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Thought for the Day: Barry Crawford

Roving Mic: Ivan Kerr

Today's Speaker: Fatima Colindres, of the National Park Service

Rotary Community Service Project October 8th TIME CHANGE 8:30am to 1pm.

Volunteers are needed to assemble and install benches for the Rotary amphitheater at Borges Ranch. See **Jack Fischer**.

Rotary District 5160's Fall Foundation / Membership Seminar. Saturday, October 8 9:00 am - 2:30 pm Benicia High School, Benicia. This is for all Rotarians. Learn more about attracting, retaining, and engaging your members, District projects and the Rotary Foundation.

UC I-House Agricultural Tour and BBQ, Sat Oct 15th 5pm Borges Ranch. Volunteers are needed to come to the BBQ dinner and mingle with the UC International House students after their bus tour of local ag sites. Mike Lommel is on the grill! Sign up with Sabine Webb.

Nicaragua LN-4 Artificial Hand Project, Oct. 21, 22 and 23, Managua, Nicaragua. A delegation led by **Bob Romero** will be traveling to Managua to distribute artificial hands with the Rotary Managua-Tiscapa Club that helped us with our "Agua Nicaragua" water project.

Annual Rotary Club of Walnut Creek/Loaves and Fishes "Texas Hold-em" Poker Tournament Friday Oct 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.

Costa Rica Wheelchairs 2016 Project Update. Thanks to tireless promotional efforts led by Bob Romero, we have raised over \$22,000 so far towards our goal of \$33,000 to fund 200 wheelchairs. All the funds need to be paid in by October 31st so we can order the chairs for delivery approx. May next year. Every \$1 counts! To make a personal donation, give Bob your check or or mail in care of 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"

District 5160's Golden Gate Fields 10th "Salute to Rotary Foundation" Day at the Races is Saturday November 19th. A special discounted Turf Club group rate of \$40pp is available for groups of 12 or more. 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. See Rem Barnard to sign up.

Our Club's Holiday Party will be held Tuesday, December 20, from 6 to 10 PM at Boundary Oak. Cost is \$40.00 per person, including music, entertainment, and also a great dinner. For more info, contact **Jean Edwards** 925-899-0727, jedwards1007@comcast.net

Crab Feed 2017 is Saturday, January 28. It will be held at the Pleasant Hill Community Center. This is a new venue for us and recently remodeled.

Recognitions: Thanks to **Rob Walters** and John Muir Medical Center for hosting us at the annual lunch meeting and providing a fascinating tour of the new Rehabilitation Center custom designed for stroke/brain injury recovery. **Jesse Smyers** thanked all the Rotarians who sent cards and called him during his heart surgery recovery.

Prospective Member Incentive—Another Free Lunch! The Club Board has approved a new incentive to encourage Club members to bring prospective members as guests. The lunch for the guest AND FOR THE CLUB MEMBER

will be free for the first meeting attended by the guest.

Welcome New Member Matt Guichard! Matt is a litigation attorney and founding partner of the Guichard Teng & Portello law firm in Walnut Creek. Matt's sponsor is **Rem Barnard**.

Member Blue Badge Promotion. Rob Walters graduated to Blue Badge status!

Prospective Members: Jean Rennett is Founder and President of Olivia Garden International, a beauty supply company in Antioch, and lives in Walnut Creek. He is a good friend of his sponsor Gary Stein. Scott Wilson is a medical device consultant in Walnut Creek. He is the God-son of Adrian Mendes. Please provide any comments to the Club Secretary.

Upcoming Club Meetings and Events:

Oct 11 Linda Bowers, "Aquanuts"

Oct 18 Ryan Christoi, "KRT Marketing"

Oct 25 Christina Cherry, "Paws for Purple Hearts"

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.