

# **Upcoming** Events

Oct 21-22, District 5160 "Cave Man and Rain Man" conference, at the Concord Hilton Hotel

# **Upcoming Meeting Programs**

Sept 13 Our annual visit to John Muir Medical Center, "The Promise of Stem Cell Research."

Sept 20 California Symphony

Sept 27 Dave Casper, "Financial Planning and Football"

Who am I? #1 Walt Youngman, #2 Carl Manna

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

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Team Captain	Charlotte Quinn
Thought/Pledge	Tom Rockwell
Guest Intro & Mic	Lu Hughes
Speaker Intro	Dick Lam
Set-Up/Take-Down	Gordon Fischer

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Anniversaries	
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Next Bulletin Editor	John McClintic

THIS PROGRAN Donna Perham & Trisha Carella, founders of "The Creek" a new non-profit middle school youth center

Next Tues Sept 13 Annual Rotary Meeting at John Muir Medical Center

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## CLUB NO. 465 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 5160

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Tues Sept 13--Annual Rotary Meeting at John Muir Medical Center, Next week's meeting is at John Muir Medical Center at noon. The speaker will be Karl Weisgraber, who will speak on "The Promise of Stem Cell Research." The Sunrise Rotary Club will be joining with us.

#### GSE Team (Mexico) Hosts Needed

Our District is looking for Rotarians to help host members of the GSE Team from Mexico during the week of Saturday October 15<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>, the week prior to the District Conference. We have been asked to host one of the team members Hosting involves provision of some but not all meals, lodging, some transportation and perhaps some sightseeing. It will be helpful if the host speaks some Spanish. Please see **Paul Fisher** if you can help.

#### Recognitions

**Carl Manna** read a letter of thanks to the Club from, Kelly Cramer, the student we sponsored for Camp Venture this summer.

New Member, **Cristy DeVoe**, is going as a volunteer on the Rotoplast trip to Vietnam.

**Gill Bordenave** had a nice article and picture featuring his year as Club president, and he was proudly wearing his Rotary pin so Pres Oscar didn't charge him the usual recognition fee.

Thanks to **Mitch Ambro** and to **Gill Bordenave** for donating 49er and Cal football game tickets, that were acquired by Club members **Dick Lane, John McClintic, and Carl Manna** with nice donations to the Foundation.

Randy Walker inadvertently added "movie stuntman" to his list of credits while unfortunately breaking two bones in his hand during a stampede into a building at a recent shoot. Randy's cast has to be seen to be fully appreciated. As Randy puts it, he is now "well equipped" to give the middle finger salute to fellow drivers on Ygnacio Valley Road.

**Rod Uffindell** made a nice contribution to the Community Foundation in honor of his daughter's wedding.

**Bruce Johnson** enjoyed a trip to NYC for his niece's wedding, followed by a pleasure trip to London, and then a charity trip to Tijuana where he and his wife did volunteer work in a health care center for children

Walt Youngman had a "hole in one" on a 156 yard par 3 hole in Lake Tahoe.

I-House Agricultural Tour and Picnic Dinner, Saturday October 8th

We are adding a picnic dinner for all Club members/families after this year's agricultural tour for international graduate students at Cal. This is one of the oldest community programs sponsored by our club, dating back to the days when our county was covered with farms and other agricultural attractions. There are a few working farms, and several vineyards, still operating and this gives international students a chance to see America's farmland. The dinner will be from 4:30pm to 6:30pm at a location to be announced. Signup with **Phil Eyring or Gill Bordenave.** 

District 5160 Conference "Cave Man and Rain Man" Oct 21-22, Concord Get ready for the District 5160 "Cave Man and Rain Man" conference, t be held the weekend of October 21 and 22 at the Concord Hilton Hotel. The early registration date has been extended through the end of July. The cost to register before August is \$75. The Club has agreed to cover the reduced \$60 fee for all new Rotarians in the Club (those with less than 6 months in Rotary). Cost of the meal package for the conference is \$100 per person....and includes Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, Saturday lunch, and Saturday dinner.

So who should go? Well, really all Rotarians should but we would especially like to see:

- All new Rotarians in our club. Remember attending a District Conference is one of the red to blue badge requirements and this one is close to home... just over in Concord at the Hilton hotel!
- All members of the board should be going.
- All team leaders. Lead your team by example.

Remember attending a conference: counts as two meetings for make up purposes, satisfies a requirement on the road from red badge to blue, is close and convenient this year, and is just plain fun so we really encourage all new members to sign up!

Sign up with **Clint Collier** so we know who is going and he will give you an application form to fill out and send in. He can also provide further details on the event if you have questions.

Paul Harris Society Inaugural Gala Dinner, Sat November 11th

Mark you calendars to attend the inaugural gala dinner celebrating the formation of the new "Paul Harris Society". Members of the society will commit to donating \$1,000 per year to the Rotary International foundation. This significant increase from the "Sustaining Membership" target of \$100 per Rotarian per year recognizes that the tremendous increase in the cost of living that has occurred since the Sustaining Member program was introduced over 20 years ago. Members who are fortunate enough to have the financial resources to do so are encouraged to give serious consideration to making this increased level of commitment, to support the fabulous programs and activities funded through RI worldwide.

#### Wheelchair Foundation Trip to Costa Rica, November 9-13

The Wheelchair Foundation, in partnership with Howard Tours, offers a group-travel experience to deliver wheelchairs to those who lack mobility in coordination with the Rotary Clubs in the San Jose, Costa Rica area. Cost for 5 Days with airfare from Houston, \$1,725. Contact Howard Tours, Tel: 800-475-2260, Fax: 510-834-1019, www.HowardTours.net.

#### Who Am I?

Each week, this feature will provide some clues about the background of one of our Rotarians. The Members and guests are challenged to guess the name of the featured Rotarian. Answers will be provided in tiny print on the back page.

"Rotarian #1 says that his favorite Rotary activity is the fun and fellowship among the Club members at the weekly meetings. He loves to vacation in Lake Tahoe with his wife, kids, and grandkids, and is an avid racquetball player (2-3 times a week for 27 years). Besides being a past president of our Club, he also is a past-president of the American Association of

Attorney-Certified Public Accountants and practices as a tax attorney. Who am I?"

"Rotarian #2 loves the Fishing in the City, Camp Venture, and Camp Royale programs where Rotarians work directly with youth in our community. He has served as a director of the Club, and is currently on the board of trustees for the Community Foundation. He likes Rotary because of its self-less dedication to doing good in the world. When he can get a moment or two of free time from his active involvement raising his children, he plays "bocce" ball on a team that he organized with some friends and clients a couple of years ago, and he also plays golf. He has worked as an investment

business since graduating from Pace University in NYC almost 20 years ago, and enjoys providing comprehensive wealth management services to his clients. Who am I?"

#### Set Your E-Mail Settings to Allow Email from rotarywc.org

We have noticed that many corporate email systems, and some private systems, have increased their restrictions on in-bound email messages. While this helps cut down on SPAM, it also can block "friendly" messages. Please tell your email administrator to allow email coming from our rotarywc.org domain, or at least from "wcclub@rotarywc.org". Please note that the wcclub@rotarywc.org address is a new "Club-wide" email address, and replaces the "allmembers" address which was taken over by evil spammers.

#### New and Proposed Members

Please welcome our recently inducted new members, Cleve Masten, of Accountants Plus, membership classification "Staffing – Employment" Cathy Durfee, Greater Bay Bank, Classification "Banking – Commercial, Evelyn Ponce, Mechanics Bank, "Banking—Management", Renee Hamilton, Classification "Assisted Living", Cristy DeVoe, Sierra Surgery Center, classification "Medical – Nurse", Richard Lam, classification "Attorney-Tax", Bert Payne of Starcare International, Inc., healthcare consultant, and Mitch Ambro, The Mortgage Practice, mortgage broker.

### Invite a Friend or Associate to Try Rotary

Members are urged to invite their friends and associates to a Rotary luncheon or Rotary event. If your guest has an interest in joining our Club or receiving more information, have them either contact Pamela Raumer at 925-274-5740 or praumer@rina.com or better yet, introduce them to Pamela and she will make sure that they receive the Rotary information packet. There is an inventory of Rotary information and applications at our registration desk at our Tuesday meetings - see Hari or Quentin.

# Sunshine Committee—Chairman Now Lee Schneider

Help the Club send good will wishes and support for Rotarians and spouses recovering from surgery or experiencing prolonged illness. Contact **Lee Schneider**.

## Get Your Rotary Announcements in the Bulletin:

Our regular publishing deadline is Sunday night. You can phone your bulletin announcements to John Mc-Clintic by 9:00pm on Sunday to be sure to be included. Call John at 930-7352 and leave your message on the an-