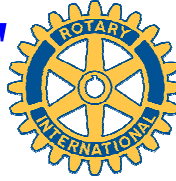


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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
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2016 2017 Theme:

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Thought for the Day: Darren Kelly

Roving Mic: Clint Collier

Today's Speaker: Mike Crosby, "Blind Spots—Why Sometimes We Fail to Do What's Right, and What to Do About It"

Costa Rica Wheelchairs 2016 Deadline Extended to November 15th. We are nearing our goal of \$33,000 to fund 200 wheelchairs. **Please send in contributions by November 15th so we can order the chairs for delivery around May next year. Every \$1 counts! To make a personal donation, give Bob Romero your check or mail to The Rotary Club of Walnut Creek, Attn. Bob Romero, P.O. Box 4191, Walnut Creek, CA 94596. Make checks payable to "Wheelchair Foundation" (an IRC 501(c)(3) charity), with notation "Costa Rica Wheelchairs 2016"**

Annual Rotary Club of Walnut Creek/Loaves and Fishes "Texas Hold-em" Poker Tournament Next Friday Nov 11th at St Isadore Church, 440 La Gonda Way, Danville. Dinner at 5:30pm; cards fly at 6:30pm. \$55 in advance, \$60 at the door. Register and pay online at www.loavesfishescc.org (type "POKER" in the comments section. See **Carl Manna** for more info on how to pay by check.

District 5160's Golden Gate Fields 10th "Salute to Rotary Foundation" Day at the Races is Saturday November 19th. 10% of the overall net ticket sales from all Rotary Clubs in attendance will be donated to the Rotary International Foundation "Annual Fund". The Turf Club package will include: Valet parking, admission and reserved seating, daily racing program, Turf Club buffet, tax/tip for the food servers. Please pay **Rem Barnard** for your tickets if you have not done so already.

MCC Turkey and Gift Card Drive Nov 21st: Monument Crisis Center hopes to collect and distribute 1,000 turkeys on November 21. Please give gift card donations to **Jesse Smyers** between now and Nov 21. Jesse also will be here at the Heather Farms Garden Center the morning of the 21st from 9:30 to 11:00 to collect frozen turkeys.



Toys for Tots Annual Toy Drive Tuesday December 13th: We are working with the Walnut Creek Police Department again this year. They will be coming to collect unwrapped toys (or cash donations) at our meeting on December 13th. See **Clint Collier**.

MMC Senior Moments Brunch, Friday January 6, 8:30am to Noon. Add this to your calendars now, and sign up with **Jesse Smyers** in December. We will be helping again with this fun brunch and bingo program. We will need 10 to 15 Rotary Volunteers. We have participated in this for the past two years and have a great time doing it.

November is Rotary Foundation Month; Celebrate with Matching Points! Quent Collier has donated Paul Harris Fellow matching points for contributions made by Club Members to the Rotary Foundation this month. See **Gordon Fischer**.



Crab Feed 2017 is Saturday, January 28, Pleasant Hill Community Center. It is time to start working on our major fundraiser for the year.

Start soliciting live and silent auction donations from local individuals and businesses. Chairs are **Jerry Benoit and Gary Stein** (live auction) and **Marcia Gerg, Jean Edwards, Jason Callan, and Mary Azevedo** (silent) auction.

Buy tickets now. See **Bob Morgan** or buy online at www.my-gala.com. Every Rotarian is expected to buy at least 4 tickets.

Bring in your wine donations for the wine barrel auction and raffle. Do your bargain shopping now; every Rotary is expected to donate two bottles of premium (\$25 per bottle value) wine. Or give a check for \$50 to **Gordon Fischer** and he will shop for you.

Join a committee to help out at the event, including Bar (**John Fenoglio**), Kitchen (**Mike Lommel**), Clean-up (**Richard Hsu and Mike Lommel**), Check-Out (**Layton Hansen**). Or ask **Trudy Triner**, the event Chair for 2017.

Be a Sponsor! We encourage all individuals, families, and businesses to be recognized as key sponsors of this fabulous event. See your ad or photo prominently displayed in the event program and on the big screens at the event! **Bronze (\$250) and ALL OTHER SPONSOR LEVELS** include an ad or photo in the event program and in the video slide show during the event. **Silver (\$500)** also includes 2 tickets to the event, 1 bottle of premium wine, and 5 raffle

tickets. **Gold (\$1,000)** also includes 4 tickets to the event), 2 bottles of premium wine, and 10 raffle tickets. **Platinum (\$1,700)** also includes a Premium Seating Reserved table for 10; plus a Special Live Auction Raffle Ticket (\$100); 2 bottles of premium wine; 20 wine barrel raffle tickets; a table sponsorship sign; and logo and name recognition in press releases. **Pop-Ups for Re-Ups!** Renewing Platinum Level sponsors also will have a permanent “pop-up” banner displayed at this year’s event and at all future crab feed events they sponsor.

Nominating Committee Report: The following are the nominees for the Club board of directors and officers for next year. **Directors 2017-2019 Carl Manna, Dave Killebrew, and Rob Walters. Officers 2017-2018 Treasurer Rem Barnard, Rotary International Rep Gordon Fischer, Attendance Secretary Layton Hansen, Secretary Doug Switzer. And President Elect 2017-2018/President 2018-2019 Rich Fleming.**

November Birthdays: Many happy returns of the day to the following Rotarians celebrating birthdays this month: **Don Willoughby, Joe Anthony, Jack Fischer, Rem Barnard, Jennifer Ruane, Ken Nordhoff, Al Sevilla, Rod Uffindell.**

Recognitions: **Oscar Wu** looks great after a hip replacement! Jason Callan made a donation to the Club in honor of winning the raffle. **John Gardner** enjoyed a successful hunting trip. **Lu Hughes** survived a small fender bender.

Upcoming Club Meetings and Events:

Nov 8 The Annual Visit of our District 5160 Governor, Fred Collignon

Nov 11 Our Annual Joint Poker Event with Loaves and Fishes at St. Isadore Church. 5:30 dinner. 6:30 cards fly. See **Carl Manna**.

Nov 15 Matt Guichard, “Coroner’s Inquest”

Nov 22 Scott Denison, Leshar Center for the Arts and Walnut Creek Walking Tours

Nov 29 Jane Louie and Don Jenkins, Rotary International Foundation and Community Foundation

Dec 20 Our Holiday Party, 6-10pm at Boundary Oak. \$40.00 per person, including music, entertainment, and also a great dinner. For more info, contact **Jean Edwards** 925-899-0727, jedwards1007@comcast.net

TOYS 4 TOTS



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Once again, our club is sponsoring Toys for Tots!

Bring your unwrapped toy to our meeting

December 13th!

Question... see Clint Collier

