

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

Upcoming Meetings:

Dec 19 No Meeting. Attend the Holiday Party December 17th.

Dec 26 No Meeting

Upcoming Events:

Dec 17 Our Annual Club Holiday Party. Tickets are on sale now, \$40.00 per person, see Bob Morgan

Jan 21 2007 Annual Reno Train Trip. See Randy Walker or Fletcher Tyler for late sign up opportunities.

Feb 3 2007 Crab Feed Fundraiser

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

People In Charge this Week

Presiding	Clint Collier	Thought/PledgeTom Grimm
Director	Tom Noble	Song Leader
Геат Captain	Bob Morgan	Guest Intro & MicAllen Wesdorf
Meeting Setup	Mark Sanford	Birthdays
Greeter	Adrian Mendes	AnniversariesEarl Wightman
Γicket Sales	Mitch Ambro	Speaker Intro

Today's Program:

This Week: Las Lomas High School Choir

Notices:

Holiday Party, Sunday, December 17th, Shadelands Arts Center

Next Meeting: Tuesday January 2nd

CLUB NO. 465 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 5160

Chartered April 7, 1937

William B Boyd International President

Lead The Way

Candy Pierce District Governor

Stan Smalley
District
Governor Elect

Clint Collier President

Pam Raumer President-Elect

Oscar Wu Immediate Past President

> Hari Boukis Secretary

Quentin Alexander Attendance Secretary

> Cathy Durfee Treasurer

Mitch Ambro Sergeant At Arms

John Gardner Jack Fischer New Member Coord.

> Hari Boukis Webmaster

John McClintic Bulletin Editor

Directors 2005-2007 Andy Halperin Milt Smith Tom Noble 2006-2008 Charlotte Quinn Nestor Karas Lu Hughes

Trustees
Oscar Wu
Clint Collier
Pam Raumer
Russ Anderson
Bob Morgan
Tom Rockwell
Gordon Fischer
Charlotte Quinn
John Milsap
Gill Bordenave
Carl Manna
Jesse Smyers

Announcements:

Holiday Party, This Sunday December 17th, Shadelands Arts Center

Our annual holiday party will be held Sunday, December 17th starting at 6pm, at the Shadelands Arts Center, 111 North Wiget Lane, Walnut Creek, CA. 94598. All Rotarians/spouses are invited to attend. To help with the event, see **Jim Campana** 935-0545 jimc@rotarywc.org. **Tickets are on sale now, \$40.00 per person, see Bob Morgan** 935-0911 x204. **This event replaces our meeting for December 19th**.

Be Sure to Wear your 24/7 pin to the Holiday Party!

President Clint has asked all members to wear their "be a Rotarian 24/7" pin to our annual holiday party. If you haven't gotten one or have misplaced yours a quick visit with the Sergeant at Arms with 5 reindeer (make sure they're bucks) will get you a new pin.

Rumor is that Santa or a close facsimile will be at the party, making a list and checking it twice, and that the cost of these "collector edition" pins will be going up after the first of the year.

Mid-term Message from President Clint:

"Today is our last meeting of 2006 and marks the half way point of my presidency. Consequently, I thought it appropriate to convey my best wishes to each of you and again thank you for entrusting me with a position in our Club that is so important."

"Lately it has become unfashionable for those in the public service or who have the responsibility of representing a diverse group to publicly recognize the origin of the season many of us are celebrating. I was listening to a program discussing this a few days ago and the speaker made a very important point. An expression or wish expresses the hopes, good wishes, and feelings of the person giving it, not necessarily of the person receiving it. When I wish you a happy birthday, even through you have ceased celebrating them, it does not impart ill will; only that I have chosen to recognize you and greet you with my warm wishes because birthdays, to me, are still worth celebrating."

"Our club has members of many faiths and backgrounds and as your president I am proud to represent

you as a part of an organization that unites people of disparate backgrounds and beliefs in one organization that does so much good here in our community, in our country and around the world. Each of us should be justifiably proud of what Rotary does and the multitude of friendships it brings to us."

"As we close out the year I and my wife, Bev, want to send you and your families our warmest wishes and thanks for being part of our lives by wishing you what, to us, represents the warmest greeting we can offer at this time of year... a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."



Kohoku Exchange Student Applicants Wanted

The Club is trying to line up interviews during the holiday break with college students interested in representing the Club in the Kohoku Exchange program during the summer of 2007. See **Cathy Durfee** 707-745-1581 or 925-979-7203, cathyd@rotarywc.org.

Rotary International President's Dinner Saturday, January 3rd, Santa Clara Marriott

Rotary International President Bill Boyd will be the featured speaker at the annual President's Dinner on Saturday January 3rd at the Santa Clara Marriott. We are organizing a group to attend. Watch for more details.

Reno Train Trip January 21-22, 2007

We have 16 Club members already signed up with deposits paid for the annual Reno train trip with Rotarians from the entire Bay area. Limited space may still be available but you need to contact **Randy Walker or Fletcher Tyler** right away to get yourself a spot.

Crab Feed Fundraiser, Saturday Night, February 3, 2007, Centre Concord

A Special Inspirational Message from Pam Raumer:

"As you are all aware, the ninth annual Rotary Crab Feed is our major fundraiser for the year. Although we have chair persons for the silent and live auction, it is all our responsibility to assist with the success of this fundraiser. I am asking all of you to step up to the plate, and either donate something for these auctions, and/ or ask a neighbor, vendor, associate, friend, family member, etc to donate an item for these auctions. To set the example, I have bought a table of 10, my company is a corporate sponsor, and I am donating a Hornblower Yacht Dinner Dance Cruise for two for the silent auction. I am working on donating something for the live auction as well. The proceeds from the Crab Feed benefit so many worthy projects and causes and I would like to continue to be able to do so. Thanking you all in advance and hoping that you all have a safe and happy holiday!"

Here's who to contact to help out:

- 1) We need silent auction items at least 65 items Lu Hughes 939-4093 <u>luh@rotarywc.org</u> and Oscar Wu 943-3208 <u>oscarw@rotarywc.org</u> are in charge of these.
- 2) We need live auction items 12 to 15. These start at a value of \$300. **Mitch Ambro** mitchella@rotarywc.org 209-838-2927 and **Mike Kilzer** mikek@rotarywc.org 925-609-6525 are in charge of these.
- 3) We need volunteers to assist with Check-Out at the event. **Layton Hansen** 686-5148 <u>laytonh@rotarywc.org</u> is assisting with this.
- 4) Everyone needs to donate 2 bottles of premium wine worth between \$20 and \$25 each **Gordon Fischer** 820-0727 gordonf@rotarywc.org is collecting them for the wine barrel.
- 5) We are looking for corporate sponsors \$700. **Milt Smith** 280-0328 milts@rotarywc.org and **Karen Horrigan** 943-7454 karenh@rotarywc.org are in charge of this. See them for details about the benefits of being a Sponsor. Pam's firm, RINA, is a sponsor again this year!
- 6) We need 4 spotters for the event **Mike Kilzer and Mitch Ambro** have volunteered We need two more volunteers.
- 7) Everyone needs to buy tickets. See **Bob Romero** 457-4251 cell or **Tom Noble** 933-3166 tomn@rotarywc.org.

Show that Rotary Pride—Wear Your Rotary Pins 24/7

Don't keep Rotary a secret. Spread the word by wearing your favorite Rotary pin 24/7. We have lots of styles and sizes. Pres Clint is ruthless and relentless on this issue. Avoid a \$15 recognition fee for being caught naked without your pin.

District Fundraiser -- Raffle

Buy 5 raffle tickets for our annual District 5160 fundraiser. Not only will you have a chance to win fabulous trips and other prizes, you also be credited with having met you Paul Harris Sustaining Membership contribution for the year. Please see **Rem Bernard** 925-939-6209, remb@rotarywc.org.

-- Family Fun at Western Railway Museum, May 5th

Mark your calendars for this family-oriented event for Rotarians and their families. This will be a day of fun at the Western Railway Museum located on Highway 12 between Fairfield and Rio Vista. The event includes a BBQ, train rides, silent auction, music, and fellowship. Information to follow at www.rotary5160.org.

-- Sundial Bridge Dinner Dance, Redding, June 30th

Mark your calendars for this "adult-oriented" dinner dance will ring out the old Rotary year and ring in the new. Experience the magic as the sun sets on one end of the bridge and the moon rises on the other. Information to follow at www.rotary5160.org.

New Members

Please welcome new members **Joe Stein**, Classification--Restaurant, **Karen Horrigan**, Classification--Promotional Products, **Ron Huppert**, Classification--Insurance, **Louis Ramirez-Agudelo**, Classification--Real Estate, and **Neeru Bhutani**, Classification--Financial Planning.