



Rotary Club Of Walnut Creek
P.O. Box 4191
Walnut Creek, CA 94596

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The Russian Bakers Are Coming!

Mark your calendars for the following Club events for the visiting delegation of bakers from Russia:

- April 6th 3-6pm Welcome Party at Adrian Mendes' home
- April 9th Program at our Regular Club Meeting
- April 20th Farewell Party

See **Russ Anderson** if you can host a member of the visiting delegation.

Paul Harris Fellowships—Special Matching Funds Grant for District 5160

Take advantage of a special \$44,000 grant to District 5160 which will be used to provide matching funds to members completing their Paul Harris Fellow memberships.

Upcoming Events

65th Anniversary Celebration Western BBQ and Hoedown, Tuesday April 30, 2002 5pm Cocktails, 6:15pm Dinner, Shadelands Art Center, 111 N. Wiget Lane. See Fletcher Tyler.

District 5160 Conference Golf Tournament, Friday, May 16. If you are going to the District Conference in Ashland Oregon, play in the golf tournament at Eagle Point Golf Course. Shotgun start at noon, followed by awards dinner. Cost is \$80. Contact John Mathena mathenajo@aol.com or 503-223-1010.

District 5160 Annual Conference. Ashland Oregon, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 16-19. Register online at www.rotary5160.org.

Upcoming Meeting Programs

March 12: Joint Meeting at Heather Farms Garden Center with Rossmoor Club, featuring guest speaker Dr. Samuel Oommen on Colon Cancer.



The Walnut Leaf

ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK

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This Week's Worker Bees

Presiding	Roger Dolan	Roving Microphone....	Allen Wesdorf
Team Captain	Mike Frost	Set-Up/Take-Down.....	Allen Wesdorf
Speaker Intro.....		Song Leader.....	
Thought/Pledge.....	Bob Schroder	Ticket Sales.....	
Visitors Intro.....	Allen Wesdorf	Birthdays.....	
Bulletin Editor.....	John McClintic	Anniversaries.....	
Next Bulletin Editor....	John McClintic		

THIS PROGRAM

This Week: Club Assembly

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**CLUB NO. 4191
ROTARY
INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 5160**

Chartered April 7, 1937

Richard D. King
International President

Mankind is our Business

Susan Wait
District Governor

Mark Von Hoetendorff
District Governor Nominee

Roger Dolan
President

Bruce Cockerham
President-Elect

Barry Slavin
Immediate Past President

Sal Flavetta & Clint Collier
Secretaries

Quentin Alexander
Attendance Secretary

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Donna Montana
Georgia Cockerham
Mike Frost
2000-2002
Jack Fischer
Al Sevilla
Valerie Ridgers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week: Club Assembly * Today's Agenda:

1. New Club Membership Rolls—Quentin Alexander
2. Proposal for Processing New Members—Jack Fischer
3. Membership Drive—Roger Dolan
4. Camp Venture and Camp Royale, Four-Way Speech Contest—Carl Manna
5. Community Service—Jack Matkin
6. Environmental Program—Bob Nootbaar

Rotary Club Membership Practices Proposed Policy Changes, Rotary Club of Walnut Creek

Background: Rotary International recently changed several areas related to membership. The following is a summary of these changes:

A. There shall be only two classes of membership- Active and Honorary. (An "Active" pays dues to R.I. and an "Honorary" does not. Local Rotary clubs can bestow "Honorary" membership on an individual because of community leadership.)

B. Missed meeting attendance can be made up by attending another Rotary club's meeting or participating in any club committee meeting or project. The "make-up" can occur up to two weeks before or two weeks after the missed meeting.

C. Each local club may adopt its own rules relative to attendance required of "Active" members, providing that the basic membership rules of R.I. are not violated.

D. The "classification" rules were changed to permit additional "active" members from the same business or profession, limited to no more than 5% from any one classification in small clubs (50 or less members) or 10% in large clubs.

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In order to bring the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek in

line with the RI membership changes and establish workable local rules, the following changes are proposed:

Proposed Policy Changes:
Establish local status categories as follows:

"Gold Member"...one who meets a "Rule of 100" (age plus years of Rotary service) would be exempt from meeting attendance but would have the regular dues' cost.

"Silver Member"...one who meets a "Rule of 85" (age plus years of Rotary service) would have a meeting attendance requirement of three meetings a quarter and regular dues' cost. (Regular meeting or approved make-up.)

"Exemplar Member"...one who is selected by the Board in recognition of years of service to the club and special circumstances. This category is eligible for reduced dues to be established by the Board and would be exempt from attendance requirements.

"Leave of Absence"... for extended illness or temporary residence away from the local club area or other short-term commitment making attendance impossible.

Anyone in the "leave" category on 30 June 2002 would be continued in that category subject to the length of term approved by the Board.

Members currently in Senior Active Excused category as of 30 June 2002 would be "grand-fathered" in the Silver or Gold category depending on their years of service and age; except that any such member can be placed in the Gold category upon their request.

These changes, if approved by the Club, would become effective at the beginning of the new Rotary year, 1 July 2002.

Rotary District 5160 Annual District Conference Ashland, Oregon

This year's District Conference offers a special setting for fine dining and fabulous theater, as well as the usual District programs and events. Send your registration form in now, and book your hotel so that you will be sure to be able to join in all of the fun and fellowship.

For information and registration, go to the District website www.rotary5160.org.

Thursday, May16-SportsDay

Afternoon **Golf at Eagle Point Golf Course**
Evening **Sports Banquet at Eagle Point Golf Course.**
Directions: Take I-5 Exit 30 (Rt62) East 8.5 Miles.

Friday, May17-Foundation Day

9:30-10:30AM - **PDG Breakfast** Windmill Inn
10:30-11:30AM (Delegates)- **Legislative Session** Windmill Inn
12:00-2:00PM **Opening Lunch** Speaker Sharon Tension, CCI
2:00-4:00PM PEP; Russian Leadership Program; GSE Presentations; Matching Grants; Ambassadorial Scholars
5:00-6:30PM - **ClubFellowship-Buffer Dinner and Drinks**
7:30-10:30PM **Ashland Armory** Dessert with Paul Harris;
Swing Dancing with Leslie Kendall and the Jump Daddies

Saturday,May18-"NewGeneration"Day

8:00-9:30AM - **Breakfast** Windmill Inn
10:00-12:00PM - **Theater Tour** The New Theater
12:00-1:30PM - **Lunch** Windmill Inn; President's Representative
1:30-2:00PM **Entertainment**
2:00-4:00PM **Forum** Global Quest Awards; Avenues of Service Awards; Interact; Rotaract; Speech Contest Finalists; Ambassadorial Scholars
5:00-8:00PM **Dine Around in Ashland Restaurants**
8:00PM **Theater Night** Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? Macbeth

Sunday, May19-Wrap-UpDay

8:30-10:00AM -Windmill Inn **Brunch** Entertainment; Outstanding Club Awards; Next Year's Conference; Closing Remarks

Accommodations

The Windmill Inn can accommodate all Conference participants. A block of rooms has been set aside for us. Make reservations directly at:

Windmill Inn of Ashland
2525Ashland Street
Ashland, OR 97520
1-800-547-4747

Thank You's To:

Team 2 led by Jack Fischer for a terrific month of pro-

grams in January.

Andy Halperin for service above and beyond in handling setup and takedown for three straight weeks.

Wilma Lott Catering for consistent high quality meals, and friendly and dedicated service.

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Mark your calendars and bring your spouse to celebrate our Club's 65th Anniversary.

We also need your help in locating and contacting all of the students who have participated in the Rotary Club of Kohoku Japan exchange program. We want to invite them (and their guest) to be our guests at the dinner. Please give any information you have to Fletcher Tyler.

Welcome New Member

Please welcome our newest new member, **Pamela Raumer**, classification banking. Her sponsor is **Ira Hillyer**.

Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following Rotarians and spouses celebrating wedding anniversaries in February: **Bob and Terry Johnston, Doug and Alice Goodrich, Roy and Margaret Hjersman.**

Recognitions

Oscar Wu attended the Olympics in Park City, and brought back a USA beret to auction for the Community Foundation (the hottest souvenir item at the Winter Games).

Past District Governor Paul Fisher for his leadership in the Chiappas Mexico economic development and relocation program. The project history has been circulating at the Club meetings for several weeks, and it shows the amazing work done to assist Chiappas natives in relocating back to their native land, develop orchards, goat and poultry farms, and install sanitation facilities.

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