Upcoming Events

April 22-29, Russian Entrepreneur Program. See Russ Anderson to host our visitors.
May 8 Sunrise Rotary Club “Cinco de Mayo” Fundraiser, Civic Park Auditorium.
Sunday, May 16, Jazz Festival/Picnic Fundraiser, Borges Ranch, Noon to 4pm
May 29-31, Rotary District Conference, Redding.
Saturday, February 5, 2005, our next Crab Feed Fundraiser. Mark your calendars now.

Upcoming Meeting Programs

March 9 Carolyn Wu, Assistant to the White House Chief of Staff During Clinton’s Presidency
March 16 Past Presidents, Past WC Rotary Club Presidents Day
March 23 Nicholas Vaca, Author of “The Presumed Alliance: The Unspoken Conflict Between Blacks and Latinos and What It Means to America”
March 30 State Parks Speaker on the History of Benicia as California’s Capital
April 6 Joint Meeting with Rossmoor Club at

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

This Week’s Worker Bees

Presiding ......................... Jack Fischer
Team Captain .................. Jack Matkin
Thought/Pledge.................... Oscar Wu
Guest Intro & Mic........ Fletcher Tyler
Speaker Intro.................... John McClintic
Set-Up/Take-Down.......... Jack Matkin
Ticket Sales..................... Stan Hill

Birthdays.......................
Anniversaries........
Song Leader............... Doug Goodrich
Bulletin Editor......... John McClintic
Next Bulletin Editor... John McClintic
This year’s District 5160 Conference is in Redding, April 29 - May 1, 2004

Make Your Lodging Reservations Now! Discounted rates end March 27, 2004. Support these Rotarian owned hotels: Best Western - 2300 Hilltop Drive - Redding, CA 96002 (530) 221-6100 / (800) 336-4880 Full Buffet Breakfast for Rotarians! Rotarian Room Rate $89.00 (excluding taxes and fees); or the Holiday Inn - 1900 Hilltop Drive - Redding, CA 96002 (530) 221-7500 - http://www.meyercrest.com Rotarian Room Rate $84.00 (excluding taxes and fees).


Conference Fee (includes registration, programs, and Fri. & Sat. meals) Rotarians $195; Non-Rotarian Guest $145; Golf/Sports Day-Thursday, April 29 at the Gold Hills Golf Club-Green Fees, Cart, Lunch & Dinner $75; Dinner $20 (No-Host Cocktails start at 6pm).

Please contact Russ Anderson if you can help host Russian visitors from April 22-29. This our eighth year of participation in this program which gives enthusiastic Russian entrepreneurs an intensive week-long close-up look at how US businesses work. We would like to find two more host families who each can host two visitors. Hosts provide breakfast and dinner, and transport to and from a central location each day. A farewell party also will be held at the Mendes home at the end of the week. We also need a driver for each day for our donated 15 passenger van.

2003-2004 Community Service Grants and Projects

Our Club and our affiliated Community Foundation have been involved with the following Grants and Projects during 2003-2004.

Grants:

- Dictionaries for Walnut Creek Schools’ fourth graders $2649.50
- Camp Royal and Venture Scholarships $2,150.00
- Special Olympics $865.00
- WCPD DARE / Every 15 minutes (High school DUI program) $2,500.00
- Garden Center at Heather Farms (out door shaded classroom) $2,500.00
- Ruth Bancroft Garden (high school curriculum for garden science) $1,000.00
- Family Stress Center (Walnut Creek) (Child safety program) $2,000.00
- Las Lomas High School Scholarship $1,000.00

In addition to the above Grants and Projects, the Club also has pledged $17,000.00 to the Polio Plus program for the three years 2002-2005. As of the end of December 2003 we only had $3,501.00 to go to fully fund our pledge.

Prospective Member

Jan Wescorf, Chiropractor, and Michael DeMeo, of the Michael DeMeo Insurance Agency (State Farm), have been proposed for membership. Please provide any comments to Club Secretary, Clint Collier.

Sunshine Committee

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