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Upcoming Events

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

Upcoming Meeting Programs

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

This Week’s Worker Bees

Presiding ..............................Oscar Wu
Director...........................Rem Barnard
Team Captain .................... Bryan Yeh
Thought/Pledge...............Jim Campana
Guest Intro & Mic.....Howard Rudiger
Speaker Intro...............Bryan Yeh
Set-Up/Take-Down.......Layton Hansen

Ticket Sales..................Rem Barnard
Birthdays.........................
Anniversaries.............
Song Leader.............. Doug Goodrich
Bulletin Editor......... John McClintic
Next Bulletin Editor.... John McClintic

Steven Popell Collaborative Practice in Divorce

Kohoku Exchange Student—Yusuke Funaki--Visits Us in August
Make-up, try www.rotaryeculbname.org.

Rotary Club of Lafayette Golf Tournament, Reception, Mon Aug 6th

Please contact Tom Rockwell right away if you would like to be part of our Club’s contingent in the Lafayette Club’s golf tournament fundraiser this coming Monday, August 7th. $125 per person.

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 for international graduate students at Cal. This is one of the oldest community programs sponsored by our club, dating back to the days when our county was covered with farms and other agricultural attractions. There are a few working farms, and several vineyards, still operating and this gives international students a chance to see America’s farmland. After the bus tour, we sponsor one or more dinners for Rotarians and the I-House guests.

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.

Support Rotary, support your club and have a great time while doing it!

Paul Harris Society Inaugural Gala Dinner, Sat November 11th

Mark your calendars to attend the inaugural gala dinner celebrating the formation of the new “Paul Harris Society”. Members of the society will commit to donating $1,000 per year to the Rotary International foundation. This significant increase from the “Sustaining Membership” target of $100 per Rotarian per year recognizes that the tremendous increase in the cost of living that has occurred since the Sustaining Member program was introduced over 20 years ago. Members who are fortunate enough to have the financial resources to do so are encouraged to give serious consideration to making this increased level of commitment, to support the fabulous programs and activities funded through RI worldwide.

Who Am I?

We introduce a new weekly feature “Who Am I?” Each week, this feature will provide some clues about the background of one of our Rotarians. The Members and guests are challenged to guess the name of the featured Rotarian. Answers will be posted in tiny print on the back page.

“I love Rotary because Rotarians throughout our community provide tireless help and assistance to many of the local community groups that I volunteer with, including the Lindsay Wildlife Museum, and the Diablo Regional Arts Association (where I am a trustee). These contacts also are helpful in my professional career with Mechanics Bank, where I work in the Rotary classification “Banking--Trusts and Investments.” My hobbies include golfing with my 13 year old son, and in charity tournaments with my many Rotary friends.” Who am I?

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 incoming 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 “wcclub@rotarywc.org”.

Please note that the wcclub@rotarywc.org address is a new “Club-wide” email address, and replaces the “allmembers” address which was taken over by email spammers.

New and Proposed Members


Invite a Prospective Member to Lunch

Please pick up a few “Be My Guest” cards to invite business and personal contacts to attend a future Rotary Club meeting as a guest of the Club. Share Rotary with them, and help maintain our membership of active, dedicated Rotarians.

Sunshine Committee—Chairman Now Lee Schneider

Help the Club send good wishes and support for Rotarians and spouses recovering from surgery.