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Bob was a certified public accountant with the accounting firm, Pomares & Co., LLP, in Sacramento, CA, starting in 1973 and becoming a partner in 1979. He retired in 2018 but still does a few tax returns for long time clients. Seeing a need, he helped establish a national industry specialization organization called the AutoCPA

Group. This group is comprised of major accounting firms in the country which advocate for major tax and accounting policy in the automotive industry. He was their chairman in 1995-96. For the past eight years he has been active in his church serving as their treasurer.

Joining the Rotary Club of East Sacramento in May 1985, Bob has served as a director of the club on numerous occasions. He served as their president in 1996-97 and has been awarded their Presidents Award, Rotarian of Year, "Chick Alexander Memorial Award" and a Lifetime Achievement Award for outstanding contributions to Rotary. He is a Major Donor+3 to the Rotary International Foundation, a member of the Paul Harris Society, and the Bequest Society. He has also received District Service Award twice and Citation for Meritorious Service from The Rotary Foundation.

In District 5180, he has served as District Treasurer, Assistant Governor, has been on the Group Study Exchange Committee, being their chairperson from 2007 through 2010 and served on many other District Committees. He chaired the 2008-09 District Training Assembly and led the District's Group Study Exchange team to Sweden in 2007. He served as District 5180's District Governor in 2012-13 and served as the chairperson of both the District's Advisory Committee and Foundation Committee from 2014 to 2017. He along with Past President Brian Gladden of the Rotary Club of Roseville, spearheaded a Global Grant Project to bring education training to students in the area of human trafficking in District 5180 along with an outreach campaign to make the general population of the Greater Sacramento area aware of the problem in their communities. This project with the help of a Global Grant has raised close to \$400,000 to date and educated over 50,000 students. With PDG Steve Lemmon, Bob has developed a seminar "Keeping Your Club Out of Trouble" which has caused ten clubs in the District to come for help in getting their non profit status back from various government agencies because of tax filing irregularities.

Since completing his year as District Governor, Bob has worked in many areas in Rotary International's Zones 26 and 27. In 2015 he was the District's Representative to nominate a new director to Rotary International and in 2019 he represented the District at the Council on Legislation. He is currently serving in his eighth year as the Zone's Chief Financial Officer, chaired the District Governor's Training Session in both 2013 and 2014, was the chairperson of the Governor Nominee Advanced Training Seminar in the fall of 2015, and in 2016, 2017 and 2018 was the Vice Chairman for the Zone Educational Training Team as well as chairperson for the Governor Elect Training Seminar. This coming year will be his sixth year as a facilitator at Far West Pets.