

# The Walnut Leaf

*The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek*

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## **Rotary International**

International President

**Shekhar Mehta**

India

International President

Elect

**Jennifer Jones**

Canada

International President

Nominee

**Gordon R. McInally**

Scotland

## **District 5160**

District Governor

**Kathy Suvia**

District Governor Elect

**Suzanne Bragdon**

District Governor Nominee

**Claire Roberts**

## **Walnut Creek**

**Club 465**

President

**Peter Kohn**

President Elect

**Gary Stein**



## **Today's Meeting is LIVE and ZOOM!**

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See page 3 for instruction on Zoom meetings.

## **Today we vote on our new officers!**

The slate of future offices proposed by our nominating committee is:

- President 2023/24: **Gordon Fischer**
- Directors 2022/24:
  - ◆ **Jerry Benoit**
  - ◆ **Jason Callan**
  - ◆ **Lance Mendes**
- Continuing positions 2022/23:
  - ◆ Treasurer: **John McClintic**
  - ◆ Secretary: **Marcia Gerg**
  - ◆ Recording Secretary: **Trudy Cumming**

This nomination list has now been published three consecutive weeks in The Walnut Leaf. In accordance with our by laws President **Peter Kohn** will now ask for club approval of these nominations. At that time, there will be an opportunity for further nominations to be made from the members of the club. If there are no further nominations, the vote will be a voice vote. If there are further nominations, the vote is required to be by ballot at this meeting.

## New Member

### Lawrence Kolka,



Larry, with Edward Jones, Inc. in Walnut Creek became our club's newest member at the

last meeting of 2021 when he was inducted by our club president, Peter Kohn. He is shown standing next to Cathy Durfee, his sponsor following the welcoming ceremony!



## Rotarians helping at White Pony Express

Trudy Triner We had a great time sorting and packing food headed for Richmond and Antioch food pantries.. Carolina, Bruce, Trudy T along with John Foley and my Godson, Gregory Done showed to work.



At the end, a man asked how to join Rotary!! Yes, we got his name and num-



ber and invited him to visit in January.....one of the benefits of being visible in the community! And the work continues...

## Service Above Self



As we begin 2022, we wanted to highlight an exemplary Rotarian who truly demonstrates t 'Service Above Self " as an in-

spiration to us all for the coming year. In the last few months , Bruce Johnson has been very active in working to avert food insecurity in Contra Costa County. He has spearheaded two food drives for the City of Walnut Creek, organized both his own neighborhood for one and the entire WC Rotary for the second. He not only organized the effort by working closely with city officials but actively participated in the Saturday effort with other Rotarians and WC citizens and their children. In addition, he has volunteered to sort food at the CC Food Bank and, rounding out the year, worked with

a team of Rotarians and friends at White Pony Express packing fresh produce to be distributed in Antioch and Pittsburg. **Bruce** is truly demonstrating, and modeling for us all, what "Service Above Self" actually looks like in practice! Congratulations **Bruce**! Let's all follow his example as we look for ways to be of service, both close to home and around the world.

## Manos...

**Bob Romero**

Our club, working with the Ecuadorian



clubs of Manta and Salinas, continue with the LN4/Rotary projects.

At the end of last month two more "Hands of Love and Hope" sessions were conducted in Salinas on the 28<sup>th</sup> and 2 weeks earlier Manta.

Happy new year to you and your families.

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## Live Meetings

Members now have the choice of joining our meetings on zoom or attending the live meeting at Heather Farms Garden Center. 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.

## Zoom Meetings

Want to join us by Zoom? The Zoom session starts at 12:20pm so members can gather and chat before the meeting officially opens at 12:30pm.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3315080026>

Meeting ID: 331 508 0026

Local dial-up audio numbers: San Jose 1.669.900.9128 or

Houston 1.346.248.7799.

# 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

## Dinner for RI President Elect



Rotary District 5170 is hosting a special dinner and program featuring Rotary International President-Elect Jennifer Jones on Sunday, February 27, 2022. The dinner will be held at the Blackhawk Museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville CA. The dinner and program are from 7:00-9:00pm.

You are all invited to purchase a ticket. The tickets are \$150/person. Once we determine how many 5160 Rotarians are attending, we will work with the 5170 organizing committee to reserve tables for those of us who want to sit together.

Here is the link to purchase your ticket(s):

<https://events.rotarydistrict5170.org/upcoming-events>

Attendance is limited to 350 people so if you are interest-

## Coming meetings & events...

January 25: Polio: Mike and Marsha Crosby

January 29: Foundation Day [Grant Training]

February 27: RI President Elect Jennifer Jones Dinner



## Club Officers

Immediate Past President

**Cathy Durfee**

Secretary

**Marcia Gerg**

Attendance Secretary

**Trudy Cumming**

Treasurer

**John McClintic**

Sergeant at Arms

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Bulletin Editor

**Clint Collier**

Membership

**Jerry Benoit**

**Cathy Durfee**

2020-2022 Directors

**Jason Callan**

**Ron Wetter**

**Jennifer Stowell**

2021-2023 Directors

**Prem Abraham**

**Darren Kelly**

**Alain Justilien**

## District Officers

Asst. Governor DV8

**Dess Benedetto**

DEI Chairman

**Milt Smith**

Sergeant at Arms

**Layton Hansen**