October 24, 2017
World Polio Day
Walnut Creek Mayor Rich Carlston reads a Proclamation from the Walnut Creek City Council recognizing October 24, 2017, as World Polio Day.

Today’s Program features District 5016 Polio Plus Chair Pancho (aka) Cecil Padilla, and a presentation about World Polio Day, Today.

Nominating Committee Report: The Club nominating committee announces the following nominations for Club officers 2018-2019:
Pres Elect Jesse Smyers (President 2019-2020) Secretary – Jason Callan
Attendance Secretary – Layton Hansen
RI Foundation Secretary – Gordon Fischer
Treasurer – Marcia Gerg
Directors 2018-2020 Drew Marshall, Matt Guichard, and Scott Wilson
Continuing Directors 2017-2019 Steve Derby, David Killebrew, and Carl Manna

Should any Club member wish to make any alternative nominations, they should make their wishes known to Marty Larsen or Jerry Benoit before our October 24th meeting.

Walnut Creek Community Service Day, Rescheduled to Saturday October 28, 9am to 1pm. We will be working at the Howe Homestead. Streamlined signup available with Jesse Smyers.

Annual Rotary Club of Walnut Creek Poker Tournament with Loaves and Fishes, Friday November 10th. St. Isadore Church, 440 La Gonda Way, Danville, 5:30 pm dinner, 6:30pm play begins. $75 per seat (pay in advance and receive $200 in extra chips, $80 at the door. $600 for a table of 9 (save $75!). Be a table sponsor for another $200 and receive $500 in extra chips, 2 drink tickets and inclusion in all advertising before and during the event! Register online at Register online at www.loavesfishescc.org using the code word “POKER” To pay by check, make check payable to Loaves and Fishes and send to: Loaves and Fishes at 835 Ferry Street, Martinez, CA 94553. For more info call Carl Manna at 925-389-0850.

Holiday Party December 19, Boundary Oak. Mark this date on your calendar. Details will be coming closer to the event. See Gordon Fischer

LN-4 Artificial Hands Delivery Projects—UPDATE: The Ecuador project is postponed, but the El Salvador project is on. The current El Salvador itinerary is Wed. Feb 21 Travel to San Salvador Airport and by a private bus to San Miguel (about 2 hrs); Thurs. Feb 22 Tour by private bus; Fri Feb 23 Organize the LN-4 training and project site and then a short tour; Sat Feb 24 Project day, Sun Feb 25 to Tues Feb 27 Bus tours to Mayan ruins, beaches, lakes and volcanoes; Wed Feb 28 Return to the US If you are interested in participating, please contact our honorary member Bob Romero directly at romero0425@aol.com. Volunteers are responsible for their own expenses and must make their own travel arrangements, but Bob can put you in touch with a travel agent who is making the arrangements.

No Limit - 2018 District Conference Hyatt Regency, Incline Village, NV Friday to Sunday May 4-6, 2018. Join over 300 Rotarians from around District 5160 for a weekend of dynamic speakers, hands-on service, fellowship and fun in beautiful North Lake Tahoe. Register at www.rotary5160.org. Reserve your hotel rooms now at $159 per night, including 3 days before and 3 days after.

Crab Feed Fundraiser January 27, 2018—Our annual fundraiser is coming soon. Start soliciting donations for live auction, silent auction, and raffle prizes.
Long time Club member Frank Suess and his wife Lilli visited us last week. They live in Switzerland. Jack Fischer and Fletch Tyler also pictured.

Fellowship Events Are Underway!

Walnut Creek Chamber of Commerce October BASH, Thursday October 26, 2017 5:30 to 7:00, Walnut Creek Historical Society, 2660 Ygnacio Valley Rd. See Prez Trudy or Marcia Gerg.

Spirit Fest, Saturday, October 28th, sponsored by Concord Rotary at the Concord Historical Society and Conference Center. info@spiritsfest.org for more info

Holiday Tea, Sunday, December 10th, sponsored by Dess Benedetto

Holiday Party Tuesday, December 19th at Boundary Oak. Sign-up with Gordon Fischer.

Elvis Presley Birthday Party, Saturday, January 6th, at Triner/Foley's

Annual Crab Feed, Saturday, January 27th
Start planning now. Tickets will be on sale soon.

Chinese New Year Banquet, February 16th at Smooth Seasons Restaurant, 525 Center Avenue, Martinez, CA, $30 per person, hosted by Clint & Bev Collier (with some help from Tessie Wu)

Buffet Dinner, Saturday, February 24th, at Chez Les Rennettes

St. Patrick's Day Party, Saturday, March 17th, at Triner/Foley's

Yacht Club BBQ, Sunday, April 22nd, Milt Smith host

Kentucky Derby Party. Saturday, May 5th, Cathy Durfee & Jennifer Ruane hosting

“Coffee Tawks” are being scheduled. See Carl Manna to signup. You will be matched with another Rotarian to get together for coffee at a mutually agreed time and location. Get to know one another.

Upcoming Club Meetings and Events:
Tuesday October 31  EJ Deterle, Past President Half Moon Bay Rotary. “EJ's Oktoberfest Singalong!”