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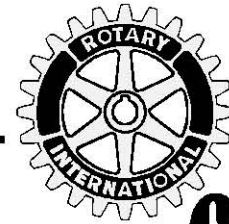
Upcoming Meetings:

- 2007-03-06** Erik London -- Bureau of Auto-motive Repair
- 2007-03-13** James Hale -- Wildlife expert for Contra Costa
- 2007-03-20** Bud Wolf -- Tentative - Child Abuse Prevention
- 2007-03-27** Jack Roddy -- Rodeo Show for IHOUSE students

Upcoming Events:

- May 5th**. District 5160 Family Fun Day and BBQ at Western Railway Museum
- June 30th**, District 5160 Sundial Bridge Dinner Dance, Redding
- Feb 2, 2008.** Rotary Club of Walnut Creek 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



The Walnut Leaf

ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK

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People In Charge this Week

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| Presiding | Clint Collier | Thought/Pledge..... | Bob Travale |
| Director..... | Andy Halperin | Song Leader..... | |
| Team Captain | Jerry Benoit | Guest Intro & Mic..... | Andy Halperin |
| Meeting Setup..... | Russ Anderson | Birthdays..... | Jack Matkin |
| Greeter..... | Bob Romero | Anniversaries..... | |
| Ticket Sales..... | Layton Hansen | Speaker Intro..... | Louis Ramirez-Aquelo |
| | | Meeting Take-Down..... | Joe Stein |

Today's Program:

Our Speaker, Susan Prather

Since 1999, Susan has been the Executive Director of Fresh Start, an organization that serves those among the working poor and homeless and those at risk of homelessness. This unique organization was facilitated by the City of Walnut Creek until mid-2002, which is when Fresh Start became a private non-profit. Fresh Start is a highly lauded organization, commenced, developed, and managed by Susan, who is the only paid staff.

Notices:

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

**CLUB NO. 465
 ROTARY
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 DISTRICT 5160**

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Lead The Way

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Announcements:

Our speaker Susan Prather ...(continued from front)...

Prior to the advent of Fresh Start, Susan, at her own expense, advocated vigorously for the rights of the homeless and others in Contra Costa. The California State Assembly in a 1994 resolution recognized her tireless efforts. In the spring of 2001 Susan received the "For People Who Care" award from the Contra Costa Continuum of Care Board. In Spring 2002 she was presented with the "Women Working for Justice" award by the Contra Costa County Commission for Women. In 2004 Susan received The Honorable Mention in the Contra Costa County Humanitarian of the Year award ceremony, honoring individuals for work performed in the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Also in 2004, the Walnut Creek Journal named Susan Prather one of "Six People Who Made Our Lives Better in 2003." In September of 2006, Susan received the Bay Area Jefferson Award, a great honor, and her life's work and Fresh Start were featured on KPIX Television News, KCBS Radio and in the San Francisco Chronicle.

Project Give a Hand

District 5160 is encouraging every Rotarian to donate a minimum of \$12.50 to Project Give a Hand which furnishes \$50 prosthetic hands to amputees in Vietnam, Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzania. We had a great presentation about this project at our February 20th meeting. Contributions can be made payable to our Rotary Club Community Foundation. For more information about the project, go to www.LN-4.org. You also can

donate directly through the website.

Fishing in the City

The tentative date for this year's Fishing in the City outing with Walnut Creek 4th grade students at Heather Farms Park is Saturday, April 14th. The in-class sessions are tentatively scheduled for April 11-12. **John Gardner**, john@rotarywc.org 925-944-0270 is organizing this event again this year. More details will follow in coming weeks.

Rotary International Convention—Salt Lake City, Utah June 17-20, 2007

Experience the energy of thousands of fellow Rotarians from around the world at daily plenary sessions at the Salt Palace Convention Center. This year's program promises sensational entertainment, stirring speeches, and inspirational opening and closing ceremonies, including a performance by renowned New Zealand opera singer Dame Malvina Major. For reservation and registration information, go to <http://www.rotary.org/events/conventions/2007/how-to-register.html>

Rotary Poker Tournament, Sat May 19th, Martinez

See **Mitch Ambro** (866) 842-1420 mitcha@rotarywc.org if you want to participate in a Rotary poker tournament on Sat May 19th in Martinez. \$100 entry fee. We can send 15 participants.

Recognitions

Walt Youngman enjoyed a recent trip to Mexico.

Randy Walker enjoyed a 40th Anniversary trip to Las Vegas.

Stan Hill has a new 2006 Cadillac

Birthdays—January and February

Many happy returns of the day to the following Rotarians who celebrated birthdays in January and February: **Zak Sahar, Marty Larsen, Bruce Cockerham, Joe Stein, Frank Suess, Tony Gorkani, Oscar Wu, Mark Sanford, Bruce Johnson, Cathy Durfee, David Brilliant, Jack Matkin, Bob Morgan, Stan Hill, Clint Collier.**

Anniversaries—January and February

Congratulations to the following Rotarians who celebrated wedding anniversaries in January and February: **Tom Rockwell, Bill Larmer, Gill Bordenave, Randy Walker, Marv Epstein, Bob Johnston, Sabine Webb, Gordon Fischer.**

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 Barnard** 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, and **Louis Ramirez-Agudelo**, Classification--Real Estate.