 501 (c)(3) status for the next year to fulfill their mission. They are holding a Christmas enablement event on December 14<sup>th</sup>.

They need donations and workers to provide a complete and wonderful Christmas experience for these families who would not otherwise have such blessings!

Please connect with Mary if you are interested in working our donating to this worthwhile cause!

### Board Meeting Update (November)

President Rick said that one of the outputs of the November Board meeting was a decision to contribute \$3,000 toward Bruce Dean’s Black Bear Food Back Pack Program, in Nicaragua.

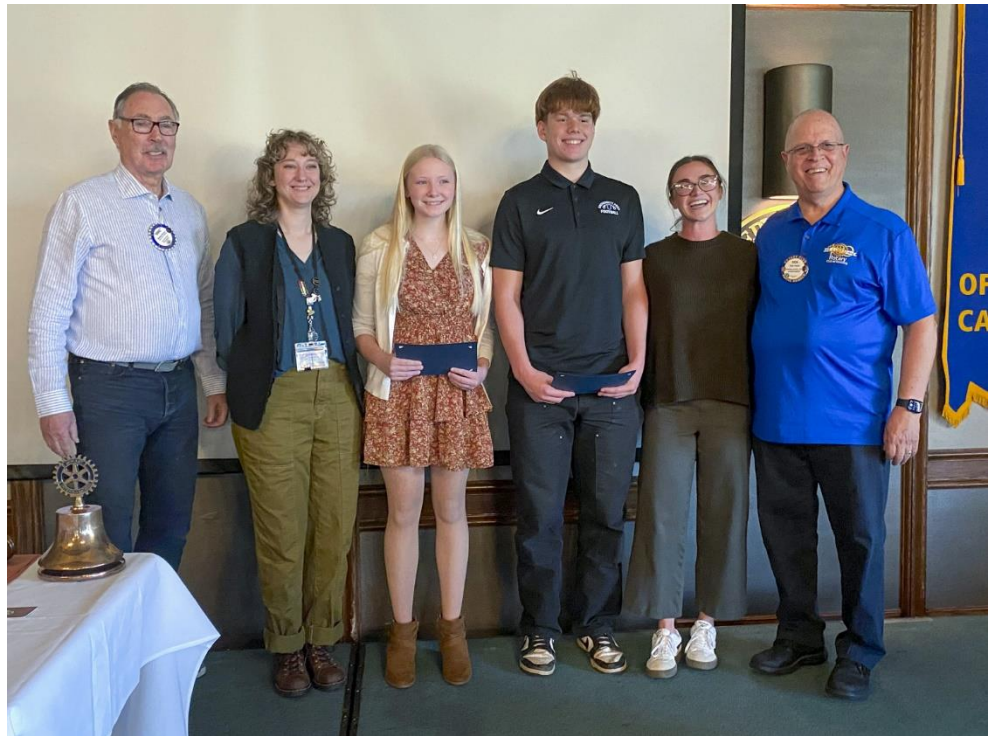
They also approved a \$10,000 donation to the Dignity Cancer Care Facility Project. Other local Rotary Clubs have donated another \$35,000 to this cause! We will have our logo affixed to a Park Bench in recognition of this community benefitting donation!

## Honor to Youth

This week, **Mike Warren** acknowledged the hard work of awardees from Turtle Bay Exploration and the YMCA.

A young lady from Turtle Bay, with excellence in her scholastic activities, but also many volunteering and service activities was honored.

Also, a young man from YMCA, a local high school athlete and scholastic performer was recognized. Both received an certificate and a check for \$250!



**Jack Kimple** was recognized for all of his effort in the Haunted House tear-down, both as an individual contributor as the leader of the effort!

He was recognized, but not “fined!” Obviously, President Rick did not want to penalize him for a job well-done!

**Jack** was giving blood through this recognition....

**Mark Wood** offered \$100 to Jack’s Paul Harris in recognition for the effort!

**PP Art Smithson** was not in attendance at the meeting. However, he acted as the master of ceremonies for a Veterans event at the VA cemetery. Fellow Rotarians, in attendance, shared some insight about the great job **Art** did.

**President Rick** was not going to fine him. He just wanted to thank **Art** for representing himself, our club and his fellow veteran’s with such honor and grace!



**Remember: The Next Two Weeks we are DARK...Next Week, we are at Mercy Oaks Serving in the evening!**

## Program



### The Electric Car: Murder Victim, Suicide, or Still a Gleam in Its Parents' Eyes?

14 November 2024 - Redding, CA

Dr. James M. Postma presented information packed with data, comparisons, and considerations related to electric cars, octane (gas) cars, and other new technologies such as CNG (compressed natural gas – methane), and Hydrogen powered vehicles.

He discussed the benefits and challenges related to each of these technologies and compared them to the gas-powered cars we currently operate!

#### Link to the Program Slides:

##### PowerPoint:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/14XGvsG3LbcbtwxVvesLolicvBrJtqljT/edit?usp=sharing&oid=103710665847894715894&rtopf=true&sd=true>

##### PDF:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dYhleWOPoZRTnOfBVkspUBB4ONdu9jaH/view?usp=sharing>

#### Link to the Program Audio:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZiYHxAxIO5In1KeNTSKnnfHDUNr7DNGs/view?usp=sharing>

Remember Richard Malotky in your prayers...

He was last known to be in ICU in Kansas...details to follow!

**Lucky visitor** had the white ticket for the **TILE Game (Four Way Test Game)** again, two weeks in a row! However, he picked a winning letter this time, "T"! It was worth \$40... the visitor donated it back to the club!

**Bob Allen** won the door prize!

#### Link to the 4 Way Test Song:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nYfpEjqog4gxAen9qZj6YasdxgmXyA3z/view?usp=sharing>

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