



The Walnut Leaf

ROTARY CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK

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People In Charge this Week

Presiding	Pam Raumer	Thought/Pledge.....	Kim Brandt
Director.....	Lu Hughes	Song Leader.....	Lu Hughes
Team Captain	Mike Kilzer	Guest Intro & Mic.....	Kim Brandt
Meeting Setup.....	Gordon Fischer	Birthdays.....	Bryan Yeh
Greeter.....	Rod Uffindell	Anniversaries.....	
Ticket Sales.....	Lu Hughes	Speaker Intro.....	Tom Rockwell
		Meeting Take-Down....	Gordon Fischer

Today's Program:

Joey Bozik

Notices:

Crab Feed Fundraiser Saturday, Feb 2, 2008

Buy your tickets

Bring in your wine

Get Donations

Upcoming Meetings:

2008-01-15 Sheila Hurst -- China Wheel Chair Report
2008-01-22 Robert Miller -- National Fragile X
2008-01-29 David Schmit -- Indian Gaming Impact on California
2008-02-12 Neil Reeder -- Challenge Day Organization
2008-02-19 Terri A. Khonsari -- Raising a Superstar
2008-02-26 Bahrem Shahmardaan -- Five Systems of Medicine

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

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Announcements:

We have lots to do at our meetings, so let's be seated by 12:25pm...

President Pam again asks that we allow sufficient time to get to the meeting, check in, go through the buffet line, and be seated so that we are ready to start by 12:25pm. This also will allow us more time for conversation and socializing before-hand, one of the purposes of Rotary...

Crab Feed Fundraiser Saturday, Feb 2, 2008

Our 10th annual crab feed is Saturday, February 2, 2008. Buy your tickets now from **Bob Romero**, \$40 per person with checks payable to WCRCCF (Walnut Creek Rotary Club Community Foundation). Be sure to ask for a "chicken sticker" for your ticket if you want chicken instead of crab. And please line up auction items; **Valerie Ridgers** is the contact for the silent auction and **Mitch Ambro** is the contact for the live auction. For corporate sponsorships, contact **Milt Smith**. Contact **Layton Hansen** laytonh@rotarywc.org or 925-686-5148 for other information or questions.

Every member is asked to bring in 2 bottles of premium wine for the wine barrel auction and wine barrel raffle. See **Gordon Fischer** with your donations (or bring a check for \$50 and Gordon will shop for you).

Paul Harris #4 for Clint Collier

Thanks to **Clint Collier** for completing his fourth "Paul Harris Fellow" contribution to

the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International and earning another jewel for his Paul Harris pin.

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships

Rotary District 5160 is seeking qualified applicants within our community for Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships for the Rotary year 2009 - 2010. The scholarships are designed to further international understanding and goodwill. They provide for study abroad in more than 150 countries where Rotary Clubs are located. Some 800 scholarships of various types are available worldwide. Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarships are for one academic year abroad and provide a flat grant of US\$23,000 or equivalent. There are also multi-year scholarships available. Rotary offers study abroad programs for Language, 3 and 6 months with a stipend of \$10,000 and \$15,000 respectively. Academic 1 year and 2 years is \$23,000. University teaching grants are \$12,500 for 3 - 5 months and \$22,500 for 6 - 10 months.

Rotary Jackets are Here!

Karen Horigan reports that the Rotary Jackets have arrived, and are available for pick up. Please give Karen your check for the \$40 (or \$42 for the larger sizes) purchase price, plus any extra donation you may have noted at the time of your order.

Membership Activity

Be sure to welcome our new members, **Lonnie Finkel**, of the Finkel Law Group, classification "Law", **Sandy Garry**, transferring back to our Club from the Pinnacle Peak—Scottsdale Rotary Club in Phoenix, **Lauren M. Kraus**, Coldwell Banker, classification "Real Estate", **Jane Dirito**, Dirito Bros VW-Saab-Nissan, Classification "Auto Retail--Retired", **Brenda Goodrich**, Goodrich Ad Valorem Property Tax Services, Classification "Property Tax Consulting", and **Dess Benedetto**, an estate planning attorney with the Family Trust Law Center.

Invite a Prospective Member to Join Us for Lunch

Here's how it works. You invite your prospect to a Club lunch meeting. You pay the prospect's lunch tab for the first visit. The prospect can visit two more times, and the Club will pay the cost. If the prospect joins, the Club also will reimburse you for the first lunch. See page 38 of this month's Rotary Magazine for a great introduction to Rotary projects to introduce prospective members to the Rotary world.

Upcoming Club Meetings/Events: Plan to attend these Club meetings and invite a guest!

January 15 Sheila Hurst -- China Wheel Chair Report
January 22 Robert Miller -- National Fragile X Foundation
Fragile X is a family of genetic conditions, which can impact individuals and families in various ways.
January 29 David Schmit -- Indian Gaming Impact on California
February 12 Neil Reeder -- Challenge Day Organization
February 19 Terry A Khonsari -- Raising a Superstar

Reno Train Trip, January 13-14

Money is due now. See **Randy Walker or Fletcher Tyler** for possible additional registrations for the Annual East Bay Rotary Reno Inter-City Train Trip. Lodging will be in the East Wing at Harrah's, \$265 per person single occupancy. We already have 18 members going, and we have room for more.

Annual District Conference Thursday April 24 to Saturday April 26, 2008

On April 24-26, 2008, the annual District Conference will be held at the Sacramento Radisson Hotel. There's something for everyone: Rotary Conference, Golf Event, Poker Tournament, a Rotary Club Hospitality Party in the theme of the Prospectors (think Gold Rush era, Paint Your Wagon). The pricing is reasonable, the lodging is inexpensive. And a 25% discount for registering before December 31, 2007. Go to www.rotary5160.org and get all the details. Important Note: Lodging is lim-

ited. Call now for room reservations: Radisson Hotel Reservations [500 Leisure Lane](http://500LeisureLane.com), Sacramento, CA 95815 Thursday, April 24 through Saturday, April 26, 2008. Or check rates and availability at www.radisson.com. Enter "D5160" into the promotional code box for special member rates: Single or double: \$93 Triple: \$103 Quad: \$113 Waterfront rooms are available for an additional \$30 per room.

District Golf Tournament Thursday April 24, Noon

District 5160 also will hold a Golf Tournament the first day of the District Conference, Thursday, April 24, at noon at Teal Bend Golf Club, in Sacramento. \$100 registration includes 1 dinner ticket. Dinner tickets alone are available at \$37.50. Get a registration form at www.rotary5160.org.

District Poker Championship Thursday April 24, 5pm

District 5160 also will hold a Texas Hold-em Poker Tournament the first night of the District Conference, Thursday, April 24, at 5pm. \$199 registration includes 2 dinner tickets, 2 - \$20 rebuys, and 1- \$40 Add-on. Additional Club players can register for \$100 each, including 1 dinner ticket. Dinner tickets alone are available at \$37.50. Get a registration form at www.rotary5160.org