



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

Saturday, Feb 4th, Crab Feed 2006. Our annual fundraiser.

Upcoming Meeting Programs

2006-01-10 Julia Sandstrom -- KTVU Meteorologist

2006-05-02 Anne Cain -- Why the State Library Bond Measure is Critical for Walnut Creek

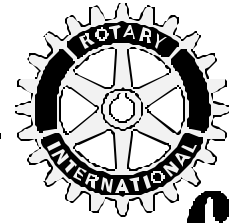
2006-05-09 Steve Cutright -- Gravity Powered Fun

2006-05-16 Carrie Lederer -- Experience Art at the Bedford

2006-05-23 Valerie Baroni -- How Smart is Smart Growth?

2006-05-30 Gene Farley ? -- What Do the Friends of Civic Arts Education Do?

*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

PresidingOscar Wu
 Director.....John Milsap
 Team CaptainValerie Ridgers
 Thought/Pledge.....Russ Anderson
 Guest Intro & Mic.....Jesse Smyers
 Speaker Intro.....Valerie Ridgers
 Set-Up/Take-Down.....Randy Walker

Ticket Sales.....Jesse Smyers
 Birthdays.....
 Anniversaries..... Quent Alexander
 Song Leader..... Doug Goodrich
 Bulletin Editor..... John McClintic
 Next Bulletin Editor.... John McClintic

THIS PROGRAM

Julia Sandstrom, Meteorologist KTVU 2 News

In Memoriam, Bill Hourihan

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Memoriam, Bill Hourihan

We sadly report the death last Wednesday of our dear friend and long-time Club member, **Bill Hourihan**. The following is from the Contra Costa Times:

“William Davis Hourihan May 30, 1928 - Jan. 4, 2006 Bill Hourihan, age 77, passed away at John Muir Medical Center of cardiac arrest. He is survived by his wife, Mitsue ("Mikko") Hourihan; son, Timothy; daughter, Jenny; son-in-law, John Bailin; and their daughters, Nora and Rachel. Born in Detroit, MI, Bill graduated in 1951 from Michigan State University. He served from 1951-56 in the US Army, with honorable discharge as a Lieutenant. He lived from 1958-89 with his family and first wife, Doris Kolasheski Hourihan, and then Mikko. Bill worked in the pharmaceutical industry in Asia for various companies, retiring from A.H. Robins Company as Vice President, Pacific Region in 1989. Bill was an avid outdoorsman, deep sea and trout fisherman, and was passionately involved in Rotary International in Manila and Walnut Creek, and various other charities. His strong sense of humor, generosity and skills as a raconteur will be sorely missed by his many friends around the world. Memorial services will be held later this year. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to the Walnut Creek Rotary Club Community Foundation Endowment Fund, PO Box 4191, Walnut Creek, CA 94596. Published in the Contra Costa Times on 1/8/2006.”

The family will advise us of the future memorial service plans when they are arranged.

Fundraiser--Reverse Draw Board Space Sale Starts Today

Layton Hanson will preside over this year's reverse draw fundraiser board. Today's draw number ordering procedure will be done in order of yellow meal ticket numbers.

Take your yellow meal ticket with you to your table today (if you dumped it in the bucket, go back and get it...) Members will be allowed to choose their reverse draw numbers in the order of their meal ticket.

The reverse draw will be held in a couple of weeks, so there is time to get your space(s) on the board.

Crab Feed 2006—Saturday February 4th at Concord Centre

There are only TWO more Club meetings before the Crab Feed.

We need everyone to do the following:

- Purchase at least 4 tickets; bring your family and friends.
- Donate an item, through your team, for the Silent Auction.
- Help your team develop at least one item for the Live Auction.
- Donate 2 bottles of wine for the Wine Barrels (no two-buck-chuck please!).

This year's crab feed fundraiser will be Saturday, February 4th, at Centre Concord, the same location as prior years. Our master of ceremonies will be Dan Ashley of Channel 7 news. This is our major fundraiser for the Community Foundation.

Buy your tickets now. See **Mitch Ambro**. Buy a table of ten and reserve an entire table for your group. Buy less than 10 and buy a sponsorship for a table and you can select your seating location.

Chicken Feed: If you want to eat chicken at the Crab Feed (instead of just crab) you need to get a “chicken chit” at the time you buy your ticket.

We need volunteers for the following committees. Contact the listed Rotarian to help out.

- Silent Auction – Lu Hughes
- Live Auction – Bob Morgan
- Reverse Draw – Layton Hansen
- Greeting and Check In – Bruce Johnson
- Drink Service – Andy Halprin
- Kitchen – Pam Raumer **Please contact Pam if you can help in the kitchen.**
- Raffle – Lance Mendes
- Wine Barrels – Gordon Fischer
- Cleanup – Clive Masten **Cleve needs a few more volunteers. Please help out.**

Recognitions

Thanks to **Hari Boukis** for hosting non-profit org websites for free. **Clint Collier** passed along his thanks on behalf of the SF Fleet of Rotary Mariners. Clint also passed along a \$100 donation to the Community Foundation from the group.

Bert Payne's wife bought a new Honda Sienna. Bert paid the

recognition, so I hope he gets a turn at the wheel from time to time.

Thanks to **Pam Raumer, Randy Walker, Andy Halperin, Oscar and Tessie Wu**, and the other Club members and spouses who did a great job organizing our annual holiday party.

Afghanistan Education Trust Fundraiser, Fri Jan 13 or Sat night Jan 14

Comedian Mark Lundholm comes to Lafayette this Friday and Saturday night for two performances to raise funds for the Trust in Education project which benefits education in Afghanistan. The performances are at 8pm at the Acalanes High School Performing Arts Center, 1200 Pleasant Hill Road, Lafayette. \$25 adults, \$15 students (recommended for high school or older). For info call 925-299-2010 or go to www.trustededucation.org.

Projects Wanted

The Board is looking for some “Hands-on” community service projects that could use our help. The Heather Farms bridge project has had some delays, so this is an opportunity to look at other projects which could use our immediate assistance. While it is easy for us to donate funds, part of our service to the community is getting personally involved. In past years, we have planted trees, did landscaping and funded the Civic Park Gazebo, and successfully completed the Assistance League project of constructing a new storage area. Please submit your ideas to Community Service Chairman, **Remsen Barnard**, or to any of the Board members.

Masters Swim Fundraiser Project Report

Jesse Smyers reports that he and 70 others from the Walnut Creek Masters team swam for Malaria on December 3. We raised over \$650 from the Masters team members and our Rotary club pledged another \$1600! This money will go to buy mosquito nets which can save some of the 3,000 children who die each day due to this disease. If you have not paid your pledge, please see Jesse right away. Thanks to Jesse and all the donors who helped with this great project.

Reno Train Trip 2006—January 22-23

There may be some room for a few more Rotarians to squeeze on to the 2006 Reno Train Trip. See **Fletcher Tyler** and **Randy Walker**. \$240 single, \$220 double occupancy. This is

a fabulous ride through the snow-covered Sierras, with lots of fun in Reno before the trip back. The trip is open to Rotarians only.

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 inbound 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.

Meet New Member Bob Romero

Bob Romero introduced himself to the Club. Bob was born in El Salvador, and immigrated to the US as a child. In the early 1960s he served in the military police. He has traveled all over the world, and has spent the last several years in semi-retirement assisting his wife's “Grapeleaves” franchise.

Bob enjoys volunteering with the local Meals on Wheels program, and is working to sign up Club members and others to join with him. The goal is to partner up the volunteers so that we can cover a one week assignment every several weeks, with only a one-day commitment for each partner group. See Bob if you are interested in signing up or would like more information.

New Members

Mike Kilzer, of HUB International Insurance Securities of California, Pleasant Hill, is proposed in the classification “Insurance—Securities.” Please provide comments to the Club Secretary.

Please welcome our recently inducted new members, **David Hanks**, of Peregrine Lending Corporation, in the classification “Lending—Residential and Commercial”, **Bob Romero**, of Great Clips, membership classification “Haircut Salons”; **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”, **Christy DeVoe**, Sierra Surgery Center, classification “Medical – Nurse”, **Dick 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