

# The Walnut Leaf

*The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek*

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## Walnut Creek

**Club 465**

President

**Gary Stein**

President Elect

**Gordon Fischer**



## Today's Meeting

Gloria Duffy

Commonwealth Club of California

The Danger of Nuclear Weapons, Past and Present

## Nominations

President Gary Stein has the following nominations to present as required by our by-laws.

Our President Elect Nominee is **Marcia Greg**. Three Board members are leaving the Board because their term will be expiring at the end of June 2023.

**Prem Abraham**, has gladly agreed to remain on the Board of Directors for another 2 year term, and **Ken Anderson** and **Ivan Kerr** have been nominated to take the remaining 2 Board positions. After we publish this in *The Walnut Leaf* for 3 consecutive weeks the club will vote on these choices.

## Community Service Day.



Walnut Creek will be holding its annual Community Service Day in October (the 14<sup>th</sup>). Rotarian **Jessie Smyers** will be coordinating our participation in this event.

Want to help, be involved? [Contact Jessie](#).

## New Teams for 2023-2024 Announced!

See Page 3 to find out which team you have been assigned to!

## **Bocce Ball Challenge.**

### **PE Gordon Fischer**

Interested in a fun day playing Bocce Ball? This years challenge will be held on May 13th in Martinez. This is a fun event for everyone whether you know how to play Bocce Ball or not. You can learn the rules in a few minutes for those not familiar with the game. We can have up to 4 teams with a minimum of 4 players per team. There is no cost to participants. Food and drink are included. Our club has won this event twice in the past and its time to bring the trophy back to Walnut Creek!

Check your calendars and [let me know via email](#) who is interested in playing and I'll start creating the teams. Our due date to respond to reserve space was April 15th so don't wait to respond!

## **Join the Fun...Happy Hour**

Every other Thursday at 5:00 PM members of the club, friends and guests gather at the Bay Club (2805 Jones Road Walnut Creek) to celebrate the almost conclusion of yet another fortnight of Rotary. Drinks, nibbles and conversation all flow. There is free parking in the garage adjacent to the entrance (until the valet parking is back)!

Contact [Darin Kelly](#) for details and to see if this is a meeting week.

## **Coming meetings & events...**

- May 2: Jim Carriere  
ShelterBox USA Ambassador
- May 9: Dr. Krushangi Patel  
Modern Cancer Care
- May 13: District Bocce tourney

May 16: Jim Pope CA ISO

May 23: Ernesto Avila, President  
CCC Water District

May 27-31 RI Convention,  
Melbourne, Australia

May 30: Erna Grasz,  
CEO Asante Africa Foundation

June 13: Cindy Silva State of the City

June 27: Demotion party @ 5:30pm

June 27: Lisa Mistry Ghatala  
Ayurvedic Medicine Benefits

July 4: Holiday: Dark!

July 8: Rotary Academy Awards.  
2023-24 Installation Gala

## **Rotary Strikes again!**

Trinity Center is dedicating the new van that the following Rotary Clubs helped them secure:

- Diablo View Rotary
- Alamo Rotary
- Martinez Rotary
- Rossmoor Rotary
- Pleasant Hill Rotary
- San Roman Rotary
- Walnut Creek Rotary
- Walnut Creek Sunrise Rotary

Yes, our club participated in this venture with funding of \$5,000 to help with the purchase. If you have time - come by and celebrate with them. **Marcia Gerg** will be there as part of the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in a triple role ( Representing our Club, Ambassador with WC Chamber of Commerce; and of course representing my employer - Summit Bank). Please RSVP by April 28th to [pamm@trinitycenterwc.org](mailto:pamm@trinitycenterwc.org).

# 2023-2024 Team Assignments

## TEAM 1 Jul/Jan

Milt Smith (Leader)  
Trudy Triner  
Clint Collier  
Lance Mendes  
Peter Kohn  
Jack Fischer  
Mary Azevedo  
Al Sevilla  
Shalini Lugini  
Frank Suess

## TEAM 2 Aug/Feb

Tom Rockwell (Leader)  
Trudy Cumming  
Layton Hansen  
John McClintic  
John Gardner  
Drew Marshall  
Gary Stein  
Betsy Yuan  
Adrian Mendes  
Andy Halperin

## TEAM 3 Sep/Mar

Michele McKay (Leader)  
Don Willoughby  
Rose Camarena  
Jessie Smyers  
Russ Anderson  
Rich Fleming  
Bryan Yeh  
Oscar Wu  
Christy Devoe

## TEAM 4 Oct/Apr

Cathy Durfee (Leader)  
Larry Kolka  
Jerry Benoit  
Ken Anderson  
Fletcher Tyler  
Theresa Buhlman  
Doug Switzer  
Bob Linscheid  
Matt Guichard

## TEAM 5 Nov/May

Marty Larsen (Leader)  
Jason Callen  
Ted Ford  
Prem Abraham  
Carolina Hemphill  
Dess Benedetto  
Quent Alexander  
April Sun  
Hari Boukis

## TEAM 6 Dec/Jan

Tony Pasol (Leader)  
Marcia Gerg  
Scott Wilson  
Darren Kelly  
Rod Uffindell  
Ivan Kerr  
Jean Renette  
Sabine Webb  
Walt Youngman



Join Us!  
Ribbon Cutting  
& Dedication Ceremony  
for our  
**NEW VAN!**  
May 1<sup>st</sup> @ 4PM  
1888 Trinity Avenue  
Walnut Creek

**Thank You Funding Sponsors!**  
**Rotary**

**TRINITY CENTER** **TRINITY CENTER**

Robert and Theresa Burke  
Lafayette Orinda Presbyterian Church  
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Diablo View Rotary  
Alamo Rotary Club  
Martinez Rotary Club  
Rossmore Rotary Club

Pleasant Hill Rotary Club  
San Ramon Rotary Club  
Walnut Creek Rotary Club  
Walnut Creek Sunrise Rotary Club

Kindly RSVP by April 28<sup>th</sup> to [pamm@trinitycenterwc.org](mailto:pamm@trinitycenterwc.org)

## Other Club Officers

Immediate Past President

**Peter Kohn**

Secretary

**Marcia Gerg**

Attendance Secretary

**Trudy Cumming**

Treasurer

**John McClintic**

Sergeant at Arms

**Trudy Cumming**

Bulletin Editor

**Clint Collier**

Membership

**Cathy Durfee**

2021-2023 Directors

**Prem Abraham**

**Darren Kelly**

**Trudy Trinner**

2022-2024 Directors

**Jason Callan**

**Jerry Benoit**

**Lance Mendes**

## District Officers

Asst. Governor DV8

**Dess Benedetto**

DEI Chairman

**Milt Smith**

Sergeant at Arms

**Layton Hansen**

## Live Meetings

Members now have the choice of joining our meetings on zoom or attending the live meeting at Heather Farm Lake-side Room, 301 N San Carlos Drive. If you choose to attend the live meeting you can pre-order your lunch (catered by Sunrise Bistro).

Choices for lunch are shown on the next page

If you want to order a lunch, please email your order to **John McClintic** at [jmccclintic@bamlaw.com](mailto:jmccclintic@bamlaw.com) or leave voicemail at 925.256.8200.

Be sure to specify your desired "Selections" from the menu if you are ordering the Sandwich Box or Salad Box. Bottled water is included.

**Orders must be received no later than noon, Friday preceding the meeting.**

Your meal is included in the \$23 live meeting charge for diners. "No-shows" will be charged the full \$23.

The meeting charge for non-diners attending live is \$10.



Want to join us by Zoom? The Zoom session starts at 12:20pm so members can gather and chat before the meeting officially opens at 12:30pm.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84410765063?pwd=dVBnK1hPV3NhcStWaitqUTU0YXkEQT09>

Meeting ID: 844 1076 5063 Passcode: Rotary

Local dial-up audio numbers: San Jose 1.669.900.6833 or Houston 1.346.248.7799.

# Check out...

The functions neighboring Rotary Clubs are sponsoring on the last page of our newsletter!

# Next week - Lunch Choices Catered by Sunrise Bistro

## BOX LUNCHES

### Sandwich Box

Made with our Herbed or Whole Wheat Breads  
Includes Potato or Pasta Salad, Lemon Bar  
or Chocolate Banana Bread (Chef's Choice)

#### Selections:

Turkey - Turkey & Cranberry - Ham - B  
Tri Tip & Caramelized Onions - Cashew Chicken  
Salad - Tuna Salad - Egg Salad  
Vegetarian: Herbed Cream Cheese, Avocado, Carrots,  
Beets, Cucumber, Tomato & Sprouts  
Roasted Veggie: Roasted Veggies with Tomato Basil  
Pesto Spread  
Vegan: Hummus, Avocado, Carrots, Beets,  
Cucumber, Tomato & Sprouts



### Salad Boxes

Butter, Lemon Bar, Brownie or  
Banana Bread (Chef's Choice)

#### Selections:

Chicken, Cashew Chicken Salad  
(GF) - Chicken or Flaked Salmon Caesar's Goddess -  
Greek - Chicken & Roasted Vegetable (GF) -  
Edamame & Avocado Quinoa (GF)



\*\* (GF) (Vegan) Includes Piece of Fresh Fruit & Chia  
Seed Pudding  
\*\* Mariposa Gluten Free Bread

## SPECIALTY BOXES

### Cindy's Special Box

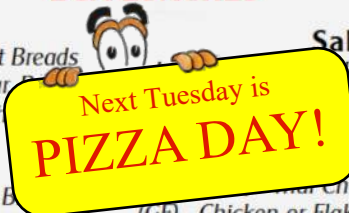
Grilled Mary's Chicken Breast, Roasted Vegetables,  
Sweet Potato, House Salsa, Fresh Baked Roll,  
Brownie or Lemon Bar (Chef's Choice)

### Tahini Lentil Bowl

Roasted Cauliflower & Broccolini, Charred Red  
Onions, Lentils, Baby Chard & Kale, Toasted Seeds,  
Herbed Lemon Tahini Dressing, Fresh Baked Roll,  
Brownie or Lemon Bar (Chef's Choice)

### Paleo Box (GF)

Grilled Mary's Chicken Breast, Roasted Vegetables,  
Roasted Sweet Potatoes, Fresh Fruit & Nuts





# Other Club Functions




**CONCORD DIABLO**  
**BOWLING**  
*Bash*

Clayton Valley Bowl 5300 Clayton Rd Concord, CA 94521

<b>SATURDAY</b> APRIL 29TH 5:30 PM	<b>ENTRY</b> <b>\$30</b>	<b>INCLUDES</b> 2 GAMES, SHOES, BALL, PIZZA & FUN!
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Sponsorship availability  
Contact: [concorddiablorotary@gmail.com](mailto:concorddiablorotary@gmail.com)

**Rotary**  
Club of Concord Diablo



**VACCINES WORK.**  
**THE FIGHT TO END**  
**POLIO IS PROOF.**

**WORLD IMMUNIZATION WEEK**  
24-30 APRIL 2023

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