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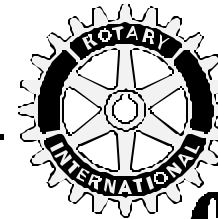
Upcoming Events

This week's Who am I? is Barry Slavin

Upcoming Meeting Programs

- 2006-03-21** Michael Ginsberg -- "Why Pay off Your Home in Half the Time?"
- 2006-03-28** Saul B Drevitch, Head of School -- "How to Choose the Right School for Your Child"
- 2006-04-04** Ms. Kris Hunt -- Financial update for Contra Costa County
- 2006-04-11** David Pastor, Esq. -- Stories from the trenches as told by a criminal defense attorney
- 2006-04-18** Dan Ashley, ABC News Anchor -- Television News, Ratings and Responsibility
- 2006-05-02** Anne Cain -- Why the State Library Bond Measure is Critical for Walnut Creek
- 2006-05-09** Steve Cutright -- Gravity Powered Fun
- 2006-05-16** Carrie Lederer -- Experience Art at the Bedford
- 2006-05-23** Valerie Baroni -- How Smart is Smart Growth?
- 2006-05-30** Gene Farley ? -- What Do the Friends of Civic Arts Education Do?

*For the latest "scoop" on upcoming meeting programs, visit our website and click on the link on the home page:
www.rotarywc.org*



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This Week's Worker Bees

Presiding	Oscar Wu	Ticket Sales.....	Bruce Cockerham
Director.....	Gordon Fischer	Birthdays.....	
Team Captain	Charlotte Quinn	Anniversaries.....	
Thought/Pledge.....	Dick Lam	Song Leader.....	Doug Goodrich
Guest Intro & Mic.....	Gordon Fischer	Bulletin Editor.....	John McClintic
Speaker Intro.....	Lu Hughes	Next Bulletin Editor....	John McClintic
Set-Up/Take-Down..	Bruce Cockerham		

THIS PROGRAM

Walnut Creek Mayor Kathy Hicks

“State of the City”

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**CLUB NO. 465
ROTARY
INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 5160**

Chartered April 7, 1937
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rotary District 5160 90th Birthday Bash and Spring Rotary Foundation Fundraiser

WHO: Open to all "Double Sustainers" and Paul Harris Society Members.

WHERE: Officer's Club, Treasure Island

WHEN: Sunday, April 2, 2006

2 PM: Paul Harris Society Reception

3 PM: Four Way speech contest finals

4:30 PM "Bash" reception & greetings by our group study exchange team from Mexico and silent auction

5:30 PM Gala dinner

COST: \$75.00 per person, Black Tie Optional

Reservations by March 18 to L.O. of Gov. Brian D.

Thiessen, 3200 Danville Blvd, ste. 260, Alamo CA

94507...check, M.C. or VISA

Rotary Peace Fellows Seminar Sunday, April 9th, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Although it seems like only yesterday that the Rotary Peace Fellows Program was established at U.C. Berkeley, the third group of Fellows is now beginning their final semester of studies in peace and conflict resolution. In May these mid-career professionals will leave Berkeley with their new-found knowledge and skills to take on positions of responsibility and influence around the world.

Under the able direction of Professor Edwin Epstein, Director of the Peace Center, these scholars from Pakistan, Brazil, Iceland, Australia, Northern Ireland, Malaysia, and the Philippines have been well prepared to tackle difficult political issues in the world. Needless to say, we will all follow their future careers with a great deal of interest.

The Berkeley Peace Fellows Program has been strongly supported by the five Rotary districts in the San Francisco Bay Area. Rotary Host Area Coordinator Susan Wait,

PDG (D-5160) and District Peace Fellows Chairs Del Raby, PDG (D-5130), Roger Steiner (D-5150), Susan Cohen Grossman (D-5160), Linda Ricketts (D-5170) and Rick Davis (D-5180) have appointed Rotary Counselors for each of the scholars, brought the scholars to district events, publicized Peace Fellows

seminars and spearheaded efforts to find qualified candidates for this prestigious scholarship.

On Sunday, April 9 you will have an opportunity to learn more about the Peace Fellows Program and hear the scholars talk about their areas of study and plans for the future at the Annual Spring Seminar. This year the event is being held at the University YWCA (directly across from the campus at the corner of Bancroft and Bowditch), from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and is open to all Rotarians and their guests. The Rotary Club of Berkeley will host this event.

You have been asking for more interaction with the Peace Fellows, and this year's Annual Spring Seminar will give you an opportunity for that. The scholars will be divided into panels focused on specific topics. After they give brief presentations on their topic, you will be able to ask questions and engage in a dialogue with them.

At noon we will break for lunch and hear Orville Schell, Dean of the Graduate School of Journalism and distinguished author, speak on human rights and Iraq.

If you would like to attend the Annual Spring Seminar for the Peace Fellows Program, send a donation check for \$15 per person to: Susan Cohen Grossman, 743 W. "I" Street, Benicia, CA 94510. Please make your check payable to "Rotary District 5160."

You also can see Jack Matkin for more information.

The Russian Bakers Are Coming...

The annual delegation of Russian Bakers are coming to visit our area during the week of May 6 through May 13, 2006. Please see **Cathy Durfee or Marty Larsen** if you can help as a host family, or with the farewell party on 5/13.

Who am I?

This regular bulletin feature provides some clues about the background of one of our Rotarians. The Members and guests are challenged to guess the name of the featured Rotarian. Answers will be provided in tiny print on the back page.

This week's featured Rotarian says "I graduated from the finest institution in Arizona, the University of Arizona. While I love to play basketball and golf, I am a better baseball player (at least in my own mind) than I am at either of those sports. I love to travel, and every trip I take is a business trip whether it is a vacation trip

or not (a big hint as to his profession). I am a past president of the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek. I am currently affiliated with the City of Walnut Creek in a volunteer appointed capacity. I miss the old days of Rotary team meetings, Yosemite, Beach Boys concerts at the Pavilion, parties at the Mendes Bed & Breakfast. I love to read, do jigsaw puzzles, listen to music, and watch and participate in sporting events. Who am I?

Meeting Attendance Requirements

Our attendance secretary, **Quent Alexander**, provides the following information about attendance requirements:

Rotary International encourages perfect attendance by club members. Missed meetings may be made up by several methods. The easiest method is to attend another Rotary Club meeting. A meeting can be made up as early as two weeks before or up to two weeks after a missed meeting. Rotarians are welcomed at any Rotary Club around the world. A list of all Rotary Clubs can be found on the RI website. The second method is to attend a Rotary District or International function. The third method is to participate in a Team meeting or a club activity. The fourth method is by going to the Rotary E-one Club website and following the "make up" process.

The Rotary Club of Walnut Creek believes that a Rotarian gains most by maintaining "Perfect Attendance" status. To encourage this, the Club has a policy of a ten (\$10) dollar fine for each meeting not made up.

Set Your E-Mail Settings to Allow Email from rotarywc.org

We have noticed that many corporate email systems, and some private systems, have increased their restrictions on in-bound email messages. While this helps cut down on SPAM, it also can block "friendly" messages. Please tell your email administrator to allow email coming from our rotarywc.org domain, or at least from "wclub@rotarywc.org". Please note that the wclub@rotarywc.org address is a new "Club-wide" email address, and replaces the "allmembers" address which was taken over by evil spammers.

New Members

Please welcome our newest members **Mike Kilzer**, of

HUB International Insurance Securities of California, Pleasant Hill, classification "Insurance—Securities", **Jerry Benoit**, classification "Acting", and **David Brilliant**, of Van De Poel & Levy, classification "Attorney", and the following new members inducted during the last six months, **David Hanks**, of Peregrine Lending Corporation, in the classification "Lending—Residential and Commercial", **Bob Romero**, of Great Clips, membership classification "Haircut Salons"; **Cleve Masten**, of Accountants Plus, membership classification "Staffing – Employment".

Invite a Friend or Associate to Try Rotary

Members are urged to invite their friends and associates to a Rotary luncheon or Rotary event. If your guest has an interest in joining our Club or receiving more information, have them either contact Pamela Raumer at 925-274-5740 or praumer@rina.com or better yet, introduce them to Pamela and she will make sure that they receive the Rotary information packet. There is an inventory of Rotary information and applications at our registration desk at our Tuesday meetings - see Hari or Quentin.

Sunshine Committee

Help the Club send good will wishes and support for Rotarians and spouses recovering from surgery or experiencing prolonged illness. Contact **Lee Schneider**.

Get Your Rotary Announcements in the Bulletin: Our regular publishing deadline is Sunday night.

You can phone your bulletin announcements to **John McClintic** by 9:00pm on Sunday to be sure to be included. Call John at 930-7352 and leave your message on the answering machine, or fax to 925-945-8932, or email to johnm@rotarywc.org.