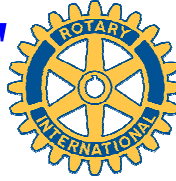


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Thought for the Day: Russ Anderson

Roving Mic: Al Sevilla

Today's Speaker: Christina Cherry, "Paws for Purple Hearts"

Costa Rica Wheelchairs 2016 Project Update.

Thanks to tireless promotional efforts led by **Bob Romero**, we have raised over \$22,000 so far towards our goal of \$33,000 to fund 200 wheelchairs. **All the funds need to be paid in by October 31st so we can order the chairs for delivery approx. May next year. Every \$1 counts! To make a personal donation, give Bob your check or mail in care of The Rotary Club of Walnut Creek, Attn. Bob Romero, P.O. Box 4191, Walnut Creek, CA 94596. Make checks payable to "Wheelchair Foundation" (an IRC 501(c)(3) charity), with notation "Costa Rica Wheelchairs 2016"**

Annual Rotary Club of Walnut Creek/Loaves and Fishes "Texas Hold-em" Poker

Tournament Friday Nov 11th at St Isadore Church, 440 La Gonda Way, Danville. Dinner at 5:30pm; cards fly at 6:30pm. \$55 in advance, \$60 at the door. Register and pay online at www.loavesfishescc.org (type "POKER" in the comments section. See **Carl Manna** for more info on how to pay by check.

District 5160's Golden Gate Fields 10th "Salute to Rotary Foundation" Day at the Races is Saturday November 19th. 10% of the overall net ticket sales from all Rotary Clubs in attendance will be donated to the Rotary International Foundation "Annual Fund". The Turf Club package will include: Valet parking, admission and reserved seating, daily racing program, Turf Club buffet, tax/tip for the food servers. Please pay **Rem Barnard** for your tickets if you have not done so already..

MCC Turkey and Gift Card Drive:

Monument Crisis Center hopes to collect and distribute 1,000 turkeys on November 21. Please give gift card donations to **Jesse Smyers** between now and Nov 21. Jesse also will be here at the Heather Farms Garden Center the morning of the 21st from 9:30 to 11:00 to collect frozen turkeys.

MMC Senior Moments Brunch, Friday

January 6, 8:30am to Noon. Add this to your calendars now, and sign up with **Jesse Smyers** in December. We will be helping again with this fun brunch and bingo program. We will need 10 to 15 Rotary Volunteers. We have participated in this for the past two years and have a great time doing it.

October Birthdays: Many happy returns of the day to the following Rotarians celebrating birthdays this month: **Jean Edwards, Carl Manna, Barry Slavin, Bridget Waller, Sabine Webb, and Bryan Yeh.**

October Anniversaries: Congratulations to the following Rotarians celebrating wedding anniversaries this month: **Ken Anderson, Trudy Cumming, Steve Derby, and Andy Halperin.**



Crab Feed 2017 is Saturday, January 28, Pleasant Hill Community Center. It is time to start working on our major fundraiser for the year.

Start soliciting live and silent auction donations from local individuals and businesses. Chairs are **Jerry Benoit and Gary Stein** (live auction) and **Marcia Gerg, Jean Edwards, Jason Callan, and Mary Azevedo** (silent) auction.

Buy tickets now. See **Bob Morgan** or buy online at www.my-gala.com. Every Rotarian is expected to buy at least 4 tickets.

Bring in your wine donations for the wine barrel auction and raffle. Do your bargain shopping now; every Rotary is expected to donate two bottles of premium (\$25 per bottle value) wine. Or give a check for \$50 to **Gordon Fischer** and he will shop for you.

Join a committee to help out at the event, including Bar (**John Fenoglio**), Kitchen (**Mike Lommel**), Clean-up (**Richard Hsu and Mike Lommel**), Check-Out (**Layton Hansen**). Or ask **Trudy Triner**, the event Chair for 2017.

Upcoming Club Meetings and Events:

Nov 1 Mike Crosby, "Blind Spots—Why Sometimes We Fail to Do What's Right, and What to Do About It

Nov 8 The Annual Visit of our District 5160 Governor, Fred Collignon

Nov 11 Our Annual Joint Poker Event with Loaves and Fishes at St. Isadore Church. 5:30 dinner. 6:30 cards fly. See **Carl Manna**.

Nov 15 Martha Carlson, Contra Costa County Meals on Wheels

Nov 22 Scott Denison, Leshner Center for the Arts and Walnut Creek Walking Tours

Nov 29 Jane Louie and Don Jenkins, Rotary International Foundation and Community Foundation

Dec 20 Our Holiday Party, 6-10pm at Boundary Oak. \$40.00 per person, including music, entertainment, and also a great dinner. For more info, contact **Jean Edwards** 925-899-0727, jedwards1007@comcast.net

Be a Sponsor! We encourage all individuals, families, and businesses to be recognized as key sponsors of this fabulous event. See your ad or photo prominently displayed in the event program and on the big screens at the event! **Bronze (\$250) and ALL OTHER SPONSOR LEVELS** include an ad or photo in the event program and in the video slide show during the event. **Silver (\$500)** also includes 2 tickets to the event, 1 bottle of premium wine, and 5 raffle tickets. **Gold (\$1,000)** also includes 4 tickets to the event, 2 bottles of premium wine, and 10 raffle tickets. **Platinum (\$1,700)** also includes a Premium Seating Reserved table for 10; plus a Special Live Auction Raffle Ticket (\$100); 2 bottles of premium wine; 20 wine barrel raffle tickets; a table sponsorship sign; and logo and name recognition in press releases. **Pop-Ups for Re-Ups!** Renewing Platinum Level sponsors also will have a permanent "pop-up" banner displayed at this year's event and at all future crab feed events they sponsor.