

The Walnut Leaf

The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek

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**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**

WELCOME
ONE
AND ALL

it's a
HOLIDAY
PARTY



Holiday Celebration Menu

Appetizers:

Classic Bruschetta

Mushroom and Chicken Empanadas

Salad:

Holiday Pomegranate

Mains:

Hand Carved Tri-Tip with Portabella Sauce

Baked Salmon with Lemon Capers Sauce

Roasted Tomato Pasta (vegetarian selection)

with

Roasted Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables

Dessert:

Tres Leches Christmas Cake

Musical entertainment provided by the Tonic Trio

Meanwhile...

Officer Nominations.

Past President **Jesse Smyers** has announced the nominated officers for club offices into the year 2025. The proposed officers are:

- Continuing Board Members:
 - **Ivan Kerr, Ken Anderson, Prem Abraham**
- Newly Nominated Board Members:
 - **Betsy Yuan, Shalini Lugani, Ted Ford**
- President Elect 2024-2025: **Marcia Gerg**
- Recording Secretary: **Jason Callan**
- Attendance Secretary: **Trudy Cumming**
- RI Foundation Secretary: **Gordon Fischer**
- Treasurer: **John McClintic**
- Sergeant at Arms: **Tony Pasol**
- President Nominee 2025-2026: **Tony Pasol.**

Dr. Ikediobi has applied for membership.



Doctor **Ogechi (“Chi”) Ikediobi** has applied for membership in our club. The club’s board of directors has reviewed and approved the application. She spoke to our club a few weeks ago, primarily about her specialty—dermatology and has a practice here in Walnut Creek. “I have started a medical dermatology practice on

the principles of holistic health—addressing the whole human being rather than just the presenting illness in order to properly diagnose and treat dermatological diseases. In doing so, I guide my patients on a journey to healing that feels redemptive.”

She and her husband, Steffen Durinck, live in Orinda. **Shalini Lugani** is **Chi’s** sponsor.

Any member who has comments about this application is encouraged to contact our club secretary **Marcia Gerg**.

Dr. DeVinney has applied for membership.



Doctor **Craig DeVinney** (but not his son) has applied for membership in our club. The club’s board of directors has reviewed and approved the application.

Craig has been working as an Emergency Room doctor working for John Muir in Walnut Creek for the last 17 years. While there, he has served as chair for the disaster preparedness committee.

He and his wife Jennifer live here in Walnut Creek with their 3 sons. He has coached boys soccer, basketball and lacrosse. He’s also completed an Ironman competition in 2010! He and his wife are gold level sponsors of WCEF (Walnut Creek Educational Fund).

Gene Voelkel is Craig’s sponsor.

Any member who has comments about this application is encouraged to contact our club secretary **Marcia Gerg**.

Hari Boukis: 9th Paul Harris



At last week's meeting **Layton Hansen**, our foundation secretary teamed up with **Mark Roberts**, The District Foundation Chair, to present **Hari** with his 9th Paul Harris recognition and...

Matt Guichard



was right on Hari's tail with his 7th Paul Harris recognition! Great support for Rotary and the Paul Harris foundation!

Join the Fun...Happy Hour

Every other Thursday at 5:00 PM members of the club, friends and guests gath-

er at the Bay Club (2805 Jones Road Walnut Creek) to celebrate the almost conclusion of yet another fortnight of Rotary. Drinks, nibbles and conversation all flow. There is free parking in the garage adjacent to the entrance (until the valet parking is back)!

Contact **Darin Kelly** for details and to see if this is a meeting week.

Heads up!



Be a volunteer!

Coming Meetings & Events...

- December 19: Taylor Foxworthy
Organizing and Decluttering Tips
- December 26: Dark
- January 2, 2024: Dark
- January 9, 2024: Leah Briones
Foothill Mental Health Project
- January 16, 2024: **Jack Fischer**
Stores about the Club
- January 30, 2024: **Hari Boukis**

Other Club Positions

Immediate Past President

Gary Stein

Secretary

Marcia Gerg

Rotary International

Secretary

Layton Hansen

Attendance Secretary

Polio Plus Warrior

Trudy Cumming

Treasurer

John McClintic

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Darren Kelly

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Tony Pasol

Fellowship

Jason Callan

Speaker Committee

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Matt Guichard

Prem Abraham

Peter Kohn

2021-2023 Directors

Prem Abraham

Darren Kelly

Trudy Trinner

2022-2024 Directors

Jason Callan

Jerry Benoit

Lance Mendes

District Officers

DV8 Asst Governor

Cathy Durfee

December's

Team!

Tony Pasol (Leader)

Marcia Gerg

Scott Wilson

Darren Kelly

Rod Uffindell

Ivan Kerr

Jean Renette

Sabine Webb

Walt Youngman

Live Meetings

Members have the choice of joining our meetings on zoom or attending the live meeting at Heather Farm Lakeside Room, 301 N San Carlos Drive. If you choose to attend the live meeting you can pre-order your lunch (catered by Sunrise Bistro).

Choices for lunch are shown on the next page If you want to order a lunch, please email your order to:

John McClintic

at 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 preceding the meeting.

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.

Want to join us by Zoom? The Zoom session starts at 12:00pm so members can gather and chat before the meeting officially opens at 12:30pm.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84410765063?pwd=dVBnK1hPV3NhcStWaitqUTU0YXdEQT09>

Meeting ID: 939 5921 4209 Passcode: WCRotary



Weekly Lunch Choices Catered by Sunrise Bistro

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