This Week's Worker Bees

Presiding ......................... Barry Slavin
Team Captain ............. Valerie Ridgers
Speaker Intro.............. Valerie Ridgers
Thought/Pledge............... John Roberts
Visitors  Intro............... Andy Marshall
Bulletin Editor............. John McClinton
Next Bulletin Editor.... John McClinton
Roving Microphone..........
Set-Up/Take-Down........ John Matkin
Song Leader.............. Larry Palmieri
Ticket Sales............. Larry Palmieri
Birthdays.................. Mark Sanford
Anniversaries.............

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 10th, 11:30am to 2pm,
Palmer School, Annual Holiday Party. This
year’s event is a champagne potluck brunch. $20
per person includes $10 donation to the CC Food
Bank. **Sign up TODAY or call Donna Montana
942-9486 (work) or 947-5467 (home) with to coo-
dinate your potluck item.**

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

December 12  Fung Shui
December 19  Northgate Choir
December 26  No Meeting. See you in 2001!
Last Week: PDG Neil Hoffman inspired us with anecdotes from his travels abroad on international service projects for Rotary International. Rotarians are uniquely situated, better than any other group for the first time in the history of the world, to cross political, governmental, religious, racial, cultural, and all other borders to unite humans for the betterment of all. Our power is the bond of fellowship and dedication to service above self, worldwide. You can participate in this fourth avenue of Rotary service by making donations, taking part in existing international projects, travel and share fellowship with Rotarians around the world.

Anniversaries

Congratulations to Rotarians celebrating anniversaries in November: Bob and Shirley Nootbar, Al and Cindy Sevilla, Stanford and Jeanette White.

Recognitions

Roy Hjersman was back in attendance, continuing his recovery from a recent stroke.

Frank Suess is visiting from Switzerland, and shared a thought from the day from Lilli Tomlin: “98% of the population are good and honorable people and the other 2% cause all the trouble; but, then again, it’s our fault for electing them to office…”

Andy Marshall confessed (after gentle prodding) to the recent purchase of a beautiful BMW 740iL.

New Director

Thanks to Linda Morris for taking over the remainder of Saul Dangott’s term as Director for the Rotary years 1999-2001. She joins Ursula Behiel and Jack Fischer (also 2000-2001), and Bill Larmer, Valerie Ridgers, and Al Sevilla (2000-2002).

Announcements:

Sunday, December 10th, 11:30am to 2pm, Palmer School, 2740 Jones Road, Walnut Creek, Annual Holiday Party. This year’s event is a champagne potluck brunch. $20 per person includes $10 donation to the CC Food Bank. Ham, turkey, and drinks will be provided. Sign up TODAY or call Donna Montana 942-9486 (work) or 947-5467 (home) with to coordinate your potluck item.

Rotary International Presidents Dinner—January 3, 2001 in San Jose. Honor RI President Frank Develyn and his wife Gloria. Tickets are $42. Rooms at the Doubletree are $59. Order tickets from PDG Peter Faye, Eldorado Ranch, Knights Landing CA 95645, 530-735-6421. For hotel reservations call the Doubletree at 408-453-4000.

Rotary District 5160 Conference—May 3-5 2001 in Woodland. Register now to receive the pre-12/31/00 advance registration discount. Information and registration forms are available from Roger Dolan or online at “www.rotary5160.org”

Yosemite Weekend 2001. $150 deposits are due now. See Fletcher Tyler.

Community Foundation Annual Crab Feed Fundraiser, February 3rd.

Our major fundraiser for the year is less than 60 days away. This year’s major beneficiaries include the DARE program, and the Club’s Community Foundation.

See Ursula Behiel or Roger Dolan now to buy your tickets with checks payable to the WC Rotary Community Foundation (not the “Endowment Fund”); $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.

See Marty Larsen for Table Sponsorships at $50.

See Ken Wirfel to purchase squares for the Reverse Raffle Drawing, $20 each with cash prizes of $100, $200, and $300.

Drop off your silent auction and raffle prize donations with Linda Morris or her staff at Union Bank, 1555 Mt Diablo Boulevard, Walnut Creek.

Call Russ Anderson or Gil Bordenave with live auction donations. Each team is asked to provide two live auction prizes valued at $200 or more, and one item valued at $500 or more. Russ and Gil also can help make suggestions or talk over your ideas for soliciting donations.

Each member also is asked to bring one bottle of premium wine for the auction raffle; please bring your donation now so it can be sorted and included in the program book. Bring them to meetings or drop them off at Union Bank.

Call Doug Goodrich if you can be a “spotter” during the auction portion of the event.

We need help from all Club members to make this event a success. Contact the following committee chairs to volunteer: Administrative/Letters/Acknowledgements—Bruce Cockerham; Advertising/Printing—Rick Matthews; Auction Checkout—Tom Rockwell; Auctioneer/Spotters—Doug Goodrich; Live Auction—Russ Anderson and Gil Bordenave; Silent Auction—Sharon Camandona and Linda Morris; Bar—Jesse Smyres; Cleanup—Inner Wheel; Check in/Greeters—Bruce Johnson; Corporate Sponsors—Mike Frost; Decorations—Inner Wheel; Kitchen—Les & Cathy Howard; Master of Ceremonies—Mark Hull; Music/Sound—Ivan Kerr; Raffle—Lance Mendes; Reverse Draw—Ken Wirfel; Servers—Inner Wheel; Table Sponsors—Marty Larsen; Ticket Sales—Ursula Behiel and Roger Dolan.

Ambassadorial Scholarships—Applications Available Now

All Rotarians are invited to nominate candidates for the Rotary Foundation one-year academic scholarship ($25,000) the six-month cultural scholarship ($19,000), or three-month cultural scholarships. College teachers who wish to spend a year teaching abroad also can receive a $12,500 stipend if selected. This is the largest, privately funded, international scholarships program in the world. Applicants must have completed two years of college or university course work, or have completed high school and two years in a recognized vocational training. They must be citizens of a country in which there is a Rotary club. Initial application is made through the local Rotary club in the applicant’s legal or permanent residence or place of full-time study or employment. Rotarians, employees of Clubs, Districts or RI, lineal descendants (children or grandchildren) or spouses of lineal descendants, or ancestors (parent or grandparent) are not eligible. See Prez Barry for applications or for further information.

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.

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