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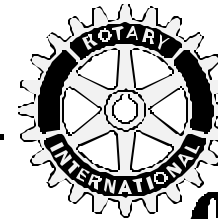
Upcoming Events

Tuesday, Dec 6th Our Annual Holiday party, at Oscar and Tessie Wu's house, 5-9pm.
Saturday, Feb 4th, Crab Feed 2006. Our annual fundraiser.
Who am I? Bruce Cockerham

Upcoming Meeting Programs

Nov 22nd Kevin Sanchez, The Trip Up Kilimanjaro to Celebrate the Big Four Ooh
Nov 29th Doug Goodrich, Why Investing in the Rotary Foundation Makes Good Sense

For the latest "scoop" on upcoming meeting programs, visit our website and click on the link on the home page:
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The Walnut Leaf

ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK

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This Week's Worker Bees

PresidingOscar Wu	Ticket Sales.....Alex Lommel
Director.....Milt Smith	Birthdays.....Barry Slavin
Team CaptainGary Pokorny	Anniversaries.....
Thought/Pledge.....Zach Sahar	Song Leader..... Doug Goodrich
Guest Intro & Mic.....Bill Larmer	Bulletin Editor..... John McClintic
Speaker Intro.....Gary Pokorny	Next Bulletin Editor.... John McClintic
Set-Up/Take-Down.....Jack Fischer	

THIS PROGRAM

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Center Rep on the Brink of 40 Years

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Holiday Party, Tuesday, December 6th, 5pm to 9pm at the Wu Home
Mark your calendars for Tuesday night December 6th. Our annual holiday party will be from 5pm to 9pm at the home of Oscar and Tessie Wu. We will have a wine bar, with hors'd oeuvres from the membership. See **Pam Raumer** to help with planning.

Reno Train Trip 2006—January 22-23

Rotarians are encouraged to see **Fletcher Tyler** and **Randy Walker** to sign up for the 2006 Reno trip. \$240 single, \$220 double occupancy. Hotel TBD. We need your money now to reserve the few spaces allotted to us. This is a fabulous ride through the snow-covered Sierras, with lots of fun in Reno before the trip back. The trip is open to Rotarians only.

Crab Feed 2006—Saturday February 4th at Concord Centre

Dan Ashley of Channel 7 is going to be emcee for our Crabfeed this year. This year's crab feed fundraiser will be Saturday, February 4th, at Centre Concord, the same location as prior years. This is our major fund-raiser for the Community Foundation.

Tickets are available now. See **Mitch Ambro**. Buy a table of ten and reserve an entire table for your group. Buy less than 10 and buy a sponsorship for a table and you can select your seating location.

There are a number of ways you can help with our annual fund raising Crab Feed! Numerous working committees need help. If you would like to help in one of these areas contact the listed Rotarian who is in charge of this portion of the event!

- Silent Auction – Lu Hughes
- Live Auction – Bob Morgan
- Reverse Draw – Layton Hansen
- Greeting and Check In – Bruce Johnson
- Drink Service – Andy Halprin

- Kitchen – Pam Raumer
- Raffle – Lance Mendes
- Wine Barrels – Gordon Fischer
- Cleanup – Clive Masten

Additionally we are looking for the support of every member of the club by...

- Purchasing at least 4 tickets and brining a couple of friends.
- Donating an item, through your team, for the Silent Auction.
- Helping your team develop at least one item for the Live Auction.
- Donating 2 bottles of wine for the Wine Barrels (no two-buck-chuck please!).

Kohoku Exchange Student Program 2006

It is now time to start thinking about who will represent our club next year as our 39th Kohoku Exchange Student. This is a fantastic opportunity and life changing experience for the chosen student who will represent our club as the 39th ambassador that we will send to Japan. Listed below are the basic requirements and timing for this program.

Who Is Eligible: Our first choice is to have a child or grandchild of a Walnut Creek Rotarian represent us. If this cannot be done we will extend our search to nieces and nephews. We have found it is best for the participant to be at least 19 years old and a college student and it is even better if they are a few years older. The older and more mature the participant, the more they get out of it and the better the ambassador they are.

When Is The Exchange: The student leaves for Japan in the second to third week of July and is gone for four weeks. Please check your school schedule carefully before applying.

What Is Expected Of the Participant: The chosen participant is expected to be a model citizen while in Japan and remember at all times that they are representing our Club, Rotary, and our Country in a program that has existed for 39 years. They are also expected to act accordingly and appropriately at all times during the exchange and be open to new experiences as they learn about a very different foreign culture.



What Is Expected Of the Participant's Family: The family is expected to host the incoming student for 4-5 days, preferably after our student returns home. They are also expected to be actively involved with the arrival and send off of the incoming Japanese student. They are also expected to organize and run the following year's exchange program.

What Cost Is Involved: The club pays for the airfare and all living expenses are paid for by the host families in Japan, just as we do on this end. The participant only needs to take spending money for shopping and incidentals.

By the end of 2005 we would like to have this person and a back up identified. If you have someone who is interested in being considered be sure they are aware of what is involved and are willing to accept all of the aforementioned conditions and then contact Rick Mathews @ rbm8@sbcglobal.net. Each candidate should submit a resume which spells out who they are, how they are related to Rotary, how old they are, what they are doing with their life, why they think they would be the ideal ambassador for this exchange, any other pertinent information that would enhance their candidacy, how they can be reached, and when they will be available to interview if away at school. We will plan on interviewing candidates in December and make a decision around the first of 2006.

Who Am I?

This regular feature provides some clues about the background of one or two 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, our featured Rotarian says that his favorite Rotary activities are working for Community Foundation, and hosting the visiting Russian bakers' delegation and the Kohoku exchange student. He says that what he likes best about Rotary is "being part of a fellowship that is worldwide, united in service to others." His favorite vacation spots are summer and winter camping in the Sierra Nevada mountains (often with a friend of over 40 years), and trips with his wife to their second home in Brookings, Oregon. He also enjoys wine making, and brewing beer, at home. He is a past president, and retired from his career in municipal law enforce-

ment. And, here's something we may not have heard before: he survived a mid-air collision in the skies over Southern California in 1978.

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New Members

Please welcome our recently inducted new members, **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" **Cathy Durfee**, Greater Bay Bank, Classification "Banking – Commercial, **Evelyn Ponce**, Mechanics Bank, "Banking—Management", **Renee Hamilton**, Classification "Assisted Living", **Christy DeVoe**, Sierra Surgery Center, classification "Medical – Nurse", **Dick Lam**, classification "Attorney-Tax", **Bert Payne** of Starcare International, Inc., healthcare consultant, and **Mitch Ambro**, The Mortgage Practice, mortgage broker.

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**.