

**The PLEASANTREE**  
**FEBRUARY 29, 2024**



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**FEBRUARY 29**

**OFFSITE**

**Social Gathering 12:15**

**Meeting Starts: 12:30**

**CAMPBELL THEATRE**  
**IMPROV!** *Catered by Sunshine*  
*Bistro*

## **LAST WEEK'S MEETING**

Prez Michael presided over a full house at our meeting.

Comedian Johnny Steele  
entertained us with his humorous



stories. Johnny began performing comedy in 1984 after quitting graduate school in a move his parents named: Operation \$40K Down The Drain. But Johnny quickly got the hang of the craft and was soon performing – and drinking for free! – at the nation’s top clubs.



## CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS





The Domestic Violence Legal Clinic at DVC has begun their second semester with 10 Students. One student, who has been in a abusive relationship for 30 years, said she could only attend because of the Scholarship offered by Rotary's donations.



Girl Scout Cookies are still available for \$6 per box. Just email Joe Thibedeau at [Joetdvm@comcast.net](mailto:Joetdvm@comcast.net)

NEWS > EDUCATION > News

Woodshop has been disappearing from California schools for decades. Here's why one Bay Area teacher is bringing it back.

A grassroots campaign revitalized the middle school's once-popular woodworking elective



Our club recently partnered with the Lamorninda Sunrise Club to provide a SawStop Table Saw that uses sensors to prevent accidental collisions with students' fingers at Valley View Middle School Woodshop [CLICK HERE TO READ THE ARTICLE](#)



**DICK MARVIN** has returned to the hospital as his recovery from kidney issues continues

**SAYID IHSAN** His mother has passed away in Afghanistan. Our thoughts and prayers are with him as we signed and gave him a condolence card.

[Click here to read the East Bay Times article](#)  
**CLUB LOGO CLOTHING**  
Orders being taken now by Mike Maxwell for new PHRC logo clothing  
[CLICK THIS LINK TO SEE ALL STYLES](#)

# Welcome to our Newest Prospective Member **Margaret Caddel.**



## Happy Dollars & Times



### **Wreck of the Barque Illie.**

ON Thursday morning Captain Brown, of the ill-fated barque Illie, arrived in Sydney from Brisbane by the A. S. N. Company's steamship Egmont, and from him we have details of the circumstances attending the loss of the vessel, and the saving of the crew. The Illie sailed from Newcastle on the 15th February, with a cargo of 1100 tons coal for Manila, and all went well until March 4, when she struck on a sunken reef on the north-west coast of Guadalcanar, one of the Solomon Group. After bumping for about 20 minutes she floated off into deep water, and then commenced to leak badly. The pumps were got to work, but it was of no avail, and as the ship appeared to be in a sinking condition she was beached. She was afterwards abandoned, as the natives were apparently hostile. Captain Brown, his wife and family, and the crew of the barque, were brought from Ugi to Brisbane in H.M.S. Lark. The Illie was uninsured, but the cargo was covered for £600 in the China Traders' Insurance Company's office.

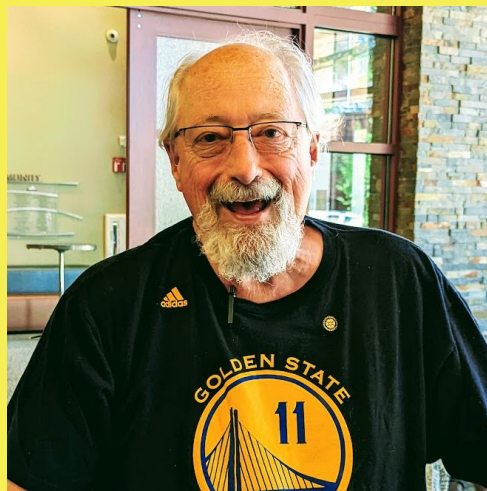


**STEVE LACK** announced the birth of his 5th Grandchild- **Lucy**. She is named after her Great Great Grandmother who in 1886 was stranded with her family on Fiji - which was inhabited by cannibals at the time."1886 newspaper article above)

The club generously donated \$161 to her college fund that Steve matched



**JOE & JANE THIBEDEAU**  
Donated \$50 to the PHR Foundation in appreciation to the club for your strong support of their Granddaughter Scarlett and her Girl Scout Cookie selling campaign.



**AMY WASSER**  
Donated \$100 HD for a wonderful trip she and her family took Fiji



**ALAN THOMPSON**  
Donated \$200 to his Paul Harris Fellowship just because - he is happy.

***ONLY 3 WEEKS UNTIL***



## **NIGHT OF IRISH MERRIMENT**

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- *DONATE YOUR PRIZES AND WINE BOTTLES*

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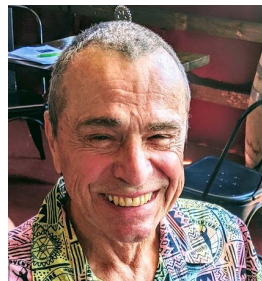
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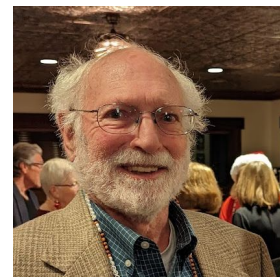
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KIM GROSSBERG



**HAROLD HELM**

A year's worth of Dog or Cat Food  
courtesy of Concord Feed courtesy of  
Tony & PDG Tina Akins

**CARA LEYVA** has donated the \$100  
free groceries from her Grocery Outlet  
store per month for 1 year (Value  
\$1200)





**Rotary**  
Club of Pleasant Hill



PRESENTS

# ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S FUNDRAISER

RAFFLE  
TICKETS:  
**\$50**

**JOIN US FOR OUR SPECTACULAR  
WINE & SPIRITS SUPER RAFFLE!**



We will have an awesome  
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RAFFLE  
TICKETS:  
**\$50**

**BACK FORTY TEXAS BBQ | MARCH 16, 2024 | 5PM  
100 COGGINS DR. PLEASANT HILL, CA**

**\*Do not have to be present to win**



Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill



# St. Patrick's Day 2024

*Presented by the Jim & Margie Alkire Family*

**Saturday, March 16, 2024 5:00 pm**



*Back Forty Texas Barbecue, Pleasant Hill*



**Proceeds go directly to Community Scholarships and Organizations that help further our mission of serving our local, and global communities ~ Previous recipients include:**

*Monument Crisis Center ~ LN-4 Prosthetic Hand Project ~ College Park High School ~ Choice in Aging ~ High School Scholarships  
Rotary Camp Royal ~ Boy Scout Troop 401 ~ American Cancer Society ~ Meals on Wheels ~ White Pony Express ~ Youth Homes  
Honduras WASH ~ \$25,000 Pleasant Hill Rec & Park Building Fund ~ \$10,000 YMCA Building Fund ~ Pleasant Hill Gazebo*

**Tickets: \$75.00 per person**

**Table of 10: \$750.00**

**Includes: Music, Dinner, Live & Silent Auction, Door Prize Raffle & MORE!**

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Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill



  
**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
SHAMROCK  
ON**

To purchase tickets or sponsor, contact us at: [RotaryClubPH@yahoo.com](mailto:RotaryClubPH@yahoo.com)

**Cash, Check, VISA, or Venmo!**

*(Please include the names of your guests, and your sponsorship level, in your Comment area)*

Proceeds are directed through the **Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill Foundation**

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# ***GAME ON!***

**JOIN TEAM ROTARY  
SACRAMENTO - APRIL 26 - 28**

**DISTRICT CONFERENCE  
2024**

NEVER BEEN TO A  
DISTRICT CONFERENCE?

**THIS IS ONE  
NOT TO MISS!**



## **26 APRIL**

- Friday night AG/Club hosted hospitality and tailgate party - food, frivolity, and fun!

## **27 APRIL**

- Breakfast Keynote: Forbes "30 under 30" CEO, Bailey Farren
- Break-Out Sessions, House of Friendship
- Lunch Keynote: Sports legend Jim "Jumbo" Eakins
- Brews-by-Bike (\$), pickleball for polio (\$), hands-on project
- Dinner Keynote: Threshold Rising Founder, John Petersen, on his 13-day death-defying rowing trip from Chile to Antarctica

## **28 APRIL**

- Breakfast Keynote: Rotary International Representative Larry Lunsford, Rotary Foundation Trustee, 2021 - 2025

**THE LINE-UP**



# CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

**Rotary International President** Gordon R. McInally

**District 5160 Governor** Claire Roberts

**District 5160 DV8 Assistant Governor** Cathy Durfee

**Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill Board of Directors 2023-24**

**President** Michael Moore **President-Elect** Diane McRice

**Past President:** Angela Kalinowski

**President Elect Nominee** Jocelyn Reite

**Club Treasurer:** Kim Grossberg

**PHR Foundation Chair** Ken Jacobsen **TRF Chair:** Jim Bonato

**Secretary -** Richard Means

**SGT at Arms:** Lou Rossi

**Membership Co-Chairs -** Allen Vinson & Mike Maxwell

**International Service:** Susan Wood

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