



Rotary Club Of Walnut Creek  
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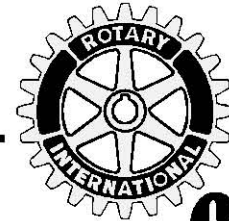
### Upcoming Meetings:

- Apr 17** Ethan Rotman, The Art of Public Speaking
- Apr 24** Ranjit Chakravorti, WCS Grants Chair for District 5160
- May 1** Jeanette Engle Ramirez, Neuroscience at John Muir Medical Center
- May 8** Carl Manna, Diabetic Youth Foundation
- May 15** Peggy White, Diablo Regional Arts Association
- May 22** Mayor Sue Rainey, State of the City of Walnut Creek
- May 29**, Susan Lynn, Project Second Chance Literacy Program

### Upcoming Events:

- May 5<sup>th</sup>**. District 5160 Family Fun Day and BBQ at Western Railway Museum
- May 19<sup>th</sup>** Casino Royale Poker Tournament and Dinner, Grace Church, Martinez. See Mitch Ambro for info.
- June 30<sup>th</sup>**, 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](http://www.rotarywc.org)



# The Walnut Leaf

## ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK

Tuesday, April 17, 2007 Volume 75 Number 35

### People In Charge this Week

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|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Presiding .....Clint Collier     | Thought/Pledge.....Pam Raumer      |
| Director.....Nestor Karas        | Song Leader.....Lu Hughes          |
| Team Captain .....Karen Horrigan | Guest Intro & Mic.....Rick Mathews |
| Meeting Setup.....Karen Horrigan | Birthdays.....                     |
| Greeter.....Karen Horrigan       | Anniversaries.....                 |
| Ticket Sales.....Nestor Karas    | Speaker Intro.....John Gardner     |
|                                  | Meeting Take-Down...Karen Horrigan |

### Today's Program:

**Ethan Rotman, “The Art of Public Speaking”**

### Song for the Day ... TBA

**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  
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John McClintic  
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Directors  
2005-2007

Andy Halperin  
Milt Smith  
Tom Noble  
2006-2008

Charlotte Quinn  
Nestor Karas  
Lu Hughes

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Clint Collier

Pam Raumer  
Russ Anderson  
Bob Morgan  
Tom Rockwell  
Gordon Fischer  
Charlotte Quinn  
John Millsap  
Gill Bordenave  
Carl Manna  
Jesse Smyers

## Announcements:

### Thanks to John Gardner and our "Fishing in the City" Volunteers

**John Gardner**, and his crew of Club volunteers including **Jesse Smyers, Andy Halperin, Layton Hansen, Jack Fischer, Carl Manna, Jerry Benoit, Sabine Webb, Mitch Ambro, and Mike Kilzer** did another great job with this event for 2007. Some of the volunteers went into the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classrooms on Wednesday and Thursday to teach fishing technique and etiquette, and the rest braved the wind and rain on Saturday morning at Heather Farms Park to give hands-on fishing help to the budding fishers. **Bob Travale** had some nice new signs made to help get some good visibility for the event and our Club. Thanks to all for another great year.

### Club Leadership Assembly, Saturday, April 28th, 8:30am - 2:30pm

**McBride Senior Center, 91 Town Square Place, Vacaville**

Club Assemblies are designed to provide a variety of Rotary information to all members of the Clubs. Since many Clubs struggle with the dissemination of Rotary information, this is a perfect opportunity for newer members to get the bigger picture of who we are and what we are capable of doing. It is important that board members for the 2007 - 2008 year attend as well as all committee chairs. They provide a continental breakfast at 8am and lunch at 12Noon. The Club pays only \$65, whether 2 Rotarians attend or 20 Rotarians attend. Contact Pam Raumer if you would like to attend!

### "Casino Royale" Rotary Poker Tournament, Sat May 19<sup>th</sup>, Martinez

Get your \$100 entry fee to **Mitch Ambro** (866) 842-1420 [mitcha@rotarywc.org](mailto:mitcha@rotarywc.org) to secure your spot in the Rotary poker tournament on Sat May 19<sup>th</sup> in Martinez. There are still some spaces left. The event will be held at Grace Church, 130 Muir Station Road, Martinez. Dinner sponsored by Sunrise Bistro is included in the entry fee. Winning pot is \$1,500! The District Governor Candy Pierce will be playing; will YOU?

### District 5160 Fundraiser -- Raffle

Remember the motto "\$100 Every Rotarian Every

Year." An easy way to fulfill your sustaining membership commitment is to 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](mailto: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](http://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](http://www.rotary5160.org).

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

Conventions are meant to "stimulate, inspire, and inform all Rotarians at an international level". You can learn about strengthening your club and identifying service and fellowship opportunities through attending a Rotary Convention - listening to speakers (Bill Gates & Hyrum Smith), participating in workshops, visiting the Club and District Project Exhibition and talking to fellow Rotarians. Experience the energy of thousands of fellow Rotarians from around the world at daily plenary sessions at the Salt Palace Convention Center. Why not plan a vacation with your own family after the convention or before? Plan to attend the world famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir performance or enjoy a real live western rodeo with bull riding, barrel racing and bronco bucking. 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 International Membership Conference August 17-18

Rotary International is holding a series of membership

promotion conferences this summer. Our local conference will be August 17-18 at the Doubletree Hotel in San Jose. Additional details will be announced at a later date.

### Yosemite Weekend Fri and Sat Sept 21-22

We are going to Yosemite again this September. See Bill Larmer and Pam Raumer for room reservations at the Wawona Hotel. Friday night features pot-luck appetizers and wine tasting on the hotel grounds, Golf, tennis, swimming, hiking on Saturday, and Saturday night features a BBQ dinner at the cabin of Fletcher and Nancy Tyler. \$190 per room, double occupancy. We have 15 rooms reserved, so act fast.

### The Russians are Coming; Again this October

We will be hosting a delegation of Russian real estate brokers from Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 10<sup>th</sup> during their fall visit to our District. See **Andy Halperin** if you can host one or more of this delegation that week.

### Attention Paul Harris Fellows:

As a fully paid Paul Harris Fellow, you or another person, have contributed \$1000.00 in your name to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, either as a lump sum or in increments which accumulate to that amount. (Example: As a "Sustaining Member" donating \$100 per year for ten years or \$200 per year for five years.) Any amount you contribute over \$1000.00 adds toward your additional recognition as a "Multiple Paul Harris Fellow" and *at the same time* may be assigned by you to another person toward a Paul Harris Recognition for that person, called the "Recipient." In other words "you *both* get credit." The recipient can be a family member, spouse, parent, child, or friend. Special community leaders, speakers, and other Rotarians are a few examples of potential "Recipients." When that person accumulates \$1000 in their account they will be named a Paul Harris Fellow. The use of these Foundation Recognition credits is *best done at the time of donation*. This will avoid additional paperwork in having to make a "transfer" of these credits later. There is a provision on the donation form for the information concerning the "Recipient." If no "Recipient" is named, the credits will remain on the Donor's account pending the submission of a "Transfer Form" at a future time authorized by the donor. Transfer of Foundation Recognition points held by the club must be authorized by the

club president or club foundation chairman. Foundation credits held by the district must be transferred by authorization of the District Governor or the District Foundation Chairman.

This additional recognition encourages continued contributions by those contributors who have reached the first step in a long tradition of support of The Rotary Foundation by becoming multiple Paul Harris Fellows. Those who are not Paul Harris Fellows and have unassigned available Foundation Credits may also transfer them as Matching Credits to encourage additional giving by offering to "match" a new donation with their unassigned credits.

Any questions can be directed to Layton Hansen at the meeting or by email at [wcpmlah@aol.com](mailto:wcpmlah@aol.com).

### Lunch experiment....

From time to time we reevaluate our lunch program, to try to meet the changing tastes and desires of our changing membership. One suggestion that we have been getting recently is a desire to "lighten up" a bit. So, we thought we would try an experiment for the month of May. We are going to switch our lunches to a sandwich, soup and salad bar. Rotarians will be able to pick and choose, building a lighter lunch of their own preference. Towards the end of May we will ask each team leader to canvas their members for their opinion of this new approach to our lunches and either continue it or revert back to our traditional meal service.

### 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.