

Upcoming Events

April 22-29, Russian Entrepreneur Program. See Russ Anderson to help host our visitors. May 8 Sunrise Rotary Club "Cinco de Mayo" Fundraiser, Civic Park Auditorium. Sunday, May 16, Jazz Festival/Picnic Fundraiser, Borges Ranch, Noon to 4pm May 29-31, Rotary District Conference, Redding. Saturday, February 5, 2005, our next Crab Feed Fundraiser. Mark your calendars now.

Upcoming Meeting Programs

- March 30 State Parks Speaker on the History of Benicia as California's Capital
- April 6 Joint Meeting with Rossmoor Club at Heather Farms Garden Center, Guest Speaker Brig Gen Robert Chadwick, USMC Ret., "How to Protect Yourself from Identity Theft and Cybercrime"
- April 13 St Mary's College Athletic Director, Carl Clapp
- April 20 Betty Meffi, Contra Costa Historical Society
- April 27 Urshula Behiel, Our Annual Club "Day at the Races"
- May 11 Jeff Tedford, Cal Football Coach

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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This Week's Worker Bees

Presiding Jack Fischer Team Captain Jack Matkin Thought/Pledge..... John Milsap Guest Intro & Mic Ken Anderson Speaker Intro..... Jack Matkin Set-Up/Take-Down...... Jack Matkin Ticket Sales.....Al Sevilla

THIS PROGRAM

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

Birthdays.....

Quentin Alexander Attendance Secretary

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CLUB NO. 465 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL **DISTRICT 5160**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

This year's District 5160 Conference is in Redding, April 29 - May 1, 2004

Make Your Lodging Reservations Now! Discounted rates end March 27, 2004. Support these Rotarian owned hotels: Best Western - 2300 Hilltop Drive - Redding, CA 96002 (530)221-6100 / (800) 336-4880 Full Buffet Breakfast for Rotarians! Rotarian Room Rate \$89.00 (excluding taxes and fees); or the Holiday Inn - 1900 Hilltop Drive - Redding, CA 96002 (530) 221-7500 - http://www.meyercrest.com Rotarian Room Rate \$84.00 (excluding taxes and fees).

Register For The Conference Now!

Download a registration form at www.rotary5160.org/2004-registration.htm. Conference Fee (includes registration, programs, and Fri. & Sat. meals) Rotarians \$195; Non-Rotarian Guest \$145; Golf/ Sports Day-Thursday, April 29 at the Gold Hills Golf Club--Green Fees, Cart, Lunch & Dinner \$75; Dinner \$20 (No-Host Cocktails start at 6pm).

Speakers include Past Rotary International President, and Keynote speaker Dan Miller whose powerful, inspiring presentation, "Living, Laughing and Loving Life!" and unique humorous style promises to bring: The JOY of hope; The COURAGE to risk; The CHOICE to persist; The FREEDOM to laugh; and the CHALLENGE to reach for your DREAMS!

Russian Entrepreneurs Program

Please contact Russ Anderson if you can help host Russian visitors from April 22-29. This our eighth year of participation in this program which gives enthusiastic Russian entrepreneurs an intensive week-long close-up look at how US businesses work. Hosts provide breakfast and dinner, and transport to and from a central location each day. A farewell party also will be held at the Mendes home at the end of the week. We also need a driver for each day for our donated 15 passenger van.

Welcome New Members

Jan Wesdorf, Chiropractor, and Michael DeMeo, of the Michael DeMeo Insurance Agency (State Farm), have been inducted as new members. Be sure to welcome them.

Fishing in the City—Saturday, April 17th, Heather Farms

It's time again for our annual Fishing in the City adventure in partnership with the Department of Fish & Game, the City of Walnut Creek, and 80 Buena Vista school children. The main event is on Saturday, April 17th at the pond at Heather Farms. The event runs from 8:30 am to 11:00 am, with lunch for the kids afterwards. The Walnut Creek Journal will be out again to do an article on the event. So, if anyone has a few spare hours for the kids on the morning of the 17th, please contact **John** Gardner 935-0700, johng@rotarywc.org. Quentin Alexander is cooking up lunch, so that's covered. Don't worry, you don't need to know anything about fishing! Just good cheer and a few spare hours of community service.

Earth Day Project--Ellenwood Creek Clean-Up Saturday, April 17

If you are looking for a community service project, the BSA will be having a creek cleanup on Saturday, April 17th from the BSA Council office to the JFK University parking lot. Work 9am to noon and 1pm to 3pm, with free BBQ lunch noon to 1pm. See **John Mc-Clintic** for more info, or RSVP direct to Lilli Remer at 935-8707 or remer@mm2k.net.

30th Anniversary and Fundraiser, "The Wines of Contra Costa", April 24th

Join the celebration for Los Medanos College 2700 E. Leland Rd. Pittsburg, CA 94565. Cost per person: \$40.00 Featuring: Up to 15 Wineries; Wine Tastings; Hors d'oeuvres; Music; Silent Auction; Live Auction; Raffle Prizes; Planetarium Tour and Shows; Co-Sponsored By: East Contra Costa County Rotary Clubs and Los Medanos College Foundation. Proceeds benefit classroom improvements. Contact Nancy Chinn (925) 439-2181 Ext. 3213.

Sunshine Committee

Help the Club send good will wishes and sup-

port for Rotarians and spouses recovering from surgery or experiencing prolonged illness. Contact **Milt Smith**.

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.

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.