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## Lafayette Rotary helps New Day for Children

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From left: Mary Lou Till, Diane De Lany, Sharon Wood, Matt Pease, Nancy Hopps and Peg Jackson. Photo provided

The Rotary Club of Lafayette announced it has donated over \$114,300 to New Day for Children ([www.newdayforchildren.com/](http://www.newdayforchildren.com/)) as a result of fundraising by the club throughout the fiscal year. "We are delighted to have partnered with New Day for Children and enable this important organization to assist young girls in escaping from sexual slavery," said Matt Pease, president of The Rotary Club of Lafayette. The club raised money through a golf tournament that was held in October and its Swing to Freedom Gala that was held on March 23 at the Oakwood Athletic Club.

New Day for Children is a faith based nonprofit that helps young girls escape from sexual slavery. They raise funds to provide educational, emotional, and physical support for girls in Northern California and from throughout the United States. "The Rotary Club of Lafayette, and the Lamorinda Community (have) been very generous and supportive of making a difference in the lives of these girls who have been abused and we are

very grateful for this generous support," said Sharon Wood, director of New Day for Children. The gala itself raised over \$100,00 for New Day and was made possible by the support of not only the Rotary Club of Lafayette, but generous support from Oakwood Athletic Club, Republic Services Corporation, AB Construction, Davidon Homes, and J. Rockcliff Relators.

"We had great support from individuals, families and companies in the Lamorinda area and we are delighted with their support," said Nancy Hobbs and Diane DeLany, co-chairs of the Rotary Gala Committee.

The Rotary Club of Lafayette is part of Rotary International and is made up of community leaders who meet weekly, each Thursday, at 12:15 p.m. at Oakwood Athletic Club at 4000 Mt. Diablo Blvd. in Lafayette and guests are welcome to join the club for lunch. Questions about The Rotary Club of Lafayette can be addressed to [info@rotarylafayette.org](mailto:info@rotarylafayette.org).

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