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Rotary LEAF Club of Walnut Creek



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 5160 CLUB 465

2020-2021 Theme:

“Rotary Opens Opportunities”

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This Week April 27: Jon Haveman, Ph.D., Executive Director, National Economic Education Delegation

Next Week May 4: Andrzej Stewart, NASA Rover

The Rotary Four-Way Test of All We Think, Say, and Do:

Is it the Truth?

Is it Fair to all Concerned?

Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?

Will it Be Beneficial to All Concerned?

We meet on Zoom on Tuesdays.

May 4, 2021, Immediate Past President Jesse Smyers will lead the meeting. **The log in will remain the same.** He will use Pres Cathy's zoom account to open the meeting.

The Zoom session starts at 12:20pm with the meeting officially opened at 12:30pm.

Our NEW Weekly Zoom link is:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87366614936>

Meeting ID: 873 6661 4936

Local dialup audio numbers:

San Jose 1-669-900-9128 or

Houston 1-346-248-7799.

We are invited to join the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Rotary Club of Alamo, at their in-person lunch meeting Wednesday, May 5, 2021. The Alamo Club was formally chartered on May 7, 1971, and was sponsored by the Rossmoor, Danville and Walnut Creek Rotary Clubs. We are all invited to attend the in-person lunch meeting. Past Rotary International President Rick King will be the keynote speaker. The Alamo Club currently meets at Forli's Restaurant, 3160 Danville Blvd., Alamo, CA 94507, in the Stone Valley Center.

If you plan to attend, please be sure to RSVP now to Steve Polcyn 925-548-3516, steve_polcyn@earthlink.net so the restaurant has an accurate headcount.

Thank You to the Club From Meals on Wheels: We received a thank you letter from Meals on Wheels for our Club's active volunteer work. Highlights include 15 years of serve, over 57,500 meals delivered, and 11,520 lives touched. Current Rotarians and spouses who have participated over the years include **Clint and Bev Collier, Ivan and Sheryl Kerr, Doug and Annette Switzer, Fletcher and Nancy Tyler, Milt and Carolyn Smith, Alain Justilien, Steve Derby, Sabine Webb, Jean Edwards, Jason Callan, Carl Manna, Bob Romero, Rem and Vera Barnard, and Jerry and Chris Benoit.**

District Governor Mark Roberts invites us to the 2021 Virtual District Conference - ALL ABOARD! April 30 - May 2 2021 Watch your email for your personal registration link.

The featured speakers will include:

Toni Scott, the successful young leader of Morrison, a decades old business consulting firm, brings a fresh approach to “Bridging the Gap Between Generations”. Her unique perspective will provide us with a greater understanding of what generational gaps may look like from both sides of the row and how to move past them. Overcoming these gaps to secure a more stable and successful future for Rotary is crucial as we strive to build up leaders who will continue the legacy of service above self.

Deepa Willingham is a fellow Rotarian and recipient of the 2018 United Nations Association Peace Prize. The founder of PACE Universal, a non-profit committed to ending trafficking and uplifting communities through the education of girls and women living in extreme poverty.

Tyler Schultz made headlines as he brought down arguably the greatest fraud in American business history, and saved hundreds, if not thousands, of lives. The company behind the fraud? Theranos - and its founder Elizabeth Holmes, who created a device to analyze one tiny drop of blood and run hundreds of tests simultaneously, on the spot. Tyler, the grandson of former Secretary of State George Schultz (who was a Theranos investor) was hired to provide analysis of efficacy and uncovered glaring irregularities which lead to physical threats and ultimately a shattering investigation by the Wall Street Journal, books and documentaries.

Registration is still only \$40” or a “first-class ticket” that will fill your Rotary cup. **Watch your email for your personal registration link.**

World Immunization Week April 24-30. Join with Rotary to combat vaccine hesitancy and misinformation by spreading the facts about why #VaccinesWork. With decades of experience fighting polio, Rotary plays a key role in informing people about the power and effectiveness of vaccines. As COVID-19 vaccines become more available, Rotary members are using our experience in fighting polio to help communities with their vaccination

education and organization efforts. And today, because we and our partners have worked so hard, wild poliovirus remains endemic in only two countries: Afghanistan and Pakistan. But to eradicate it there and to prevent a resurgence in other parts of the world, we must continue to build trust in vaccines and raise funds for polio eradication, including vaccine delivery.

This year, you can take action for World Immunization Week in three easy ways:

1. Download and share our new two-minute video, “Rotary Inspires Leaders in Global Health,” and show it to your clubs. In it, global health leaders like U.S. infectious disease expert Dr. Anthony Fauci, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Co-Chair Bill Gates, UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta H. Fore, and World Health Organization Director-General Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus talk about what Rotary has achieved in the fight to end polio.
2. Post graphics and other content from Rotary’s World Immunization Week Toolkit on social media with the hashtags #EndPolio and #VaccinesWork.
3. Donate to Rotary’s PolioPlus Fund to help us and our partners deliver polio vaccines to vulnerable children. Your contribution will be tripled, thanks to the Gates Foundation.

Click this Link for Vaccination Week Materials:

<http://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1ufmRSFYn1lliiisDZNIXWotPui9>

Rotary International Webinar: Building Strong Intergenerational Relationships. Join us Thursday, 29 April, at 11:00 Chicago time (UTC-5) for the fourth webinar in our accountability and inclusion series. Check your email for your personalized registration link.

Generational diversity is one of Rotary’s competitive advantages. Few organizations span generations and build personal connections the way we do. Yet we also can find ourselves

segmented by age groups and unable or unwilling to challenge our biases about people of other ages. According to a study by consulting network Deloitte, 70% of survey respondents from around the world say that leading multigenerational organizations is important or very important for their success over the next 12 to 18 months, but only 10% say they're very ready to do so.

In this webinar, we'll hear from several Rotary program participants who have built strong intergenerational relationships, and:

- Empower young leaders to act on issues they are passionate about
- Build awareness of the biases that create tension between the generations
- Recognize that everyone, no matter how old or young, has something to teach and something to learn

Borges Ranch Work Day May 22 8:30am to Noon: We have arranged with Ranger Dan Bylin for a Rotary Club work day at Borges Ranch on the morning of Saturday May 22 from 8:30 to noon. We will be constructing a fence which we started about a year and a half ago. There will also be some painting and perhaps some light landscape work. This is a great chance to get outdoors with your friends for some community service. Bring water, gloves and wear your Rotarian at Work t-shirt. Tools and materials will be provided. Please email **Don Willoughby** at dfwilloughby@gmail.com with your best contact email and phone number.

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

April 27 Jon Haveman, Ph.D., Executive Director, National Economic Education Delegation
May 4: Andrzej Stewart, "NASA Rover"
May 11: Eve Birge, White Pony Express
May 18: John Kenny, "Investing for 2021"
May 25: TBA

Join the New Rotary Polio Plus Society:

Rotary International continues its fight to End Polio Now. The financial need remains great as we strive to eradicate the last and most difficult pockets of polio, and the Polio Plus Society has been started to encourage further donations.

You can join the society by pledging to donate \$100 per year until the World Health Organization certifies the world as Polio Free. Complete and send the attached pledge form to **Trudy Cumming** trudycumming@att.net who will forward it on to District 5160.

Then the easiest way to donate is to go to <https://www.endpolio.org/donate>. You can make a one-time donation of \$100 or more, or you can make a recurring monthly, quarterly, or annual donation. Or you can donate by writing a check payable to The Rotary Foundation, with "PolioPlus" in the memo field, and send the check to **Gordon Fischer** to forward on to RI. **Rotary International Conference 2021 will be Virtual.** Registration will be only \$49. Dates and other information to follow.

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES



The PolioPlus Society



As a Rotarian and supporter of Polio Eradication, **Rotary's Number One Priority**, I am participating in the Countdown to History as a member of the

PolioPlus Society of District 5160

I hereby commit to making an annual donation to the PolioPlus Fund of The Rotary Foundation as follows (select one):

- \$100 USD per year (minimum amount to become a society member)
- A contribution of \$_____ per year to PolioPlus (more than \$100)

I pledge to help Rotary make history by continuing to contribute the above amount each year until the World Health Organization certifies that polio has been fully eradicated because ...

Until the world is polio-free, every child is at risk.

Society members will receive a PolioPlus Society membership pin, certificate and an End Polio Now bracelet...and your contribution qualifies for Paul Harris Recognition Points credit.

To make your tax-deductible donation go to <https://www.endpolio.org/donate> or point your smart phone camera to the QR Code on this page. You can choose a one-time donation of \$100 or more, or a recurring donation in the amount and frequency of your choice (We suggest \$10/month as the "easy way" to become a PolioPlus Society member.)

Name (please print) _____ Date _____

Email Address _____ Club Name _____

Please email your form to Mike Crosby (MikePolioPlus@Rotary5160.org)

or mail to Mike Crosby 1713 Chardonnay Lane Brentwood CA 94513.

Your PolioPlus Society certificate, pin and bracelet will be presented at your club meeting to make sure you are recognized for your commitment to polio eradication.

