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Thought for the Day: Marty Larsen

Roving Mic: Rod Uffindell

**Today's Speaker: “Tanzania”, Mary Azevedo, Rem Barnard, Clint Collier,
and Karen Lile**



10:30am to 8pm, Six Flags/Discovery Kingdom. Celebrate the 100th anniversary of our District, the induction of all District club presidents, and a day of fun and fellowship with our families and friends. \$45 ticket price includes all you can eat picnic lunch including Fried Chicken, Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Garden Salad, Baked Beans, Ice Cream & Soda in the private picnic groves from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. \$5 for every ticket sold goes to the Rotary Foundation. **TICKETS ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THE PARK.** Go to www.SixFlags.com/DiscoveryKingdom, and use promo code: ROTARY in the upper right-hand corner. Six Flags Season Pass Holders can purchase a meal-only voucher for \$25 each. Space is limited; buy your tickets by August 21. Questions? Call 707-556-5228 or email cjuarez@sftp.com.

Exchange Student Arrival: Our 2016 Kohoku Exchange Student, Ms. Honami Kageyami, will be arriving at SFO on August 30th at 5pm. Her welcome party is Sept 6th at 5:30pm. Her farewell party is Sept 15 at 5:30pm at the home of Richard Hsu. She will

join us for our Yosemite weekend Sept 16-18. She departs from SFO 11am Sept. 25.

Honami is open to any type of experience we can provide her. **Richard Hsu** is passing around a hosting calendar.

Exchange Student Departure. Esther Hsu is now in Japan visiting with the Rotary Club of Tokyo-Kohoku. Esther is a junior at UCSB, majoring in Physics and a frequent volunteer at our Crab Feed Fundraiser and other events.



“Relive the Memories”, as we Bring Back the Yosemite Weekend, September 16-18.

See our host and organizer **Fletcher Tyler** for information.

We will enjoy wine tasting, swimming, rafting, hiking, and group dinners. You need to arrange your own lodging. Options include: 1. The **BIG TREES LODGE** (formerly known as Wawona Hotel) Call for reservations (888) 413-8869. 2. **PRIVATE HOMES** for rent in Wawona - Log on to the Website: redwoodsinyosemite.com. or call for reservations (877) 753-8566. 2 or 3 couples might choose to share the cost of a home. This is where the Tyler's home is and we will have a Saturday night BBQ for all. 3. **WAWONA CAMPGROUND**. 4. **TENAYA LODGE** in Fish Camp, about 3 miles outside the South Entrance to the Park, about 9 miles from Wawona. Call for reservations (888) 514-2167.



**50th Anniversary Rotary
Exchange Student
Celebration with the Rotary
Club of Tokyo-Kohoku
Japan, Honolulu, Hawaii.
Oct. 8-14, 2016.** Let Clint

Collier know if you are coming
and see his email message and flyer for
details! [Click this Link to the Registration
Website.](#)

**Rotary Community Service Project October
8th 9AM to Noon.** Volunteers are needed to
assemble and install benches for the Rotary
amphitheater at Borges Ranch. See **Jesse
Smyers** or **Don Willoughby**.

**Nicaragua LN-4 Artificial Hand Project, Oct.
21, 22 and 23, Managua, Nicaragua.** We are
going to do an LN-4 project with the Rotary
Managua-Tiscapa Club that helped us with our
"Agua Nicaragua" water project. **Bob Romero**
will lead the travel, departing on Oct 19 or 20.
We can stay an additional 3 or 4 more days Oct
24-26 and visit the country. **Please contact Bob
Romero** romero425@aol.com 925-256-8470.

**Crab Feed 2017 is Saturday, January 28. It
will be held at the Pleasant Hill Community
Center.** This is a new venue for us and recently
remodeled.

Paul Harris Fellow Recognition: Bob Morgan
achieved his fourth Paul Harris Fellow
recognition level. That recognizes 4 x \$1,000 in
contributions to the Rotary Foundation of Rotary
International.

Recognitions: Thanks to Team 1 for a great
month of programs and meetings in June.

Sunshine Committee Report: **Marv Epstein**
is in hospice care. We sent him a card with our
best wishes. **Trudy Triner** is recovering from a
broken femur sustained while out running. She
is in good spirits following surgery and hopes to
be with us soon.

**MMC Back to School Backpack Project
Report:** Thanks to the many Rotarians and
friends who made generous donations to the
Monument Crisis Center annual back to school
backpack project. Our donations included 20
full backpacks plus \$785 in cash which will be
used to purchase and supply additional
backpacks.

**Cochabamba Bolivia "Bridges to Prosperity"
Project Report:** **Darren Kelly** provided a brief
presentation about this new international service
project being led by our Club and the Rotary
Club of Concord, and our international partner,
the Rotary Club of Cochabamba Bolivia. This
project will construct 3 pedestrian bridges across
dangerous creeks in the remote mountains of
Bolivia, allowing the communities year-around
access to their growing fields and for their
children to attend school. Our grant proposal
has been reviewed by District 5160, and is now
being revised for submittal for matching funds
from the Rotary Foundation. This is an
approximately \$85,000 project and also includes
training local individuals to maintain the
bridges, and to use improved agricultural
techniques to improve their crop yields.

Proposed Member: Jason Callan is proposed
for membership, sponsored by Trudy Triner.
Jason is the librarian for SF law firm Davis
Wright Tremaine LLP. Jason lives in Walnut
Creek. Please provide any comments to the
Club secretary.

Upcoming Club Meetings and Events:

- Aug 16 "Broadway Plaza"
- Aug 23 Ethan Bindermagel, "Walnut Creek Economic Development Overview"
- Sat Aug 27 Rotary District 5160 Foundation Fun Day at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom. \$45 includes lunch.
- Aug 30 Drew Marshall, "Sleep Apnea"
- Sep 6 Bob Romero and David Behring, "Costa Rica Wheelchairs 2016 Project"
- Sept 20 Our annual lunch meeting at John Muir Medical Center, Walnut Creek, Ball Auditorium.