Upcoming Events

Oct 21-22, District 5160 “Cave Man and Rain Man” conference, at the Concord Hilton Hotel

Who am I? Our District Governor, Brian Thiessen.

Upcoming Meeting Programs

Aug 2  Steven Popell Collaborative Practice in Divorce
Aug 9  Prof. Matthew Francis, Nanotechnology
Aug 16 Paul Fisher, Trip to Cartagena, Columbia - Micro Bank
Aug 23 Prof. Christine Yeh, Understanding causes for failure in New York City schools
Aug 30 Mark Curtis, Channel 2, news anchor

For the latest “scoop” on upcoming meeting programs, visit our website and click on the link on the home page:
www.rotarywc.org
For Members on the mid-year billing cycle, Rotary dues packets have been either handed to you directly or sent via US Mail. Please take a moment and either bring to the next meeting or pop in the mail, your checks for the annual dues, and foundation donations.

**Other Important Reminders**

- **District 5160 Conference “Cave Man and Rain Man”**
  - Oct 21-22, Concord

Get ready for the District 5160 “Cave Man and Rain Man” conference, to be held the weekend of October 21 and 22 at the Concord Hilton Hotel. The early registration date has been extended through the end of July. The cost to register before August is $75 but for new Rotarians (those with less than 6 months in Rotary) there is a reduced fee of $60! Cost of the meal package for the conference is $100 per person...and includes Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, Saturday lunch, and Saturday dinner.

So who should go? Well, really all Rotarians should but we would especially like to see:

- All new Rotarians in our club. Remember attending a District Conference is one of the red to blue badge requirements and this one is close to home...just over in Concord at the Hilton hotel!
- All members of the board should be going.
- All team leaders. Lead your team by example.

Remember attending a conference: counts as two meetings for make up purposes, satisfies a requirement on the road from red badge to blue, is close and convenient this year, and is just plain fun so we really encourage all new members to sign up!

Sign up with Clint Collier so we know who is going and he will give you an application form to fill out and send in. He can also provide further details on the event if you have questions.

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**Rotary Internet Sites**


Be sure to check out **DG Brian’s** fabulous update to the District 5160 site, www.rotary5160.org. It includes lots of new features, including “Stars of Our District” which recognize special service by Rotarians throughout the District and highlight some of the great international and local projects that those Rotarians support through their tireless volunteer efforts. It is great to have our District website up and running from the very beginning of the Rotary 2005-2006 year. This is a major effort, and Brian and his chief web volunteers Aaron Goble and Brian and his chief web volunteers Aaron Goble and Andy Main and are to be commended.

Check it out.

**Kohoku Exchange Student Visits Us In August**

Sign up with **Andy Halperin** to host the visiting exchange student from the Rotary Club of Tokyo (Kohoku) Japan during August.

**I-House Agricultural Tour, Saturday October 9th**

Mark your calendars, and see Phil Eyring to participate as a dinner host for this year’s agricultural tour, sponsored by our club, dating back to the days of July. The cost to register before August is $75 but for new Rotarians (those with less than 6 months in Rotary) there is a reduced fee of $60! Cost of the meal package for the conference is $100 per person...and includes Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, Saturday lunch, and Saturday dinner.

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**Set Your E-Mail Settings to Allow Email from rotarywc.org**

We have noticed that many corporate email systems, and some private systems, have increased their restrictions on in-bound email messages. While this helps cut down on SPAM, it also can block “friendly” messages. Please tell your email administrator to allow email coming from our rotarywc.org domain, or at least from “wec@rotarywc.org”. Please note that the weclub@rotarywc.org address is a new “Club-wide” email address, and replaces the “allmembers” address which was taken over by evil spammers.

**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.