



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

Upcoming Events

District 5160 Conference Golf Tournament, Thursday, 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.

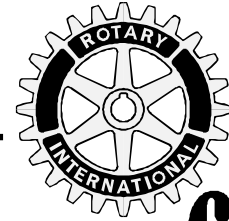
District 5160 Annual Conference THIS WEEK-END. Ashland Oregon, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 16-19. Register online at www.rotary5160.org.

Pac Bell Park Behind the Scenes Tour, May 25th at 10am Sign up by May 14th with Al

Upcoming Meeting Programs

May 21 The Art of Bonsai, by Diablo Bonsai Club

May 28 Muscular Dystrophy Association



The Walnut Leaf

ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK

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This Week's Worker Bees

Presiding Roger Dolan
 Team Captain Al Sevilla
 Speaker Intro..... Al Sevilla
 Thought/Pledge..... Lance Mendes
 Visitors Intro..... Tom Grimm
 Bulletin Editor..... John McClintic
 Next Bulletin Editor.... John McClintic

Roving Microphone..... Tom Grimm
 Set-Up/Take-Down..... Bob Johnson
 Song Leader.....
 Ticket Sales..... Carl Manna
 Birthdays..... Ken Wirfel
 Anniversaries.....

THIS PROGRAM

**Today: A Survivor Story,
 with Takashi Tanemori**



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 ANNUAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE
 ASHLAND, OREGON

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 ROTARY
 INTERNATIONAL
 DISTRICT 5160**

Chartered April 7, 1937

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Mankind is our Business

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 District Governor

Mark Von Hoetendorff
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEKEND MAY 16-19

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.

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 Tennison, CCI
2:00-4:00PM PEP; Russian Leadership Program; GSE Presentations; Matching Grants; Ambassadorial Scholars
5:00-6:30PM – **Club Fellowship-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

Sanitation Project (and Demotion Party) at the Tuesday Meeting July 2nd

Yes, friends, it's time to dispose of **President Roger** and the Rotary year 2001-2002. This year's clean-up event will be held at the regular Club meeting at Heather Farms Garden Center on Tuesday, July 2nd. We will have fun, camaraderie, hijinks, highlights of the year, and a special menu for lunch. A sign-up sheet will be circulated starting the beginning of June. A committee of the Club's most merciless efficient sanitation specialists is forming under the capable direction of **Barry “the Cleaner” Slavin** to give our outgoing president the treatment he so richly deserves. Stay tuned for information about the uniform of the day.

Recognitions

Hey, **Mel Bacher**, next year promises to be more spontaneous and silly! **Pres-Elect and presiding officer Bruce Cockerham** twisted his tongue around the microphone while welcoming **Wolf “Heinrich” Heinritz** back to the Club after several

weeks of hard duty in Maui.

Thanks to **John Gardner** and the other Rotarians who helped again with the annual “Fishing in the City” project.

Chris Gnanakone visited Sri Lanka working with local Rotary Clubs to set up a major wheelchair donation and distribution project. Our Club has pledged \$2,000 to this effort. The goal is to provide 240 chairs, with the first deliveries in August. See Chris to make or donation or to volunteer.

Stanford White recognized **Bob Johnston** for his assistance, office support, friendship, and fellowship as landlord and accounting colleague for many years.

Blue Badge Presented to Tony Gourkani

Tony Gourkani moved up to blue badge status, with the help of Cogmaster **John Gardner** and his sponsor **Bruce Cockerham**.

Message from President Roger Dolan on Supporting the Rotary Foundation

Now that the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek's Community Foundation is up and running, we have all gotten into a pattern of donating money exclusively to the Community Foundation and forgetting about the Rotary Foundation.

The result is that our Club, which has in the past been most generous in donations to RF, is now seriously under performing the other clubs in the District. The Rotary Foundation funds Polio Plus, Ambassadorial Scholarships, and other international programs of Rotary. In my opinion, these funds are well spent and serve to multiply the effectiveness of the thousands of hours of volunteer labor that Rotarians contribute all around the world.

Most of the Club members told me last year how much they would be willing to donate to the Club this year. I have not "closed the loop" on these

promises, and I don't intend to treat them as IOU's since we all practice the Four Way test and anyone's situation may have changed. However this is a good time to think about finishing up a Paul Harris fellowship, or completing your giving for this Rotary year, by making a generous donation to the Rotary Foundation. Please come prepared to hand a check to Layton Hansen and help our Club maintain an old tradition of being a top performer in this area, along with all the rest. Contributions are tax deductible and will be well-spent.

Pacific Bell Park Behind the Scenes Tour, Saturday May 25th at 10am

Take this opportunity to look behind the scenes at Pacific Bell Park. Adults \$8, high school and under \$5; plus \$8 per car for parking. **Deadline for sign ups is May 14th** See **Al Sevilla**.

Walnut Creek Foundation for Youth Golf Tournament June 7th

Club members again will be playing in this annual fundraising tournament at Boundary Oak Golf Course. \$725 for a foursome or \$190 individual. 11:45 am box lunch; shotgun start at 12:45pm. No-host bar and buffet dinner afterwards.

ARF Golf Tournament June 17th

The club has received a flyer on the Tony LaRussa Animal Rescue Foundation (ARF) celebrities golf tournament. It is Monday June 17 at Chardonnay Golf Club, Napa. \$500 (Sponsorships \$10k to \$50k). For more information, call 925.296.3113.

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 Collier**, so that he can keep our records up to date. Contact Clint at the meetings or by email to clintc@rotarywc.org.