

The Rotary Club of Walnut Creek

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 5160 CLUB 465 2015 2016 Theme:

"Be a Gift to the World"

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Thought for the Day: Peter Kohn

Roving Mic: Richard Hsu

Today's Speaker: Mike Conklin, Sentinels of Freedom

Next Week: Our Annual Meeting at John Muir Medical Center, Ball Auditorium, Noon

Fellowship Fest Events—Sign Up Now.

See the information table for fellowship events scheduled over the next few months. To lock in your reservation, please also make the required payment to the host when you sign up. Events coming up include Tilden Park Hike and Lunch Sat Sept 19, 11am \$15 Hosts Cathy Durfee and Donna Montana; Horse Shoes and Hot Links Sun Sept 20 5:30pm \$15 Host Trudy Triner; Bicycle Ride Lafayette-Moraga Trail, Sat Oct 3, 9:30am Host Jesse Smyers.

Walnut Festival Parade, Saturday Sept 19 We will be walking the parade route this year, accompanying Marty Larsen's Model A. Meeting location and time for the parade TBA. We also are having a pre-parade dinner at 4pm at Tulio's Italian Restaurant 2065 N Broadway, \$21 per person. See Jennifer Ruane or Donna Montana to sign up.

Meals on Wheels 25th Anniversary Fundraiser Gala Thursday September 24, 6pm to 9pm Pleasant Hill Community Center. Small plates, wine, music, and "Never Too Late" show by Stagebridge Senior Theater company. \$65 per person for tix purchased by August 1. Buy tix at https://mowofcc25th.eventbrite.com. Inner Wheel Club Wine and Hors d'oeuvres Gathering Friday Oct 2nd 6pm at Susana and John Gardner's home, 1054 Hacienda Drive, Walnut Creek.

Inner Wheel is a club consisting of spouses (male and female) of Rotarians. The Inner Wheel members tirelessly support our annual fundraiser and work on their own charitable projects while also meeting socially once a month. Inner Wheel would like to expand its membership base and this gathering is a good opportunity to get acquainted.

Rotary Foundation Family Fun Day, Saturday October 3, Noon to 10pm, Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, Vallejo, California. Bring your family, friends and neighbors to meet Rotarians from all over the Bay Area and Northern California. And what a deal!! \$40 ticket includes admission, all you can eat picnic lunch and, with purchase of 4 tickets - parking. \$5 of each ticket goes to the Rotary Foundation. Rotary Community Service Project—Sugarloaf Open Space Amphitheater; Sat Oct 10th 8:30am to 1pm. Come help remodel this beautiful outdoor amphitheater built by the Club several years ago. See Jack Fischer to sign up.

Rotary LN4 Artificial Hands Project El Salvador Nov 21 and 22: See Bob Romero if you are interested in going to El Salvador to assist in delivering artificial hands to disabled persons. Bob is coordinating this with two local Rotary Clubs in El Salvador.

Recognitions: We received a grateful thank you letter from Monument Crisis Center for our support of their annual school backpack drive. **Wendy Jones**' daughter is expecting in April. **Trudy Triner**'s husband is celebrating his 81st birthday at Burning Man in the desert.

Walnut Creek Sunrise Rotary now meets Wed at 7:15am at Scotts Restaurant.

Attend a "make-up" meeting and help support our neighbor Club as they try to build back up their membership.

September Birthdays: Many happy returns of the day to the following Rotarians celebrating birthdays this month: Russ Anderson, Jerry Benoit, Trudy Cumming, Joe Doherty, Brian Dutler, Mark Hull, Andy Marshall, John McClintic, Barbara Muniz, and Jesse Smyers.

September Anniversaries: Congratulations to the following Rotarians celebrating wedding anniversaries this month: Mary Azevedo, Mark Cranmer, Bob Romero, and Oscar Wu.

Upcoming Club Meetings and Events:

Tues Sep 15 Our annual lunch meeting at John Muir Medical Center, featuring guest speaker Dr. Bill Bice, Director of Radiation Oncology. Sign up with **Ken Anderson.**

Saturday, Sep 19. Walnut Festival Parade. See Jennifer Ruane.

Tues Sep 22 Mike Arrington, My Memoir

Tues Sept 29 Bob Romero, Agua Nicaragua

Fri Oct 2 6pm, Inner Wheel Wine and Hors D'oeuvres at Susana and John Gardner's home, 1054 Hacienda Drive, Walnut Creek

Friday Nov 13 Rotary Poker Night, St Isadore's Church Hall in Danville. 5:30pm Dinner, 6:30pm Cards Fly! See Carl Manna.

Sat Nov 21, Rotary Day at the Races Fundraiser, Golden Gate Fields.