

# The Walnut Leaf

*The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek*  
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## Today's Meeting...

Kerry Hillis: Update on BART

## New Meeting location

Welcome to our new meeting location, the Assistance League Diablo Valley!

## Welcom Jon!

Jon Brown, Head of Market Intelligence for Zuora will be inducted today as our newest member. He is a resident of Walnut Creek and is married to Stephanie Albon and they have three children. His goal is to become more active in the Walnut Creek community where they have lived the past 3 years. His father left him a legacy of community involvement; he wants to continue that for his children.



## Time for some Rotary Fun & Fellowship!

The Lunar or Chinese New Year starts this weekend on February 10<sup>th</sup>; the year of the Dragon. As we go to press these is still room for one more couple to join us as we celebrate a second New Year with a Chinese dinner at

# *A Celebration of Life*



JOHN "JACK" FISCHER

March 7<sup>th</sup>

Zio Fraedos

611 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill

starting at 11:00am

All are welcome

Uncle Yu's in Lafayette. A special "prix fixe" menu has been selected for \$55/person (tax and gratuity included). Drinks... you are on your own!

Members are reminded that, since we must pay in cash (no credit cards at time of the event) to bring your payment to today's meeting to turn in to our treasurer or to **Clint Collier!**

At this point, since the meal is ordered, we can not accept cancellations but anyone can sell or give away their spot if they've decided not to attend. Signed up? See you at 6:00 at Uncle Yu's!

## **Coming Meetings & Events...**

February 10: Chinese New Year Dinner

February 13: Valentine's Day Luncheon

February 20: Gordon Reese, President

Gordon Reese Design Build

February 27: Sherry Nadwony &

Caitlin Sly

Meals on Wheels

March 5: Lori Armstrong, Writer

March 12 Ben Lavender CCC San

Pollution Prevention

March 19: Sheena Kawaakami

Special Olympics of Northern CA.

March 23: Spring Assembly:

South Fairfield

March 26: Marliyn Cachola

State PTA LegislationV

April 6: Spring Assembly:

North Redding

April 9: Amy Alanes, Ex Director

Women's Cancer Resource Center

April 16: Janet Hoy, VP

League of Women Voters, DV

April 26-28: District Conference

January 24-26 2025:

World Peace Conference  
Rohnert Park (Wine Country)

## Coming Up.

Our regular meeting next week, February 13<sup>th</sup> will be a special lunch for members and spouses. See Tom Rockwell for details and to sign up (required).



## District Conference.

Our 2024 District 5160 Conference, Field of Dreams, is scheduled from April 26-28, 2024!

REGISTER NOW for the TEAM 5160 World Series District Conference-MVP Status.

The Conference Hotel, Holiday Inn Sacramento Downtown-Arena is located just steps away from the historic Old

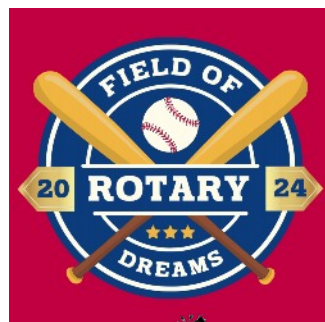
Sacramento Waterfront District.

The Conference Hotel, Holiday Inn, is in the middle of EVERYTHING, with discounted room rates of \$184/night.

Register and book NOW so you don't miss out on early bird rates. Use this link to book rooms: [Rotary5160Booking Link](#)

You can find more information about our Field of Rotary Dreams District Conference, as well as the surrounding Sacramento area right here on the Conference website. If you need assistance, our registration team can be reached at [Registrar@Rotary5160.org](mailto:Registrar@Rotary5160.org).

Full package pricing includes: Friday Night Social; Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner and Sunday breakfast buffet. Dynamic speakers that will motivate and inspire you! Also included; access to all general sessions on Saturday/Sunday; House of Friendship; participate in community service projects and LOTS of fellowship! Registration: \$325 thru April 19, 2024.



[CLICK HERE](#) TO REGISTER

## 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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**Trudy Cumming**

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Membership

**Jerry Benoit**

**Shalini Lugani**

Community Outreach

**Trudy Triner**

Club Hospitality

**Darren Kelly**

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Fellowship

**Jason Callan**

Speaker Committee

**Carolina Alas-Hemphill**

**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**

## February's Team!

Tom Rockwell (Leader)

Trudy Cumming

Layton Hansen

John McClintic

John Gardner

Drew Marshall

Gary Stein

Betsy Yuan

Adrian Mendes

Andy Halperin

## 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](mailto: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=dVBnK1hPV3NhcStWaiU0YXdEQT09>

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)



Includes Piece of Fresh Fruit & Chia  
Seed Pudding  
Gluten Free Bread



No Lunches next week!  
Sign up for the  
Valentine's Day Party!

## 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

## Message from District Governor Claire Roberts

As we reflect on the Rotary monthly theme for February of peace building and conflict resolution, we can ask the question: Is Rotary as a global peace building force?

By carrying out service projects and supporting peace fellowships and scholarships, our members take action to address the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, discrimination, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

As I have had the privilege to visit with Clubs across our District over the past several months, you have shared with me all of the amazing work that you are doing to address these underlying causes.

You are...

- Hosting conversations with partner groups and leaders in our communities to ensure that all voices are heard, all needs identified [sic] and all people are represented as we plan our community projects
- Feeding people, young and old, who aren't sure where their next meal is coming from
- Working with partner organizations to provide safe places for the unhoused to live with safely and with dignity
- Providing clean drinking water to communities around the world
- Actively supporting Rotary's efforts to eradicate Polio so that no child in the world will contract this dread disease in the future
- Improving educational opportunities for students in our local and global communi-

ROTARY IS PEACE. POSITIVE PEACE.

*Today, the world needs  
peace more than ever.*



*Join us. Let's make  
positive change together.*

Multi-District Rotary Peace Conference  
January 24-26, 2025  
DoubleTree by Hilton - Sonoma Wine Country



Rotary  
Districts 5130, 5150, 5160, 5170,  
5180, 5190, 5220, 5230



World Peace  
Conference  
2025



ty so that they can make a better life for themselves and their families

- Supporting relief efforts in the Ukraine and other areas of unrest around the world
- And so much more...

So, my answer is **YES**...Rotary is a peace building force, and we should be proud of that!

Let's commit ourselves to creating additional ways to promote peace so we can leave the world better than we found it.

Thank you for all that you do and will continue to do. GO TEAM 5160!!