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## The Promise of Christmas at Point West Rotary

SACRAMENTO, CA – President **Mark Copeland** gavelled the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the 20<sup>th</sup> term of the Rotary Club of Point West – Sacramento to “order” on time at 7:15a.m.

**Viggo Mathiesen** led the pledge of allegiance with great vigor and Maestro **Guy Heilman** led the assembled in rousing rendition of the J.S. Pierpont holiday classic – **Jingle Bells**.

**Ed Goldkuhl** presented the “thought for the day” and shared an inspiring story about a young girl and starfish on the beach.

Next up were introductions of guests in the room and seated at the Head Table. At the head table on Pres. **Mark’s** right were **Roger Andriese**, GSE Team Leader, and new board member **Al Howenstein**. ON Pres. **Mark’s** left were the day’s speaker, **Gary Wendell** of Christmas Promise and **Gary’s** son **Jason**. Lastly, President **Mark** introduced himself and of course shared the PWR and RI themes for this year - “Great People Doing Great Extraordinary Things” and “Celebrate Rotary!”

Due to the guest speaker’s appointment with a surgeon’s scalpel, **Gary Wendell** was introduced by **Rich Fathy**. **Gary** stepped up to the microphone and told Rotarians about the Christmas Promise program. A tremendous outpouring of care and concern for the less fortunate children throughout the Sacramento community. Following **Gary’s** relatively brief talk, he and his son **Jason** auctioned off a couple of items with all the proceeds going directly to assist the kids!

**Centennial Project Nearing Completion and Dedication:** **Gary Hardesty** announced that the club is extremely close to completing the

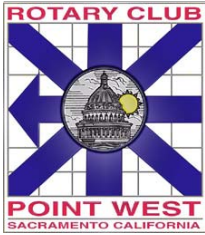
### Calendar of Events

- Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>** **NO MEETING**  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!**
- Dec. 31st** **NO MEETING**  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**
- Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>** **Centennial Project**  
**Dedication Encina 10:30AM**
- Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>** **RI President Glenn Estess**  
**at the Hyatt!!!**
- Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>** Heifer Int’l. Foundation – Speaker  
Ed Goldkuhl – Greeter  
Karl Forste – Greeter  
Jamie Williams – Tickets  
Don Delach – Cashier  
Kerry Gordon – Invocator

Centennial Encina H.S. Snack Shack. The project will be dedicated on January 3 at 10:30 a. m. Everyone is encouraged to attend the dedication as **Glenn Estess**, the RI President, will attend the ribbon cutting. Thanks to efforts by a number of people there will be lots of media. [So, a really big PWR turnout is needed!](#) Mark your calendar and plan to attend this great event!

**Anniversary Party:** **Bob Porter** reminded everyone of the PWR 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration on January 29 at Del Paso Country Club. The price is \$150 a couple. **Bob Tilly** is handling sign ups...bring your check to the next meeting and chose your seat! If you want a tux at a discount from the Tuxedo Den for the affair, call **Bud Phillips**. If you have any questions call **Todd Murray** or **Bob Porter**.

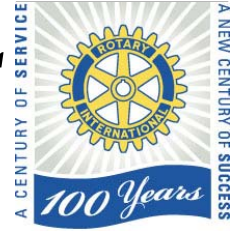
**Salvation Army Bell Ringing:** **Head Elf Scott Graham** announced the annual PWI Salvation Army bell ringing on December 17. **Scott** has a lot of members signed up to ring but still needs a few good members with pour hearing, nimble wrists and a cheery demeanor to step up and help



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## Board of Directors Meetings

Held at 7:00am on the first Tuesday of each month at Wickland Oil Co. 3610 American River Dr., 140 Sacramento, CA 95864



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL MISSION

To support its member clubs in fulfilling the Objectives of Rotary by:

- Fostering unity among member clubs;
- Strengthening and expanding Rotary around the world;
- Communicating worldwide the work of Rotary; and
- Providing a system of international administration.

## The Objectives of Rotary

- 1<sup>st</sup>. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life.
- 4<sup>th</sup>. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

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put the ho, ho, ho in the holiday spirit!

**ROSES:** President **Mark** announced the PWR board of directors voted to donate \$500 to the Rotary International Rose Parade float. So, don't forget to watch the parade and look for the Celebrate Rotary float. Cal fans are encouraged to watch the parade but are free to change the channel rather than watch the actual Rose Bowl game.

**Special Recognition:** **Tom Slagle** and **Jerry Reguera** were recognized and asked to stand and explain where their pins and badges were. Despite stammering by **Slagle** and a deer in headlights look by **Reguera**, President **Mark** displaying a benevolent holiday spirit spared them fines for their transgressions. However, the good president did remind everyone that pins and badges are required at meetings and he will be back to his old merciless self in enforcing the rule in the New Year.

**RI Presidential Visit:** There are still tickets available for the January 3<sup>rd</sup> dinner with visiting RI President **Glenn Estess**. The dinner will be at the Hyatt and will be \$45—sign up with PWR COO **George Daniels**. If you have signed up you need to get your money in! Send your check to Treasury Secretary **Gary Disher**.

**Tour of Businesses:** **Dick Oliver** and **Kirk Smith** talked about what a success the tour of businesses have been for students of Encina High School. Special thanks were given to **LaSalle Thompson** for arranging a tour of Arco Arena. **Al** commented how well behaved and attentive the kids were during the tour, especially those who rode to and from the event in his squad car.

**Benevolent Giving Committee:** In keeping with the demonstration of the giving spirit two presentations were made by the BGC to worthwhile organizations. First up was **Tim Armstrong** who presented a check for \$2,450

to **Lisa Kulp** of the group Women's Empowerment, a group that works with homeless women to get them through an educational program and into productive and fulfilling lives.

The next group recognized was the Mercy Perinatal Recovery Network. **Dee Hartzog** received an \$1,100 check from **Judee Daniels** to help her program continue fulfilling its mission of helping drug dependant women become drug free and prior to pregnancy.

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## Membership "Comings" & "Goings"

*In the "Comings" category is the following individual who was presented at the December board meeting for consideration as a prospective new member. Please make him welcome.*

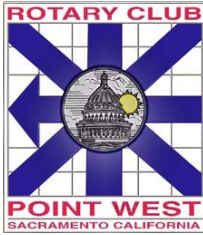
### Dave Black

Business: Black and Company  
Classification: Accounting – CSI  
Sponsor: Carl Naake & Gary Pevey

Please remember that membership is the lifeblood of any organization. Share the Rotary experience. If you know of anyone interested in Rotary or someone who would benefit from the Objectives of membership in Rotary *please* contact **Dave Abbott** (874-8690) or **Gary Woods** (567-2625) or visit the PWR website for more information on requirements for membership as well as requirements for sponsoring a prospective member.

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**REMINDER:** No Meeting this Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup> or the following Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. The next opportunity for PWR fellowship is Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30am for the Encina Dedication and that evening at the Hyatt for dinner with the RI President Glenn Estess.



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## MONDAY

**11:30 - South Sacramento**  
Casa De Los Ninos Rest  
**Noon – Oroville**  
Depot Restaurant  
**Noon - Citrus Heights**  
CH Comm Center  
**Noon - Foothill Highlands**  
Lionsgate Hotel-McClelland Park  
**Noon - Walnut Grove**  
Wimpy's Restaurant  
**6:45 pm - Fair Oaks**  
F.O. Comm. Clubhouse

## TUESDAY

**7:00am - Mather/Perkins**  
Mills Station Community Hall  
**7:00am – Oroville-Sunrise**  
Depot Restaurant  
**7:00am – Sacto Breakfast**  
Ganul's J Street Cafe  
**7:00am – Sutter Buttes**  
Bonanza Conv Center  
**Noon - Arden Arcade**  
Chateau Restaurant  
Town & Country Village  
**Noon - Rancho Cordova**  
Elks Lodge  
**Noon - Roseville**  
Sierra View CC  
**6:30 pm - Carmichael**  
Café Capri Restaurant

## WEDNESDAY

**7:15 am - Natomas**  
Uptown Café  
**7:15 am - Laguna/EGrove**  
Valley Hi Country Club  
**7:15 am - El Dorado Hills**  
EDH CommSvcPavillion  
**Noon - Rocklin / Loomis**  
Sunset Whitney CC  
**Noon - East Sacramento**  
Del Paso Country Club  
**Noon - Elk Grove**  
Vince's Restaurant  
**Noon - North Sacramento**  
Double Tree Hotel  
**5:30 pm - Midtown Sacto**  
Harlow's Restaurant

## THURSDAY

**7:00am - Roseville Sunrise**  
Carrow's Restaurant  
**12:15 pm – Sacramento**  
Call Peggy 443-1433  
**7:00 pm - Folsom**  
Lew Howard Park

## FRIDAY

**7:00am - Orangevale**  
La Placita Restaurant  
**12:15 pm - Granite Bay**  
Piatti's  
**12:15 pm - West Sacto**  
Club Pheasant

**Vacations = Bellringers:** Jane Gallagher and Judee Daniels – both back from the tropics rang the bell. Jane's trip was paid for by her employer and apparently so were all the gifts she presented to President Mark. It did appear Jane had a great time.

Judee (along with her husband George – our very own COO) took a Caribbean vacation and visited some Rotarians while sipping on Cuba Libre's in the warmer climes.

**More Giving:** President Mark continued to demonstrate the benevolence of the holiday giving spirit by presenting a token of PWR's appreciation to the staff of the Sacramento Inn who work with the Club week in and week out to make sure the tables are set, food is ready and President Mark looks good. Gifts were presented to Juanita Sampson, Doug Byrne, Wayne Walls and Tony Zuniga. Be sure to thank each of them the next time you see them.

Additionally, President Mark singled out Club COO George Daniels for his outstanding efforts to make Mark appear successful and well organized. Keep up the good work George!

**The Final Tally:** IPP Drew Houghton worked the ten key all throughout breakfast tallying the checks, coins and coupons turned in by the members for the benefit of Christmas Promise. The final tally – which included a very generous donation by the Sacramento Inn of a check equal to the cost of the day's breakfast – was over **\$12,500!** Another fine example of "**Great People Doing Extraordinary Things!**"

**Raffle:** Winner this week was – Needy children! This week's raffle proceeds went toward the PWR Christmas Promise donation.

## ROTARY on KVIE

KVIE will air the documentary "**The Last Child: The Global Race to End Polio**" during December. If you have not yet seen this show it is a great chance to learn more about the amazing work done by Rotarians all over the world for the benefit of all people to end this devastating childhood disease. Learn how PWR members' contributions have been applied through the Polio Eradication Campaign.

### The program will air:

Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00PM

Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3:00PM

## Christmas Promise

Anyone still wishing to help the good people at Christmas Promise can contact them directly at 383-6527. Sign up to be a "Santa" or one of Santa's helpers. It will be an experience you will always treasure!