

# THE WALNUT LEAF

## Rotary Club of Walnut Creek



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DISTRICT 5160 CLUB 465

2018-2019 Theme:  
"Be the inspiration"

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**Today's Speaker: CASibs "Siblings of the Developmentally Disabled"**

**Today's Program: California Siblings Leadership Network:** Our Mission is to build a network of information, support, and advocacy resources and that/to empower Sibs to thrive throughout all stages in life. We build the space for Sibs to participate, share their voice, and validate their experience." The presentation is called "Intro to Sibs" and gives the audience an opportunity to gain a perspective into the Disability world that is oftentimes never discussed; the sibling dynamic. **Chamber of Commerce Mixer, Thursday April 25, 5:30pm to 7:30pm, Heather Farms Garden Center.** See Marcia Gerg.

**Rotary Happy Hour This Thursday, April 18, 4:30pm Fat Maddie's Barrelhouse and Bistro.** <https://fatmaddies.com/fat-maddies-barrelhouse-bistro-restaurant/> 45 Crescent Street in downtown Pleasant Hill right off the freeway. The weather is supposed to be GORGEOUS this Thursday so let's have a drink to celebrate Spring! First Round is on sponsor **Steve Derby.**

**Summer Student Exchange Program with the Rotary Club of Tokyo Kohoku Japan**  
**Applications are due by this Friday April 19.** They should include a resume and a short essay on why the student wants to be selected as our exchange student - also include their grade in school or college. Please send this information to **Mary Azevedo** at [maryliz4@yahoo.com](mailto:maryliz4@yahoo.com)

**Fishing in the City, Saturday May 4, Heather Farms Park.** This is an annual favorite event of the Club where we go into Buena Vista Elementary classrooms and teach about fish

conservation and fishing, and then help the kids for a morning of fishing with the Heather Farms lake stocked by CA Fish & Game. See **John Gardner** to volunteer.

**Rotary Bocce Tournament. Saturday May 11, Registration 9:35, Matches from 10:30am to 1:30pm, Martinez Waterfront.** See **Gordon Fischer** to join a team.

**Ability Now "Free Lunch Fundraiser"**  
**Wednesday May 15,** at the Ability Now facility 4500 Lincoln Avenue, Oakland, CA 94602. See **Peter Kohn.**



**On May 17-19, join Northern California and Nevada Rotarians from Districts 5130, 5150, 5160, and 5190 at the Peppermill resort in Reno for a combined annual conference. This event is expected to sell out soon, so register now** at <https://rotary4wayfest.com/>. And get your hotel room at the Peppermill before our block is released to the public on April 25.

This year's conference is jointly organized with 3 other Districts (5130, 5150 and 5190) and will bring together 800-1,000 Rotarians from 220 Clubs to share ideas, fellowship and fun. It includes a Pre-Conference Golf Tournament, great presenters and breakout sessions and many fun activities, some of which support Polio Plus.

**Membership Chair Change:** Thanks to **Jerry Benoit** for again taking on leadership of our membership efforts.

**2019-2020 Club Roster Deadline.** Please notify Jason Callan if you would like to make changes to the information to be printed in the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek's 2019-2020 Club Roster. **The deadline for changes is Tuesday, April 30th.** If Jason hasn't heard from you, he will use your current address, phone, email, etc. for next year's roster.

**Rotarians in Action at Monument Crisis Center's "Senior Moments" brunch event.**



**In Memoriam: Debbie Hsu.** Debbie Hsu, wife of Rotarian **Richard Hsu**, passed Tuesday April 9. Debbie's services will be held at 11 am. This Saturday April 20, at the Formosan United Methodist Church, 1755 Sunnyvale Avenue, Walnut Creek. Debbie's family wants to be sure all Rotarians know they are welcome to attend. To help with their planning; if you do plan to attend please let **Milt Smith** know by emailing him at miltsmith549@gmail.com and he will pass the information along. **Richard** is still in a long term care facility. Our hearts go out to their three children dealing with so much loss at once. They and their parents have been tireless workers and supporters of our Club events and service projects, and we wish to support them as much as we can in this difficult time.

**Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

Tues Apr 23 Dan Feinstein on the Oakland As

Tues Apr 30 President Rich Fleming

Sat May 4 Fishing in the City. See **John Gardner**.

May 7-Chris Carpenter. Contra Costa Sanitary District (thanks Tom Rockwell for securing this speaker).

May 14- Lorna Van Ackerman with Hillendale Home Care. "Aging in Place"

May 21- Catherine Baker. Retired CA State Assemblywoman

May 28- Hari Boukis. Burning Man Part 2