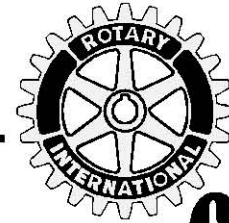


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The Walnut Leaf

ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK

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People In Charge this Week

PresidingPam Raumer
Director.....Lu Hughes
Team CaptainMike Kilzer
Meeting Setup.....Bruce Cockerham
Greeter.....Bruce Cockerham
Ticket Sales.....Lu Hughes

Thought/Pledge.....Phil Eyring
Song Leader.....Lu Hughes
Guest Intro & Mic.....Gordon Fischer
Birthdays.....
Anniversaries.....
Speaker Intro.....Kim Brandt
Meeting Take-Down.....Bruce C.

Today's Program:

Sheila Hurst -- China Wheel Chair Report

Notices:

Shhhhhh!!!!!!

Please speak softly.

**Today is Rotary Reno Train Trip
Hangover-Recovery Day**

Upcoming Meetings:

- 2008-01-15** Sheila Hurst -- China Wheel Chair Report
- 2008-01-22** Robert Miller -- National Fragile X
- 2008-01-29** David Schmit -- Indian Gaming Impact on California
- 2008-02-12** Neil Reeder -- Challenge Day Organization
- 2008-02-19** Terri A. Khonsari -- Raising a Superstar
- 2008-02-26** Bahrem Shahmardaan -- Five Systems of Medicine

For the latest "scoop" on upcoming meeting programs, visit our website and click on the link on the home page:
www.rotarywc.org

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Announcements:

Today's Song: "I've Been Workin' on the Railroad"

I've been working on the railroad; All the livelong day
I've been working on the railroad; Just to pass the time
away

Can't you hear the whistle blowing; Rise up so early in
the morn

Can't you hear the captain shouting; Dinah, blow your
horn

Dinah, won't you blow; Dinah, won't you blow;

Dinah, won't you blow your ho-o-orn

Dinah, won't you blow; Dinah, won't you blow;

Dinah, won't you blow your horn

Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah; Someone's in
the kitchen I kno-o-o-ow

Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah; Strummin' on
the old banjo!

Singin' fi, fie, fiddly-i-o; Fi, fie, fiddly-i-o-o-o-o;

Fi, fie, fiddly-i-o; Strummin' on the old banjo

We have lots to do at our meetings, so let's be seated by 12:25pm...

President Pam again asks that we allow sufficient
time to get to the meeting, check in, go through the
buffet line, and be seated so that we are ready to start
by 12:25pm. This also will allow us more time for
conversation and socializing before-hand, one of the
purposes of Rotary...

Your Club at work in the commu- nity...

On Christmas eve the Meals on Wheels team deliv-
ered a special holiday gift basket to all of the recipi-
ents on the route that we service each Monday. The
board funded this project through our foundation and
the baskets were designed by Kris Mendes the Inner-
wheel president. They were assembled by Jenna Men-
des, Danielle DiDonato, Elizabeth Barcia, and Ellen
Bobich, members of the local your Interact
group. Truly the family of Rotary at work in our com-

munity.

Birthdays

Many happy returns of the day to the following Rotari-
ans celebrating birthdays in January: **Zak Sahar,**
Sandy Gary, Oscar Wu, Tony Gorkani, Frank Suess,
Marty Larsen, and Bruce Cockerham.

Kohoku Exchange Student 2008

Sean Davidson, grandson of Jack Fischer, has been se-
lected to be our Club's exchange student with the Rotary
Club of Tokyo (Kohoku) Japan this summer.

Crab Feed Fundraiser Saturday, Feb 2, 2008

Our 10th annual crab feed is Saturday, February
2, 2008. Buy your tickets now from **Bob Ro-
mero**, \$40 per person with checks payable to
WCRCCF (Walnut Creek Rotary Club Com-
munity Foundation). Be sure to ask for a
"chicken sticker" for your ticket if you want
chicken instead of crab. **We need auction
items; Valerie Ridgers** is the contact for the
silent auction and **Mitch Ambro** is the contact
for the live auction. For corporate sponsor-
ships, contact **Milt Smith**. Contact **Layton
Hansen** laytonh@rotarywc.org or 925-686-
5148 for other information or questions.

Every member is asked to bring in 2 bottles of
premium wine for the wine barrel auction and
wine barrel raffle. See **Gordon Fischer** with
your donations (or bring a check for \$50 and
Gordon will shop for you).

The **Reverse Draw** board has spots available
for purchase. \$20 each. The final drawing
will be made at our meeting on January 29th.

Walnut Creek State of the City Ad- dress Tues Feb 5th, Boundary Oaks

The Walnut Creek Chamber is once again, hosting the
"State of the City Address" and has asked us to partici-
pate on Tuesday, February 5th. We are dark that day
due to the Crab Feed. If you attend this event, you will
be given a "make up" if you need one. The cost is \$35
for a sit down lunch at Boundary Oaks Country Club,
3800 Valley Vista Road in Walnut Creek. It starts at
11:30am and ends at approximately 2:00pm. **President
Pam** will be at the head table representing our Club
along with Sunrise and other service organizations such
as Kiwanis, Soroptimist and Lions Clubs. Let **Pam**
know if you would like to attend. If you do, she will
need to receive your check made out to the Walnut
Creek Chamber of Commerce for \$35 before Friday,
January 25th.

Membership Activity

Be sure to welcome our new members, **Lonnie Finkel**,
of the Finkel Law Group, classification "Law", **Sandy
Garry**, transferring back to our Club from the Pinnacle
Peak—Scottsdale Rotary Club in Phoenix, **Lauren M.
Kraus**, Coldwell Banker, classification "Real Estate",
Jane Dirito, Dirito Bros VW-Saab-Nissan, Classifica-
tion "Auto Retail--Retired", **Brenda Goodrich**, Good-
rich Ad Valorem Property Tax Services, Classification
"Property Tax Consulting", and **Dess Benedetto**, an
estate planning attorney with the Family Trust Law Cen-
ter.

Invite a Prospective Member to Join Us for Lunch

Here's how it works. You invite your prospect to a Club
lunch meeting. You pay the prospect's lunch tab for the
first visit. The prospect can visit two more times, and
the Club will pay the cost. If the prospect joins, the
Club also will reimburse you for the first lunch.

Upcoming Club Meetings/Events: Plan to attend these Club meetings and invite at guest!

January 22 Robert Miller -- National Fragile X Founda-

tion Fragile X is a family of genetic conditions, which
can impact individuals and families in various ways.
January 29 David Schmit -- Indian Gaming Impact on
California

February 12 Neil Reeder – Challenge Day Organiza-
tion

February 19 Terry A Khonsari – Raising a Superstar

Annual District Conference Thurs- day April 24 to Saturday April 26, 2008

On April 24-26, 2008, the annual District Conference
will be held at the Sacramento Radisson Hotel.

There's something for everyone: Rotary Conference,
Golf Event, Poker Tournament, a Rotary Club Hospi-
tality Party in the theme of the Prospectors (think
Gold Rush era, Paint Your Wagon). The pricing is
reasonable, the lodging is inexpensive. And a 25%
discount for registering before December 31,
2007. Go to www.rotary5160.org and get all the de-
tails. Important Note: Lodging is limited. Call now
for room reservations: Radisson Hotel Reservations
[500 Leisure Lane](http://500LeisureLane.com), Sacramento, CA 95815 Thursday,
April 24 through Saturday, April 26, 2008. Or check
rates and availability at www.radisson.com. Enter
"D5160" into the promotional code box for special
member rates: Single or double: \$93 Triple: \$103
Quad: \$113 Waterfront rooms are available for an
additional \$30 per room.

District Golf Tournament Thursday April 24, Noon

District 5160 also will hold a Golf Tournament the
first day of the District Conference, Thursday, April
24, at noon at Teal Bend Golf Club, in Sacramento.
\$100 registration includes 1 dinner ticket. Dinner
tickets alone are available at \$37.50. Get a registra-
tion form at www.rotary5160.org.

District Poker Championship Thursday April 24, 5pm

District 5160 also will hold a Texas Hold-em Poker
Tournament the first night of the District Conference,
Thursday, April 24, at 5pm. \$199 registration in-
cludes 2 dinner tickets, 2 - \$20 rebuys, and 1- \$40
Add-on. Additional Club players can register for
\$100 each, including 1 dinner ticket. Dinner tickets