

Upcoming Events

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Upcoming Meeting Programs

No Meetings December 17 or 24th See you in 2003!

For the latest "scoop" on upcoming meeting programs, visit our website and click on the link on the home page: www.rotarywc.org

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ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK

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This Week's Worker Bees

Presiding Bruce Cockerham
Team Captain Jack Matkin
Thought/Pledge Hari Boukis
Guest Intro & Mic John Gardner
Speaker Intro
Set-Up/Take-Down
Ticket Sales

Birthdays......

Anniversaries...

Song Leader...... Doug Goodrich
Bulletin Editor..... John McClintic
Next Bulletin Editor.... John McClintic

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Today's Program:

Las Lomas High School Choir

Annual Club Holiday Party and Dinner

This Sunday, December 15th

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Bhichai Rattakul International President

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Connie Crawford
District
Governor Nominee

Bruce Cockerham President

> Jack Fischer President-Elect

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> Rod Uffindell Treasurer

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Hari Boukis Bulletin Publisher

Directors 2001-2003 Mike Frost Georgia Cockerham Layton Hanson 2002-2004

Bruce Johnson Carl Manna Jack Matkin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Club Holiday Party and Dinner -- This Sunday, December 15th

This is your last chance to sign up for this year's Club Holiday Party on Sunday night, December 15, at the Palmer School. The Northgate High School Madrigals will be singing for us. We will start with hosted bar at 5:30pm, followed with dinner at 6:30pm. \$25 per person. Bring wine to share with your tablemates; Rotarians A-K also are asked to bring hors d'ouevres and Rotarians L-Z are asked to bring desserts. Signup and pay by December 10th.

Nominating Committee Report

The nominating committee has submitted the following names for the positions indicated:

President 2004-2005 Gill Bordenave
External Secretary 2003-2004 Layton Hanson
Internal Secretary 2003-2004 Clint Collier
Attendance Secretary 2003-2004 Quentin Alexander
Treasurer 2003-2004 Rod Uffindell
Director 2003-2005 Pam Raumer
Director 2003-2005 Tony Gourkani
Director 2003-2005 Jim Schmidt

The above nominees were read at the November 26 and December 3 meetings, and additional nominations were invited from the floor with none being offered. On motion duly made and seconded, nominations then were closed. An additional opportunity to make nominations from the floor will be offered at today's meeting.

November Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following Rotarians and spouses who celebrated wedding anniversaries in November: Al and Cindy Sevilla, Bob and Shirley Nootbaar, Stanford and Jeanette White. And a bronx cheer to Pres. Bruce who was recognized by Sergeant-at-Arms Tony Gourkani for skipping the anniversary recognition prepared by Lee Schneider for last week's meeting.

Meet New Member Ken Roberts

Ken was born in Oakland and raised in Newark. He and his wife Janice have been married for 15 years and live in Walnut Creek with their children Mackenzie and Gavin. Ken studied computer science at UC Berkeley and UC Santa Cruz, then left school to work as an accountant. He soon missed graphic arts and switched his career focus to the advertising industry. Ken took additional coursework in graphic arts and joined Saatchi and Saatchi in San Francisco, working on many large national ad campaigns. He co-ventured a small graphic arts company 7 years ago, and now is the owner of his own business, "Foundation 23." Welcome, Ken!

Membership Dues Reminder

Members who are on the January billing cycle should receive their dues statements this week. Dues are due on January 1st and become late if not received by January 31st. Your payments may be mailed in to our post office box or simply handed to Clint Collier at any of the meetings. If your company is paying your dues for you please make sure that your name is included on the check so you get prompt credit.

Rotary Club of Walnut Creek 2002 Turkey Challenge—One Week to Go

Inspired by wearing Tom Turkey on his head (and Clint Collier's specific suggestion), President Bruce has issued the *Turkey Challenge* of 2002 to all Club members. Members are challenged to purchase and donate supermarket gift certificates that may be redeemed for turkeys or other needed food. Donated certificates will benefit the Food Bank of Contra Costa County and those whom the Food Bank will feed this year. The Challenge will run until Decem-

ber 15, the date of the Club's holiday party. To participate, Members will buy supermarket gift certificates in any amount and turn them in to their team captains. The team captains will collect the coupons through December 15, and turn them in for tabulation and delivery to the Food Bank. On the evening of our holiday party, honors and seasonally appropriate gifts will be awarded to each winning-team member. See Pat Wahl TODAY at the back of the meeting room to purchase certificates from Raleys—what could be easier?

Rotary License Plate Program—Rotary NEEDS YOU

We need to submit a minimum of 7500 applications by December, 31, 2002, or lose this fundraising and marketing opportunity. Similar programs in other States are already benefiting local Rotary Clubs and their projects. DON'T LET *CALIFORNIA* FAIL.

The Rotary special interest license plate is an official license plate issued by California's Department of Motor Vehicles. Proceeds (\$50 with the originations, \$26 for each renewal) are returned to local clubs for as long as the plates are in use benefit educational and community outreach activities supported by Rotary International in California.

California Rotary License Plates feature the motto "Service Above Self" and the emblem of Rotary International, and are "moving billboards" for Rotary, providing a wide-ranging, colorful, reminder of Rotary's ideals and good works. For more information, go to www.ca-rotarylicenseplates.org.

Sunrise Rotary's Super Bowl Raffle

The Walnut Creek Sunrise Rotary Club will have a drawing on December 10, 2002 to select the winner of a trip for two to the Super Bowl in San Diego, January 26, 2003. The winner will have 2 choice tickets to Super Bowl XXVII, and 3 nights stay in deluxe accommodations (two night prior and the night after the game). Raffle tickets are \$50 and may be obtained from any Sunrise Rotarian or by calling Bruce

Hahn 932-4044; Tom Cranmer 933-1044; or PDG Bill Spalding 938-0700.

Annual President's Dinner with Rotary International Pres. Bhichai Rattakul Fri January 3, 2003, The Double Tree Hotel, Two Portola Plaza, Monterey

Join us in welcoming our Rotary International President BHICHAI RATTAKUL to California. You won't want to miss our outstanding leader! No host reception 6:30pm; dinner at 7:30pm. \$45 per person, reserved seating for tables of 10. Black Tie Optional.

For Dinner Tickets, either sign up to join with our Club members to form our own table(s) or you can contact Dick Burkhalter 925-254-2222 in the Rotary Club of Orinda.

NO DINNER TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE EVENT!

For Hotel reservations, call 831-649-4511, and ask for the special Rotary rate of \$79 per night.

Annual Rotary Reno Train Trip January 12-13, 2003

See Randy Walker or Fletcher Tyler if you would like to be added in for the annual Rotary train trip to Reno on January 12th and 13th. Join Rotarians from throughout the Bay Area on this annual trip through the beautiful Sierra Nevada mountains to Reno. Great scenery, fellowship, fine dining, and shows make this a favorite social outing. \$200 (single) \$190 (double) occupancy, including your round trip train travel on the Rotary Express. Additional spaces may be available but you should let Randy or Fletcher know now so that he can make arrangements to add you in.

Has your personal information changed?

If your mailing address, telephone or fax numbers, email address, or other personal information changes, please tell the Club Secretary, Clint Col-