



Rotary Club Of Walnut Creek  
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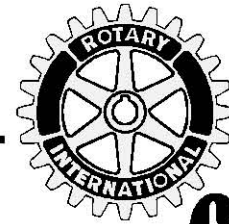
**Upcoming Meetings:**

- 2007-03-27 Jack Roddy -- Rodeo Show for IHOUSE students
- 2007-04-10 -- SIDS Organization
- 2007-04-17 Ethan Rotman -- The Art of Public Speaking
- 2007-04-24 Ranjit Chakravorti -- WCS Grants Chair for District 5160
- 2007-05-01 Jeanette Engle Ramirez -- Neuroscience at John Muir Health
- 2007-05-08 Carl Manna -- Diabetic Youth Foundation
- 2007-05-15 Peggy White -- Diablo Regional Arts Association
- 2007-05-22 Mayor Sue Rainey -- Update on the State of the City
- 2007-05-29 John McClintic -- Project Second Chance

**Upcoming Events:**

- May 5<sup>th</sup>. District 5160 Family Fun Day and BBQ at Western Railway Museum
- June 30<sup>th</sup>, District 5160 Sundial Bridge Dinner Dance, Redding
- Feb 2, 2008. Rotary Club of Walnut Creek Crab Feed Fundraiser

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



# The Walnut Leaf

**ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK**

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**People In Charge this Week**

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|--------------------|----------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Presiding .....    | Clint Collier  | Thought/Pledge.....    | Phil Eyring     |
| Director.....      | Lu Hughes      | Song Leader.....       |                 |
| Team Captain ..... | Bryan Yeh      | Guest Intro & Mic....  | Bruce Cockerham |
| Meeting Setup..... | Bryan Yeh      | Birthdays.....         |                 |
| Greeter.....       | Sal Flavetta   | Anniversaries.....     | Bryan / Kim     |
| Ticket Sales.....  | Gordon Fischer | Speaker Intro.....     | Bryan Yeh       |
|                    |                | Meeting Take-Down..... | Bryan Yeh       |

**Today's Program:**

**Bud Wolf**  
**Child Abuse Prevention**

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**CLUB NO. 465  
ROTARY  
INTERNATIONAL  
DISTRICT 5160**

Chartered April 7, 1937

William B Boyd  
International President

*Lead The Way*

Candy Pierce  
District Governor

Stan Smalley  
District  
Governor Elect

Clint Collier  
President

Pam Raumer  
President-Elect

Oscar Wu  
Immediate Past President

Hari Boukis  
Secretary

Quentin Alexander  
Attendance Secretary

Cathy Durfee  
Treasurer

Mitch Ambro  
Sergeant At Arms

John Gardner  
Jack Fischer  
New Member Coord.

Hari Boukis  
Webmaster

John McClintic  
Bulletin Editor

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Andy Halperin  
Milt Smith  
Tom Noble  
2006-2008

Charlotte Quinn  
Nestor Karas  
Lu Hughes

Trustees  
Oscar Wu  
Clint Collier

Pam Raumer  
Russ Anderson  
Bob Morgan

Tom Rockwell  
Gordon Fischer  
Charlotte Quinn

John Millsap  
Gill Bordenave  
Carl Manna  
Jesse Smyers

## Announcements:

### New Club Bulletin Distribution Policy

**President Clint** has announced the following new policy regarding mailing of the Club Bulletin, the Walnut Leaf.

In the past we have mailed a copy of the Walnut Leaf to those members who were not present at a meeting. On the surface this does not appear to be cost effective nor a needed service. We want to try a new way of servicing any member's need for these past issues.

- Please note that prior issues of the Walnut Leaf are available on the Club website [www.rotarywc.org](http://www.rotarywc.org).
- The attendance secretary will maintain a printed supply of the four most current issues. A member who has missed a meeting and desires a copy of the Leaf for that missed meeting can obtain one of these copies as needed.
- For members planning an extended absence from the Club two options are available:

○ The member can request in advance that copies of the Leaf be held specifically for them. The attendance secretary will have envelopes for this and the member can then pick up that envelope upon their return. If the absence will be four weeks or longer, the member can give the attendance secretary a forwarding address different from their home address and we will mail each copy to that address for the member.

### Rotary International Foundation Secretary Needed for Our Club

**Layton Hansen** needs to hand over his duties as RI Foundation Secretary for our Club to another member as he prepares to serve as President of our Club for 2008-2009.

Basic duties are processing and mailing to the Rotary International Foundation all donations made by our members. Layton has set up a tracking database using Excel and has scanned the RI donation form into a Word document. He has a file setup with each member's information that is required to be entered on the form when the member makes a donation. Thus, having access to Excel and Word on your computer is a big help for this job.

Please contact Layton at the meeting or by email to [laytonh@rotarywc.org](mailto:laytonh@rotarywc.org) if you are interested so that he can train you between now and July.

### Fishing in the City—April 14<sup>th</sup>

This year's Fishing in the City outing with Walnut Creek 4<sup>th</sup> grade students at Heather Farms Park is Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am to 11:30am. Contact **John Gardner**, [johng@rotarywc.org](mailto:johng@rotarywc.org) 925-944-0270 if you are interested in helping with this event.

### Good News for the Sunrise Cafe

Two weeks ago, **Joe Stein** reported to us that his family's Sunrise Café restaurant and catering business had to shut down due to a problem with electrical service to the property they lease on California Blvd near Newell (adjacent to Pinky's Pizza parlor). Things looked bad for Sunrise and Pinky's while the landlord and PG&E argued for over a month about who was responsible for the fixing the outage. Fortunately, thanks in part to a large showing of community support, PG&E got power restored last Friday (just before a large public rally was scheduled for 10am Saturday morning). Several Rotarians, including, Clint Collier, Jerry Benoit, Louis Ramirez-Aquedelo and John McClintic, and their families were in the crowd on Saturday morning, celebrating the good news. Good luck to Joe and Sunrise!

### Recognitions

**Joe Stein** also reported happy news that he was married earlier this month.

**Jerry Benoit** enjoyed his recent trip to Ireland.

Sgt at Arms, **Mitch Ambro**, recovered his "stolen" hat of office.

**Jack Matkin** received another Paul Harris jewel in his pin for his matching contributions for the Wheelchair fund project. Jack's work also resulted in matching funds from Redding Rotary and the Rotary Club of Shanghai which handled distribution of the chairs.

### Birthdays for March

Many happy returns of the day to the following Rotarians celebrating birthdays in March: **Louis Ramirez-Aquedelo, Bob Travale, Gill Bordenave, Ken Anderson, Dick Mortensen, Alex Lommel.**

### Sunshine Report

**President Clint** returned to duty after back surgery. We wish him a continued good recovery.

**Quent Alexander** suffered quite a setback in recovery from knee surgery. A persistent infection required the removal of his artificial knee joint so that his medical

care providers can attempt to eliminate the infection. **Quent** is living at Manor Care on Rossmoor Parkway for 4-5 weeks. Hopefully by the end of that time the infection will be cured and his artificial knee can be reinstalled. **You can reach Quent directly at 925-935-9611.**

### Kohoku Exchange Student Announced

**Cathy Durfee** reports that the Club has selected **Collin Mathews** (son of **Rick** and Christine Mathews) to be our representative to the Rotary Club of Tokyo—Kohoku Exchange program this summer.

### Rotary International Convention—Salt Lake City, Utah June 17-20, 2007

Experience the energy of thousands of fellow Rotarians from around the world at daily plenary sessions at the Salt Palace Convention Center. This year's program promises sensational entertainment, stirring speeches, and inspirational opening and closing ceremonies, including a performance by renowned New Zealand opera singer Dame Malvina Major. For reservation and registration information, go to <http://www.rotary.org/events/conventions/2007/how-to-register.html>

### Rotary International Membership Conference August 17-18

Rotary International is holding a series of membership promotion conferences this summer. Our local conference will be August 17-18 at the Doubletree Hotel in San Jose. Additional details will be announced at a later date.

### Rotary Poker Tournament, Sat May 19<sup>th</sup>, Martinez

Get your \$100 entry fee to **Mitch Ambro** (866) 842-1420 [mitcha@rotarywc.org](mailto:mitcha@rotarywc.org) to secure your spot in the Rotary poker tournament on Sat May 19<sup>th</sup> in Martinez.

### Show that Rotary Pride—Wear Your Rotary Pins 24/7

Don't keep Rotary a secret. Spread the word by wear-

ing your favorite Rotary pin 24/7. We have lots of styles and sizes. Pres Clint is ruthless and relentless on this issue. Avoid a \$15 recognition fee for being caught naked without your pin.

### Paul Harris Sustaining Membership Status 2006-2007 Rotary Year

#### District Fundraiser -- Raffle

We are only at 55% participation as Paul Harris Sustaining Members for this Rotary Year. Remember the motto "\$100 Every Rotarian Every Year." An easy way to fulfill your sustaining membership commitment is to buy 5 raffle tickets for our annual District 5160 fundraiser. Not only will you have a chance to win fabulous trips and other prizes, you also be credited with having met you Paul Harris Sustaining Membership contribution for the year. Please see **Rem Barnard** 925-939-6209, [remb@rotarywc.org](mailto:remb@rotarywc.org).

#### -- Family Fun at Western Railway Museum, May 5<sup>th</sup>

Mark your calendars for this family-oriented event for Rotarians and their families. This will be a day of fun at the Western Railway Museum located on Highway 12 between Fairfield and Rio Vista. The event includes a BBQ, train rides, silent auction, music, and fellowship. Information to follow at [www.rotary5160.org](http://www.rotary5160.org).

#### -- Sundial Bridge Dinner Dance, Redding, June 30<sup>th</sup>

Mark your calendars for this "adult-oriented" dinner dance will ring out the old Rotary year and ring in the new. Experience the magic as the sun sets on one end of the bridge and the moon rises on the other. Information to follow at [www.rotary5160.org](http://www.rotary5160.org).

### Membership Changes

**David Brilliant** has resigned from the Club. **Karen Horrigan** has taken over his position as Team Leader for Team 4 (April) and will continue in that role for Team 4 next year.