

# The Walnut Leaf

*The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek*

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**SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES**

## **Today's Meeting is LIVE!**

September 14: Unknown

## **Now meeting Live and on Zoom**

See page 2 for complete instructions for attending either live or by Zoom. For high-light pictures from last week's live meeting see page 6.



## **Nairobi Robinson (Nai)**

### **has applied for membership.**

**Nai** is a husband and father of 6 kids, all of whom till live at home. He and his wife ran a large daycare for the past 6 yrs. However, that business has been downsized so that **Nai** could make a career change to real estate. He received his real estate license in November 2020, and got his first sale 90 days later! He is now actively building that business.



He enjoys helping others with what probably is the most expensive purchase they'll ever make. In addition to running my real estate business and raising 6 kids with his wife Valerie, he is also an active member of Grace Bible Church in Hayward. He came to Rotary because "I want to join rotary is to be even more involved in the community."

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## Live Meetings

Members now have the choice of joining our meetings on zoom or attending the live meeting at Heather Farms Garden Center. If you choose to attend the live meeting you can pre-order your lunch (catered by Sunrise Bistro).

If you want to order a lunch, please email your order to John McClintic at [jmclintic@bamlaw.com](mailto:jmclintic@bamlaw.com)

or leave voicemail at 925-256-8200.

Be sure to specify your desired "Selections" from the menu if you are ordering the Sandwich Box or Salad Box. Bottled water is included.

**Orders must be received no later than noon, Friday September 17th.**

Your meal is included in the \$23 live meeting charge for diners.

"No-shows" will be charged the full \$23.

The meeting charge for non-diners attending live is \$10.

## Zoom Meetings

Want to join us by Zoom? The Zoom session starts at 12:20pm so members can gather and chat before the meeting officially opens at 12:30pm.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3315080026>

Meeting ID: 331 508 0026

Local dial-up audio numbers:

San Jose 1.669.900.9128 or

Houston 1.346.248.7799.

## Membership Challenge.

The membership committee has announced the District's 2021 membership challenge that will take place the week of October 18<sup>th</sup>. This is also being supported by the District Membership Photo Contest!



The poster features the Rotary logo at the top, which consists of a globe held in two hands, with the text "SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES" below it. The main title is "Each One Bring One" in large, bold, black letters. Below this, it says "Announcing The District 5160 Rotary Club Membership Challenge 2021" and "Rotary Week of October 18, 2021". A central message reads "\*\*\*Every Rotarian Bring a Guest\*\*\*" followed by "\*Photo Contest \* Prizes\*". At the bottom, it provides contact information: "For questions, ideas, suggestions and concerns, contact District Membership Director Dan Gerald at (415) 880-1122". The Rotary logo is repeated at the bottom right of the poster.

## BOX LUNCHES

### Sandwich Box

Made with our Herbed or Whole Wheat Breads  
Includes Potato or Pasta Salad, Lemon Bar, Brownie  
or Chocolate Banana Bread (Chef's Choice)

#### Selections:

Turkey - Turkey & Cranberry - Ham - BLTA  
Tri Tip & Caramelized Onions - Cashew Chicken  
Salad - Tuna Salad - Egg Salad  
Vegetarian: Herbed Cream Cheese, Avocado, Carrots,  
Beets, Cucumber, Tomato & Sprouts  
Roasted Veggie: Roasted Veggies with Tomato Basil  
Pesto Spread  
Vegan: Hummus, Avocado, Carrots, Beets,  
Cucumber, Tomato & Sprouts



### Salad Boxes

Include Fresh Roll, Butter, Lemon Bar, Brownie or  
Chocolate Chip Banana Bread (Chef's Choice)

#### Selections:

Cobb (GF) - Thai Chicken, Cashew Chicken Salad  
(GF) - Chicken or Flaked Salmon Caesar's Goddess -  
Greek - Chicken & Roasted Vegetable (GF) -  
Edamame & Avocado Quinoa (GF)



\*\* (GF) (Vegan) Includes Piece of Fresh Fruit & Chia  
Seed Pudding  
\*\* Mariposa Gluten Free Bread

## SPECIALTY BOXES

### Cindy's Special Box

Grilled Mary's Chicken Breast, Roasted Vegetables,  
Sweet Potato, House Salsa, Fresh Baked Roll,  
Brownie or Lemon Bar (Chef's Choice)

### Tahini Lentil Bowl

Roasted Cauliflower & Broccolini, Charred Red  
Onions, Lentils, Baby Chard & Kale, Toasted Seeds,  
Herbed Lemon Tahini Dressing, Fresh Baked Roll,  
Brownie or Lemon Bar (Chef's Choice)

### Paleo Box (GF)

Grilled Mary's Chicken Breast, Roasted Vegetables,  
Roasted Sweet Potatoes, Fresh Fruit & Nuts

## Club welcomes Tony Pasol

At the September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting new member **Tony Pasol** was presented his Rotary pin and formally welcomed by District Governor elect **Suzanne Bragdon**



## Walnut Creek Community Food Drive What is happening

On Saturday, October 9, the City of Walnut Creek is once again conducting its annual Community Service Day. Various projects will happen throughout the city in addition to the Community Food Drive to benefit the Food Bank.

### What this means for us as Rotarians

This is the first time for the city to do a food drive at the same time as doing a city wide group of projects utilizing volunteer labor. In order to manage all of this activity, the three Rotary Clubs in Walnut Creek (Rotary Club of Walnut Creek - us, Walnut Creek Sunrise Rotary

and the Diablo View Rotary) have been asked to supervise the eight food donation stations at various grocery stores on the day of the food drive. This is an opportunity in the following ways:

1. There is a large continuing need for the food that is donated. Doing our part is simply being a Rotarian: Service above Self
2. This is the type of project that can give Rotary a lot of beneficial visibility in the community. We have

**Community Service Day**

Get Out. Give Back. Feel Great.

Join with friends and family for a morning of celebration and service

**SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Outdoor Projects for All Ages**  
Parks  
Gardens  
Community Centers  
Schools

**Community Food Drive**  
Neighborhoods  
Local Grocery Stores  
Rossmore  
Online

 **To Volunteer or Donate Visit**  
[www.walnut-creek.org/service](http://www.walnut-creek.org/service)

done a lot for the community through the years, but not with the visibility that we will receive from this project.

3. It has the potential to open doors for other activities both with the city and the greater community.

## **Where we are right now**

The overall commitment level from the other two clubs is not certain at this point. With eight locations and two 3-hour shifts at each location, there are 16 total Rotarian crew leaders needed for the eight locations. At this point, our club is planning to staff most of these shifts. That should not be too difficult, as we, as the largest club, have the membership to easily do that.

As a reminder, the eight locations are:

- Ygnacio Valley - Nob Hill Citrus Center
- Ygnacio Valley - Safeway Countrywood
- Ygnacio Valley - Safeway Orchards
- Ygnacio Valley - Whole Foods
- Downtown - Safeway
- Downtown - Whole Foods
- Rossmoor Safeway
- Lunardi's

## **Contact for information and sign up**

We are meeting with the city managers for the food drive (Cindy Silva and Diane Crowley Young) on August 11. We will attempt to keep you up to date on any changes as they happen. In the meantime, please sign up for one of the crew leader spots. As of writing this, five people have already volunteered as Crew Leaders. If you have a preference for location or shift time, please indicate that, but we cannot guarantee that you will get it, especially with the other clubs taking responsibility for some locations. To sign-up or for further information, contact **Bruce Johnson** [brucej620@outlook.com](mailto:brucej620@outlook.com) or 925.457.8727. Also see the August 3 Walnut Leaf or the July 29 email blast from **Marcia Gerg** for further details.

## **Join the Fun...Happy Hour**

Every other Thursday at 5:00 PM members of the club, friends and guests gather at the Bay Club (2805 Jones Road Walnut Creek) to celebrate the almost conclusion of yet another week. Drinks, nibbles and conversation all flow. There is free parking in the garage adjacent to the entrance (until the valet parking is back)!

Want to join us? All you have to do is show up. Next meeting of the group is Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

# Highlights of our September 7 Meeting



## Register NOW for District Conference District 5160 Goes Back to the Future Oct 29-31, 2021

How does a family-friendly weekend getaway to a beautiful resort sound after our pandemic isolation? Well, you're invited!! For the first time in over two years, District 5160 Rotarians will gather IN-PERSON for Rotary fun and inspiration at our District Conference.



As the incoming District Governor on July 1, I've heard from so many of you requesting we return to a fall conference. And we've been missing each other so much! What better time to hold the 2021-2022 District Conference than in beautiful October -- and in the stunning Olympic Valley in the North Tahoe region to boot? Please join me Halloween weekend at The Resort at Squaw Creek for the 2021-2022 District 5160 annual conference! I promise to get you home in plenty of time for your Halloween evening activities. Full information and registration... [Click Here!](#)

Kathy Suvia  
District Governor 2021-22

### Coming meetings & events...

September 16: Happy hour at Bay Club, 5:00pm  
September 21: Crystal Hapgood on Palliative Care  
September 28: Dist Gov **Kathy Suvia** on Polio status  
October 9: WC Community Service Food Drive  
October 24: World Polio Day  
October 29-31 District Conference

### Club Officers

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