



Rotary Club Of Walnut Creek  
P.O. Box 4191  
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**Upcoming Events**

**November 4<sup>th</sup> Breeder's Cup at Golden Gate Fields.** See Ursula Behiel for information.

**Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, our annual Holiday Party.** Time and location TBA.

**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. Start soliciting and collecting silent auction items.

**Upcoming Meeting Programs**

November 7 Business Incubator, Linda Best of the Contra Costa Economic Partnership

November 14 Rotary International Foundation

November 21 2001 Regional Transportation Plan, Lawrence Dahms of MTC

November 28 Matching Grants, with Neil Hoffman



# The Walnut Leaf

**ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK**

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**This Week's Worker Bees**

Presiding ..... Barry Slavin  
Team Captain ..... Bill Larmer  
Speaker Intro..... Bob Hagler  
Thought/Pledge..... Fletcher Tyler  
Visitors Intro..... Gill Bordenave  
Bulletin Editor... ..... John McClintic  
Next Bulletin Editor.... John McClintic

Roving Microphone.... Gill Bordenave  
Set-Up/Take-Down..... Oscar Wu  
Song Leader..... Larry Palmieri  
Ticket Sales..... Joe Anthony  
Birthdays..... Lance Mendes  
Anniversaries.....

THIS PROGRAM

**Walnut Creek  
School District Superintendent, Michael  
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**Next Week: Business Incubator:  
Linda Best of Contra Costa Economic  
Partnership**

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ROTARY  
INTERNATIONAL  
DISTRICT 5160**

Chartered April 7, 1937

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Take Action*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Recognitions

Thanks to the many Club members who sponsored **Bob Schroder** in the recent fundraising walk for the American Heart Association. Sponsors contributed \$500, matched \$250 by Bob to the AHA, and \$250 to the Club's Community Foundation.

Thanks to the following Rotarians, spouses, and friends who served as home hosts and drivers for the visiting delegation of Russian bakers: This year's program involved the participation of more than 1/3 of the active members of the Club. Home hosts included **Quent Alexander, Alex MacDonald, Clint Collier, Doug Goodrich, Bill Larmer, Milt Smith, and Oscar Wu.** Drives included **Quent Alexander, Wolf Heinritz, Tom Rockwell, Bob Schroder, Roger Dolan, Bob Hagler, Allen Wesdorf, Heinz Hoffman, Jack Matkin, Fletcher Tyler, Paul Fisher, Fred Scheffler, and Jack Fischer.** And a huge thank you and congratulations to **Russ Anderson** for his tremendous contribution of time and effort to organize and coordinate this latest successful visit. Russ notes that this year's program hosted a dozen first-time visitors, and the hosts enjoyed developing lasting friendships with them. It exemplifies the best aspects of Rotary's fostering of international goodwill and understanding through shared meetings and exchanges.

**Stanford White** was recognized for a CCT picture and article regarding Measure L and our local libraries. **Prez Barry** also paid up for mistakenly referring to Stanford as Stanley.

**The Club** received an Excellence Award for giving to the Rotary International Foundation at an average total per capital participation level of 106%.

**Prez Barry** thanked project chair **Jack Fisher** and the many Club members who have been assisting with the Club's Community Service Project, the construction of an amphitheater at the Sugar Loaf Open Space park. The Prez noted that he again would miss the Saturday Oct 28th volunteer workday for yet another SF commitment. This time, however, we are supposed to cut him some slack because it isn't a champagne sailing cruise.

### Announcements:

**The Rotary Club of Tucson** has a \$10 per ticket raffle benefiting the Catalina Council of the Boy Scouts of America. The raffle prize is \$100,000 or a house valued at \$150,000. See **Prez Barry** if you want to purchase tickets.

**The Rotary Club of Pittsburg** is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a black-tie dinner at Zandonella's Italian Restaurant at the Delta View Golf Course in Pittsburg on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$30. For information call 432-7801.

**Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, as our annual Club Holiday Party.** Location, time, and other details to be announced.

**Clint Collier** invites readers of Patrick O'Brien to join in the fun and fellowship of the formation of a new local chapter of the "Rotarian Friends of Aubrey-Maturin (RFAM)". Contact **Clint** (email [clintc@rotarywc.org](mailto:clintc@rotarywc.org)) to become part of the fun and help plan the first "High Seas Adventure Dinner."

**Yosemite Weekend 2001 Dates Set: September October 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>** Signups have begun for next year's Club weekend in Yosemite. See Fletcher Tyler or find the signup sheet at an upcoming meeting.

**Invite a Friend or Business Contact to Join Us for Lunch.** We have many excellent programs ahead in October and November. Take this opportunity to invite a friend or business contact to enjoy a Rotary meeting "on us." Let them learn about the fellowship and service opportunities available in the wonderful world of Rotary.

**Our Club and Community Foundation Annual Crab Feed Fundraiser, February 3<sup>rd</sup>.** This year's major beneficiaries include the DARE program, the Club's Community Foundation. To ensure the event is well-attended, each Club member is asked to commit to purchase/sell four tickets. See event co-chairs **Russ Anderson and Dick Mortensen** with your auction items, ideas, and for more information. See **Roger Dolan** for information about tickets.

**Proposed New Members** The following have been proposed for membership in the Club.

Dennis Bell, Law Enforcement Management  
Tom Jones, Senior Health Care Services  
Please provide any comments to the Club Secretary.

[News items for this space omitted;

bulletin editor cannot afford more fines.]

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**Rotary Meeting Etiquette** Members are expected to attend the entire meeting and program, whether at their home club or when making up at another Club. Occa-

sionally, business or other emergencies require a member to excuse him or herself prior to the end of the meeting. In most Clubs, including ours, the departing member is charged a nominal fee (\$5 in our case) for this privilege. Many members also make it a practice to discretely apologize to the speaker in advance for having to miss the speaker's presentation. **Prez Barry reminds all members who left early at last week's meeting, or any prior meeting, to pay over the \$5 early departure fee to the Club treasurer.**

### Congratulations New Blue Badge Members

**COGmaster John Gardner** presided as **Carl Manna, Clint Collier, and Linda Morris** graduated from red badge to blue badge status, having successfully completed the new member training process. Carl received special recognition for having endured the longest tenure to date as a red badge—eighteen months.

**Meet New Member Linda Morris** New blue badge member **Linda Morris** briefly introduced herself to the Club. Linda grew up in Southern California, but has spent the past 25 years or so in Benecia. She has spent 25 years in her vocation of banking. Many of those years have been in Walnut Creek including her first part-time position with Security Pacific Bank. Linda enjoys community service and was an active member of the Rotary Club of Danville for four years before joining our Club. She has 2 children from a prior marriage, and 6 grandchildren, and has been married to her husband Jim for 20 years.

**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](mailto:johnm@rotarywc.org).

**Check Out Our Website: [www.rotarywc.org](http://www.rotarywc.org)** If you haven't done so, please check out our Club's very own website at [www.rotarywc.org](http://www.rotarywc.org). Find information about upcoming meetings and events, Club projects, history, and members. Note also that you can email most club members through the website using their nickname and last name's first initial (e.g. Hari Boukis is [harib@rotarywc.org](mailto:harib@rotarywc.org)).