

THE WALNUT LEAF

Rotary Club of Walnut Creek



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 5160 CLUB 465

2019-2020 Theme:

"Rotary Connects the World"

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Today's Program: Capt. Chris Sherry, California Highway Patrol

Rotary Dues Statement. Check your email for **Jason Callan's** dues notice and payment form. Dues are "due" now. As noted in Jason's email, sending separate checks for dues and for voluntary contributions to Rotary International Foundation and the Walnut Creek Rotary Club Community Foundation makes the Secretary's job much easier.

Our Kohoku Exchange Student from Japan, Nana Kobayashi, Arrives Tomorrow July 10th. Please sign-up with **Trudy Triner** trudy.triner@gmail.com to host Nana who will be with us through August 3. Nana is a 17 year old high school student with prior foreign exchange student experience visiting Australia.

Kohoku Exchange Student Party
SUNDAY JULY 21st 5pm hosted by **Jerry and Chris Benoit 530 Wiget Lane.** This is a combined welcome and farewell party and is free to Club members and their families. Just bring a bottle of wine. Sign up with **Jerry.**

Paul Harris Fellow Recognition: Thanks to **Marcia Gerg** for completing her second \$1,000 contribution to the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, as a Paul Harris Fellow.

Demotion Party Recognition: Thanks to the Demotion Party crew led by **Gordon Fischer**, with special recognition to court jester, defense attorney, and skit author **Steve Derby** who led the merry band of actors who ushered past president **Rich Fleming** into retirement.

Ruth Bancroft Gardens IKEA Furniture Assembly Team Recognition: Thanks to Don Willoughby and others who assembled IKEA furniture for the newly renovated buildings at the Ruth Bancroft Gardens.

Sunshine Report: Milt Smith reported on hearing that **Richard Hsu's** daughters Tanya and Esther and son Jimmy are appreciative of the support and encouragement provided by the Club members. Richard's condition remains largely unchanged at a local assisted living facility. **Barry Crawford** is spending nearly all of his time at home carrying for his wife Muriel.

Other Recognitions: **Clint Collier**'s son is engaged to his long-time girlfriend who has 3 children, making Clint and Bev instant grandparents. **Dess Benedetto** is back after several weeks off including a 75th birthday cruise for her mother to Catalina and Ensenda from Long Beach. **Carl Manna**'s son was promoted after his first year of work after college (with a raise!). **Jesse Smyers**' grandson will be attending college at the University of Hawaii.

Rotary/Loaves and Fishes Poker Fundraiser is Friday November 8. Mark your calendars. Details to follow.



Bob Romero sent us this photo from the recent Rotary Wheelchair Project delivery in Honduras.



Jesse Smyers presides over his first meeting as Club President.

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

Tues July 16 Gretchen Bartzan, Ruth Bancroft Garden
Sunday July 21 Kohoku Exchange Student Party, 5pm, Jerry and Chris Benoit's Home 530 Wiget Lane.
Tues July 24 Igor Vananov, Vinous Reverie Wine Merchant