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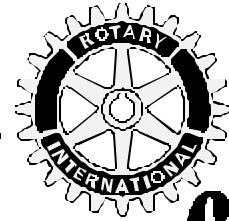
Upcoming Events

This week's Who am I? is Wolf Heinritz

Upcoming Meeting Programs

- April 11** David Pastor, Stores from the trenches as told by criminal defense attorneys
- April 18** Dan Ashley, ABC News Anchor, TV News, Ratings, and Responsibility
- April 24** Linda Johnson, Eldercare Issues in Contra Costa County
- May 2** Anne Cain, Why the State Library Bond is Critical for Walnut Creek
- May 9** Steve Cutright, Gravity Powered Challenges and Diversions
- May 16** Carrie Lederer, Experience Art at the Bedford—It Could Enrich Your Life
- May 23** Valerie Baroni, How Smart is Smart Growth for the Future of Walnut Creek 2025?
- May 30** Nancy and Tom Donahoe, Greeting Gorillas in the Mountain Mists of Rwanda

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



The Walnut Leaf

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This Week's Worker Bees

Presiding	Oscar Wu	Ticket Sales.....	Fletcher Tyler
Director.....	Andy Halperin	Birthdays.....	
Team Captain	Nestor Karas	Anniversaries.....	
Thought/Pledge.....	Andy Halperin	Song Leader.....	Doug Goodrich
Guest Intro & Mic.....	Rick Mathews	Bulletin Editor.....	John McClintic
Speaker Intro.....	John Gardner	Next Bulletin Editor....	John McClintic
Set-Up/Take-Down.....	Pam Raumer		

THIS PROGRAM

Kris Hunt

Financial Update for Contra Costa County

Only 84 Days left for Oscar

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recognitions

We passed the hat for **Tom Rockwell**'s new granddaughter, his first grandchild.

Lu Hughes enjoyed a recent trip to Hawaii.

Tom Noble paid a princely sum to keep unpublished at the Club a recent item from the newspaper. Wonder what it was?

Alex Lommel had a great 95th birthday party with lots of relatives.

Lance Mendes took a quick trip to New York City to hear his daughter and the DLS/Carandolet Jazz Band play Carnegie Hall.

Bob Romero enjoyed a family reunion in Houston with lots of relatives who came up from El Salvador. And we learned that he recently sold his business and got out of an expensive lease...

Lee and Elizabeth Schneider had a nice trip to Phoenix. Elizabeth has been ill recently, but enjoyed the vacation.

March Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following Rotarians celebrating wedding anniversaries in March: **Tom Noble, Ursula Behiel, Hari Boukis, Claudine Fletcher, Jesse Smyers, Christy Devoe.**

Rocky Road Bus Trip Fundraiser for Rotoplast Saturday April 22nd

Join 41 other Rotarians on a fun-filled bus ride across the Bay Bridge, then across the Golden Gate bridge, through Marin to Hanna Winery in Healdsburg, with stops on the way. Cost is \$100. Contact Bill Spaulding of the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek Sunrise at 925-938-0700 or email at wcpca@pacbell.net for reservations. Profits benefit Rotoplast, Rotary's international service program that provides free reconstructive surgery for children with cleft lip and cleft palate and other facial abnormalities. This program changes lives; this is a fun way to be a part of it.

Rotary Peace Fellows Seminar, This Sunday, April 9th, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at **University YWCA (directly across from the UC Berkeley campus at the corner of Bancroft and**

Bowditch)

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.

The Fellows have put together their interactive panel presentations on topics that will be of great interest to Rotarians and guests. The panels are as follows:

Panel I: Women, Children & Human Rights: Problems & Solutions

Moderator: Roger Steiner, Rotary Club of San Francisco

Panel II: Does Aid & Development Promote Peace?

Moderator: Susan Cohen Grossman, Rotary Club of Davis

Panel III: Human Rights & the War on Terrorism

Moderator: Carol Williams, Rotary Club of Berkeley

Panel IV: Regional Conflict & Security in the 21st Century

Moderator: Fred Collignon, Rotary Club of Berkeley

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** 925-743-1692 jackm@rotarywc.org 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** 707-745-1581 cathyd@rotarywc.org or **Marty Larsen** 925-903-7502 if you can backup our host families, drivers, or help with the farewell party on 5/13.

Fishing in the City, Saturday April 22, Heather Farms

John Gardner 925-944-0270 johng@rotarywc.org advises that the Fishing in the City program is revving up again, and the kids have started their in-school curriculum (watersheds, etc.). The day at Heather Farms is Saturday, April 22, and the Department of Fish and Game has scheduled the fish plant for the event. If you can come, please do put it on the calendar. With any luck the rains will be over by then!

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 mystery Rotarian says "My favorite Rotary project was giving the dictionaries to our schoolkids. My favorite Rotary social activity is the Yosemite trip. What I like best about Rotary is the camaraderie among members. My favorite vacation spot is Maui. I love to play golf, write poetry, painting and acting. My fellow Rotarians might not know that I have written plays, and directed and designed sets. I founded my own company in Berkeley 1968, and have worked all over the US, Canada, the middle East and Europe. Lupus lupus is our company logo. I was diagnosed with cancer 1984 and am still in treatment. In 1965 I was the first person to climb the west wall of El Capitan in Yosemite. I am a past president of our club. I wish for all of us to 'Be Well'. Who am I?"

Meeting Attendance Requirements

Our attendance secretary, **Quent Alexander** 925-820-1593 quenta@rotarywc.org, 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

We welcomed our newest member last week, **Leo Silva**, Classification Banking, with The Mechanics Bank, in Walnut Creek.

Be sure also to welcome all of other recent new members, including **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", and **Bob Romero**, of Great Clips, mem-