

# **Upcoming Events**

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

# **Upcoming Meeting Programs**

2005-10-18 -- Blacked out due to District Conference

2005-10-25 Leslie Canada -- My experience as a Kohoko Rotary Exchange Student

2005-11-01 Linda Zamfino, Public Affairs Specialist --Recent Developments in the Social Security Debate

2005-11-08 Bud Mackenzie -- "Trust in Education" Update on Schools Project in Afghanistan

2005-11-15 Lee Sankowitz, Resident Director Scott Dennison, Business Manager, Center REPertory Co. --Center REPertory Theatre on the Brink of Forty Years

2005-11-22 Kevin Sanchez -- The Trip Up Kilamanjaro to Celebrate the Big Four Ooh

2005-11-29? -- Possible Foundation Program or "Gravity Powered Sports"

For the latest "scoop" on upcoming meeting programs, visit our website and click on the link on the home page: www.rotarywc.org

## ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK

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Update on Camp Royale and Camp Venture"

# Memorial Service for Larry Palmieri:

2pm this Sunday, October 16th in the Lakeside room at Heather Farms Park

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Recognitions

Lu Hughes recently enjoyed a Mediterranean cruise.

#### Directors and Officers Approved for 2006-2007

New Directors 2006-2008: Charlotte Quinn, Bob Morgan, Renee Hamilton

Continuing Directors 2005-2007: Andy Halperin, Tom Noble. Milt Smith

Officers: Secretary, Hari Boukis; Attendance Sectretary Ouent Alexander:

External Secretary Layton Hanson; Treasurer--pending President 2006-2007 Clint Collier

President-elect (to serve as Pres 2007-2008): Pam Raumer

Thank you to the nominating committee and the nowelected nominees for agreeing to serve.

District 5160 Conference "Cave Man and Rain Man" Oct 21-22, Concord There are some new options for the District Conference next weekend:

One Day Registration; one Meal registration option. For those of you who only can attend one of the days, you can register for one day for \$50. Designate which day on your reg form. You also can purchase individual meals, rather than the full conference package. Costs by the meal are: Dinner Friday or Saturday \$45 each; Breakfast Saturday \$25; Lunch Saturday \$25. Designate which meals you are purchasing on the reg form.

Change your mind about meals? If Rotarians (or sparkles) have decided to come at the last minute, you can add another meal selection by buying an individual meal ticket on site. If you already have registered, but have changed plans and can now attend only one day and wish to adjust registration/meals, these will be dealt with on an individual basis at the conference.

Education Forums: Friday afternoon 2 pm - 3 pm: "So this is Polio!!" and 2 pm - 3:30 pm "Foundation Programs & Processing."

<u>Tables for "No Meals" attenders at meal time presenta-</u> <u>tions</u>. Several Rotarians have registered for the District Conference but are not eating at the meals. There will be separate tables set up, identified, for those who are not eating but want to be at the presentations at breakfast, lunch, or dinner. We will try to have them marked with special tablecloths and there will be no table set ups at those tables.

Hilton Rooms going fast. We have already had almost twice the number of rooms reserved as those for which we committed. The Hilton is sold out earlier in the week but still has a few rooms available at the special Conference rate for folks attending our District Meeting on Friday and Saturday. Call the special Concord Hilton number to make your reservations immediately (925) 827-2000.

<u>Special Meal Saturday Noon to benefit Food Bank.</u> Our Saturday noon meal will be modest - - and will include a special service project to benefit Food Banks here and in the Katrina Relief area. Be there to see what a difference YOU can make.

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!

See Clint Collier 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.

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:

#### Meet New Member: Cleve Maston

Cleve is a recruiter with Accountants Plus. He grew up in Central Illinois on an 1100 acre farm which raised 3000 hogs. His grandfather was a cattle rancher. He and his family left farming and moved to Walnut Creek when he was a junior in high school. He started at Northgate (and had some rough times socially as a "farm boy") and then moved to Contra Costa Christian High for his senior year. He obtained college degrees in Theology and Psychology, and became an analyst for Mattel. He and his wife then went on a three-year ministry to the Philippines, returning to the US in 2001. He remains active as a youth and college minister at his church in Dublin. Cleve found that one big difference between living in the mid-west and living in California is that in our area families tend to be more spread out and there is less opportunity to "pass wisdom down from generation to generation." He likes Rotary and our Club in particular because of the wide range of generations who are active and involved and who can share their experiences and wisdom together.

#### 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

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.

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**

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.