



Rotary Club Of Walnut Creek
P.O. Box 4191
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Upcoming Events

- Oct 8th I-House Agriculture Tour, Picnic Dinner follows from 4:30pm to 6:30pm.
- Oct 21-22, District 5160 "Cave Man and Rain Man" conference, at the Concord Hilton Hotel

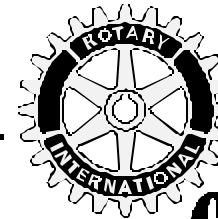
Who am I? #1 Sabine Webb, #2 Wolfgang Heinritz

Upcoming Meeting Programs

- Oct 4 Diane and John Kopchik -- "The Walnut Creek Library, It's Our Turn"
- Oct 11 Carl Manna -- Update on Camp Royal and Camp Venture with visitors
- Oct 18 George Counelis, MD -- Blacked out due to District Conference
- Oct 25 Leslie Canada, our 2005 Kohoku Exchange Student, Reports on Her Trip

Who am I? #1 Gill Bordenave, #2 Clint Collier (our president-elect)

*For the latest "scoop" on upcoming meeting programs, visit our website and click on the link on the home page:
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This Week's Worker Bees

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| Presiding | Oscar Wu | Ticket Sales..... | Sal Flavetta |
| Director..... | Gordon Fischer | Birthdays..... | |
| Team Captain | Charlotte Quinn | Anniversaries..... | |
| Thought/Pledge..... | Charlotte Quinn | Song Leader..... | Doug Goodrich |
| Guest Intro & Mic..... | Gordon Fischer | Bulletin Editor..... | John McClintic |
| Speaker Intro..... | Dick Mortensen | Next Bulletin Editor.... | John McClintic |
| Set-Up/Take-Down..... | Sal Flavetta | | |

THIS PROGRAM

Dave Casper, "Financial Planning and Football"

Recognitions

Tom Rockwell achieved his seventh Paul Harris Fellow recognition.

Pres Oscar won the raffle on the last day.

Members at the back table looked under their seats for a surprise -- a post-it with a donation amount. **Doug Goodrich** -- sitting alone at the front table found a voucher for one raffle ticket.

Rod Uffindell was recognized for being in an alarm-industry newsletter, announcing that he will be receiving an award in December.

Barry Slavin was in the paper on September 8th. ...a little article about volunteerism in the city.

Jack Matkin: Took a trip to Hawaii to visit his two children that live there, and was

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

surprised with a 45-year wedding vow renewal ceremony on the beach.

Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following Rotarians celebrating wedding anniversaries in September: **Mike DeMeo, Larry Henson, Bob Ayers, Frank Suess, Oscar Wu, Jack Fischer, Bob Schroder, Bill Hourihan, Steven Decesaris.**

I-House Agricultural Tour and FREE 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. Sign up with **Phil Eyring or Gill Bordenave. The picnic is free, but we need you to sign-up so we can make appropriate plans.**

WC Fountain for Youth Golf Tourney at Boundary Oak, Monday, Oct 10th

We invite all Rotarian golfers (and their friends) to sign up again for the Fountain for Youth Golf Tourney at Boundary Oaks Mon Oct 10th. Contact Barry Slavin and he will organize us into foursomes (each foursome \$700 or \$175 each). Registration at 10:45 golf at 12:30 with refreshments, carts, golf and buffet dinner. The Fountain for Youth helps underwrite youth programs in our area and has recently helped initiate the LPGA program for girls that has gone from 16 to 50 signups and provides a great introduction to golf to match the already successful boys program at Boundary.

GSE Team (Mexico) Hosts Needed—October 15th to 22nd

Our District is looking for Rotarians to help host members of the GSE Team from Mexico during the week of Saturday October 15th to the 22nd, 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.

District 5160 Conference "Cave Man and Rain Man" Oct 21-22, Concord

Get ready for the District 5160 "Cave Man and Rain Man" conference, to 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 your 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.

Crab Feed 2006—Saturday February 4th at Concord Centre

This year's crab feed fundraiser will be Saturday, February 4th, at Centre Concord, the same location as prior years. This is our major fund-raiser for the Community Foundation.

There will be some changes this year -- a change in our traditional pasta dish. There will also be an alternative dish for those who do not eat crab -- chicken. When you buy your ticket, let the seller know that you want chicken. You can also specify chicken later. As usual, there will still be a live and silent auction. Club members, either by themselves or through personal or business contacts will donate all items for the event. Each team is being asked to provide at least one item for the live auction. We are getting an earlier start this year, thanks to our eager President-elect and Crab Feed organizer, Clint Collier.

There will be two barrels of wine -- one auctioned off and one raffled. Each Rotarian in the club is asked to donate two bottles of PREMIUM wine, so start rounding up your choice selections to donate.

Tickets will go on sale around the first of next month. Tickets will cost \$40 each. You can also buy a table of 10 for \$400. If you buy a table, that table will be reserved for you in your or your company's name.

New members are encouraged to get involved. We need members to participate on the various Crab Feed committees.

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 is a past president of our Club, who lists planting oak trees at the entrance to Castle Rock Park as one of his favorite Rotary service projects. He enjoys the friendships he has made within the Club, and having instant Rotary friends anywhere in the world that travels. He has traveled in the past 10 years (along with wife Judy or other family members) to Germany, Ireland, Austria, Japan (Rotary

Convention and touring), England, Scotland and Canada. He takes pride in Rotary's international projects like Roto-plast where volunteers perform life-changing surgeries for disadvantaged around the world. The "delight of my life is to take someone to Yosemite who has never been there." A real adventurer, he has been on top of Half Dome four times and has a picture of Yosemite Fall going through his legs over the edge of the falls (his high school buddy was holding on to his belt at the time). He enjoys photography and training his dog Cassi. He is now living it up as an avid Cal Bear fan. He also maintains his active real estate broker and property manager career with RE/MAX C.C. Connection."

"Rotarian #2 has been a director and officer of the Club, and loves the Crab Feed and the many social and fellowship activities available through Rotary. He notes that one of the best things about Rotary is the people that his able to meet. He lists sailing, maritime history, and computers, and is a member of 3 Rotary fellowships "Scouting", "Yachting", and "Computer Users." Besides his community service for Rotary, he served previously as an active volunteer with the Boy Scouts. His career field services include mainframe computer support and "computer information by design."

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New and Proposed Members

#1 Bob Romero has been proposed for membership, sponsored by Bert Payne. Bob's business is Great Clips, 1833 Ygnacio Valley Rd, Walnut Creek, CA 94598, Tel: 925-943-2261, Fax: 925-943-2261, e-mail: girca@aol.com, and Bob is proposed for the classification: Haircut Salons. Please send comments to Hari Boukis, Club Secretary. #2: David Hanks, w/ Peregrine Lending Corp, Walnut Creek, classification: Lending - Residential and commercial.

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**