



Rotary Club Of Walnut Creek
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Upcoming Events

Sat. Nov. 18th Rotary Club of Pittsburg 75th anniversary black-tie dinner at Zandonella's Italian Restaurant, Delta View Golf Course, Pittsburg. Tix \$30. For information call 432-7801.

Sunday, December 10th, our annual Holiday Party. Time and location TBA.

January 21st and 22nd, 2001 Reno train trip—fun and fellowship. See Randy Walker to sign up. Cost is \$195 for private room, \$185 for a double room.

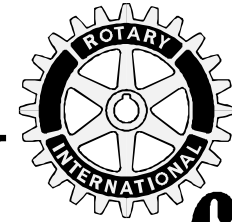
February 3, 2001 Annual Crab Feed Fundraiser. This year supporting the Club's Community Foundation and the DARE program. Buy/sell 4 tickets and sign up to help. Solicit silent auction and raffle items, and turn them in to Linda Morris.

Upcoming Meeting Programs

This Wed. November 15th Club Board Meeting, 5:30pm, at Worden Travel

November 21 2001 Regional Transportation Plan, Lawrence Dahms of MTC

November 28 Matching Grants, with Neil Hoffman



The Walnut Leaf

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This Week's Worker Bees

Presiding Barry Slavin
 Team Captain Al Sevilla
 Speaker Intro.....
 Thought/Pledge..... Tom Tarkoff
 Visitors Intro..... Lee Schneider
 Bulletin Editor..... John McClintic
 Next Bulletin Editor.... John McClintic

Roving Microphone.....
 Set-Up/Take-Down..
 Song Leader..... Larry Palmieri
 Ticket Sales.....
 Birthdays.....
 Anniversaries.....

THIS PROGRAM

**Today: Rotary International Foundation
 Adrian Mendes Award Presented**

**Next Week: Lawrence Dahms of MTC, 2001
 Regional Transportation Plan**

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 ROTARY
 INTERNATIONAL
 DISTRICT 5160**

Chartered April 7, 1937

Frank Devlyn
 International President

*Create Awareness,
 Take Action*

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Ursula Behiel

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 2000-2002

Bill Larmer
Al Sevilla

Valerie Ridgers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Last Week: Thanks to Ken Anderson for inviting Linda Best, of the non-profit Contra Costa Economic Partnership, to describe **the Business Incubator program**. CCEP was formed as a non-profit organization as the result of a mid-1990's study of the local County economy. The business incubator program provides start-up businesses in targeted industries with access to low-cost space, shared office equipment and support staff, and access to expert legal and accounting and business management advice in a professional environment. The goal is to assist these businesses from the transition from the home/garage level to a professional commercial setting. The first targeted industry was software and telecommunications, now housed in a facility purchased in the Buchanan technology park with a loan guaranteed by the City of Concord. They also have started another similar facility in San Ramon. Next year a new incubator will be started in the Richmond area focusing on biotechnology. In its first three years, the program has launched 6 "graduating" businesses who have moved out on their own. The program also has created 300 jobs. The success rate for businesses in incubator programs is 80% after five years, compared with only 20% for those without this type of support.

Birthdays

Congratulations to Rotarians celebrating birthdays in November: **Bob Ayres, Ursula Behiel, Saul Dangott, Carl Manna, Ken Wirfel.**

Recognitions

Thanks to Jack Fischer for his steady hand at the tiller while Prez Barry was away.

John McClintic took advantage of Jack's "No-Barry discounted recognition rate of \$25 to report his wife's purchase of a new BMW 330Ci convertible (steel blue). John also contributed to the Community Foundation in the hope that someday he might get to drive the car.

Wolf Heinritz noted that **Roger Dolan** was practicing for his next year as Club President by sitting at a table with only two other people.

Think Membership; it's the © of Rotary

Invite a Friend or Business Contact to Join Us for Lunch. We have many excellent programs ahead in October and November. Take this opportunity to invite a friend or business contact to enjoy a Rotary meeting "on us." Let them learn about the fellowship and service opportunities available in the wonderful world of Rotary.



Prez Barry sets the example by inviting interesting and diverse prospects to give Rotary a try.

Proposed New Members

Dennis Bell, Law Enforcement Management; Tom Jones, Senior Health Care Services; and Dennis R. Hughes, Human Resources/Training have been proposed for membership. Please provide any comments to Milt Smith, the Club Secretary (internal matters).

Nominating Committee Report

The Club nominating committee (consisting of the past five Club presidents) announces the following nominees for Club officers and directors:

President 2002-2003: Bruce Cockerham
[President 2001-2002: Roger Dolan]

Secretary (external matters): Sal Flavetta

Secretary (internal matters): Milt Smith

Treasurer: Rod Uffindell

Attendance Secretary: Quent Alexander

Directors 2001-2003: Georgia Cockerham,

Mike Frost, Donna Montana

[continuing directors 2000-2002:

Jack Fischer, Al Sevilla, Valerie Ridgers]

Announcements:

Sugar Loaf Open Space Amphitheatre Community Service Project Workday This Saturday, November 18th. We will be working from around 8:30 am to 1:00pm installing hand railings and other site improvements. See Jack Fischer or Allen Wesdorf if you can help.

Our annual Club Holiday Party will be Sunday, December 10th, from 11:30am to 2pm at Palmer School.

Our Club and Community Foundation Annual Crab Feed Fundraiser, February 3rd.

This year's major beneficiaries include the DARE program, the Club's Community Foundation. **Buy your tickets now;** \$40 each includes all you can eat crab, pasta, salad, bread, dessert; no-host bar. To ensure the event is well-attended, each Club member is asked to commit to purchase/sell four tickets. **Table Sponsorships** are available for \$50; see Roger Dolan. Squares for the **Reverse Raffle Drawing** will go on sale soon; see Ken Wirfel. Solicit and turn in donated items for the silent auction and raffle; see event co-chairs Russ Anderson and Dick Mortensen.

Get Your Rotary Announcements in the Bulletin: Our regular publishing deadline is Sunday night. You can phone your bulletin announcements to **John McClintic** by 9:00pm on Sunday to be sure to be included. Call John at 930-7352 and leave your message on the answering machine, or fax to 925-945-8932, or email to johnm@rotarywc.org.

Check Out Our Website:
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If you haven't done so, please check out our Club's very own website at www.rotarywc.org. Find information about upcoming meetings and events, Club projects, history, and members. Note also that you can email most club members through the website using their nickname and last name's first initial (e.g. Hari Boukis is harib@rotarywc.org).