

The Walnut Leaf

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Today's Meeting

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Paul Harris Donor

At our final February meeting PH Secretary

Gordon Fischer recognized two more members for their continuing contribution to the Paul Harris Foundation. Each recognition represents a new \$1000



contribution to Rotary International's foundation. Recognized live was **Scott Wilson**, our club's foundation chair and **Quentin Alexander** who was in attendance via Zoom!

April Sun has applied for membership

April is the owner of Sun Bodyworks and is a personal trainer and massage therapist. She resides in Concord and says that she has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and has recently helped organize a book drive to benefit a domestic abuse and homeless shelter. She loves read-



ing, traveling, different cultures and meeting new people.



Hi Ho, Hi Ho, it's off to PETS we go!

President Elect **Gordon Fischer** is off to attend the President Elect Training Session this week. The club sent our usual best wishes poster down to cheer him on!

Open Space project postponed **Don Willoughby**

The staining workday has been re-scheduled for Saturday March 18th, weather permitting. We'll have morning and afternoon shifts that day, and we'll need at least 6-7 folks working each shift. The goal is to put at least a first coat of stain on all of the lumber for the first pergola. We'll most likely need a second work day for a second coat, probably March 22nd or March 25th - depending on the weather and availability of volunteers. If the weather cooperates, there will be a major construction work day on Saturday April 1st to install the main framework on foundations built by the City crews.

After April 1, construction days to complete the construction will have to be on weekdays, and I'll be contacting those who signed up for weekday work to arrange those days. If anyone would like to be added to the list of volunteers, please email me with preferences for staining or construction and whether they can work weekdays.. (Also, if anyone has some sawhorses that they could loan for the staining days, please contact me.)



Walnut Creek Rotary Bingo Night...

We are quickly approaching this event! For those of you who have signed up, thank you. Those still considering coming [please let me know](#) so we can get a head count for the caterer. Remember this is not just a Rotary member event. Bring family and friends as well. Price is \$75 per person. It includes the dinner,

wine, a bingo card and marker. Additional Bingo cards will be available for purchase. We will have prizes for Bingo winners. Also, there will be a raffle and silent auction as an added bonus. All proceeds will go to the Walnut Creek Community Foundation for organizations we support during the year.

Safe Water Grant

The club, acting through our Foundation, has approved a significant grant request



for \$2,900 to Solar Safe Water. This grant will provide 20 families in Kenya with a solar-powered water purifier (\$145/unit with an expected service life of 7 years). These units provide safe drinking water without the need of boiling by wood- or

oil-fueled fires. So the impact is both humanitarian and environmental.

Join the Fun...Happy Hour

Every other Thursday at 5:00 PM members of the club, friends and guests gather at the Bay Club (2805 Jones Road Walnut Creek) to celebrate the almost conclusion of yet another fortnight of Rotary. Drinks, nibbles and conversation all flow. There is free parking in the garage adjacent to the entrance (until the valet parking is back)!

Contact [Darin Kelly](#) for details and to see if this is a meeting week.

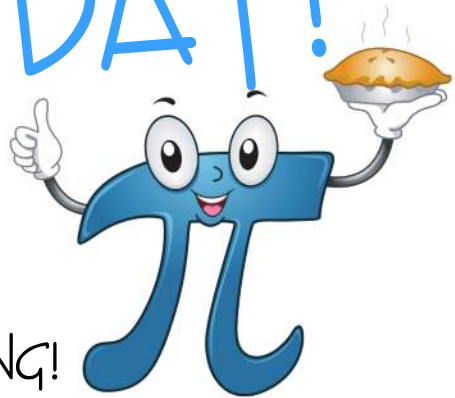
Coming meetings & events...

- March 11: Club Bingo/Dinner night.
- March 14: Ian Bremner RES Success
- March 21: David Ko Wells Fargo Bank
General Market Conditions
- March 28: **Daniel Buckshi**
Update on Walnut Creek
- March: Registration for
District Conference April 26-28,
2024
- April 15: Spring Assembly
- April 25: Gloria Duffy
Commonwealth Club
- May 27-31 RI Convention, Melbourne,
Australia



WHAT'S COMING NEXT WEEK? IT IS PI DAY!

THAT'S RIGHT
MARCH 14 IS 3.14,
NATIONAL PI DAY.



AND WE ARE CELEBRATING!

SO HOW DO YOU CELEBRATE PI DAY?

WHY WITH PIE OF COURSE!

SO CALL, EMAIL, SEND A SMOKE SIGNAL TO
JOHN MCCLINTIC TO LET HIM KNOW THAT
YOU WANT TO ORDER YOUR SPECIAL
CHICKEN PIE LUNCH FOR THAT DAY.

THE COST IS THE SAME AS USUAL,
\$23 PER PIE

...AND LOOK FOR THE SPECIAL
SUR-PIE-ISE AT THE END!

BUT YOU MUST ORDER BY MARCH 12TH!

Live Meetings

Members now have the choice of joining our meetings on zoom or attending the live meeting at Heather Farm Lakeside Room, 301 N San Carlos Drive. If you choose to attend the live meeting you can pre-order your lunch (catered by Sunrise Bistro).

Choices for lunch are shown on the next page
If you want to order a lunch, please email your order to **John McClintic** at jmclintic@bamlaw.com or leave voicemail at 925-256-8200.

Be sure to specify your desired "Selections" from the menu if you are ordering the Sandwich Box or Salad Box. Bottled water is included.

Orders must be received no later than noon, Friday preceding the meeting.

Your meal is included in the \$23 live meeting charge for diners. "No-shows" will be charged the full \$23. The meeting charge for non-diners attending live is \$10.



Want to join us by Zoom? The Zoom session starts at 12:20pm so members can gather and chat before the meeting officially opens at 12:30pm.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84410765063?pwd=dVBnK1hPV3NhcStWaitqUTU0YXdEQT09>

Meeting ID: 844 1076 5063 Passcode: Rotary

Local dial-up audio numbers: San Jose 1.669.900.6833 or Houston 1.346.248.7799.



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\$75 BUY-IN INCLUDES BUFFET DINNER

LAST CALL



RSVP HERE

ALL
LEVELS
WELCOME

MARCH 10, 2023 5PM

BACK FORTY TEXAS BBQ, PLEASANT HILL