

Rotary



Club of Concord

Events

October 20th
[Concord
Weekly Club
Meeting](#)

Birthdays

Nelson Meeks
October 6th
Nickolas
Peterson
October 9th
Gerald D.
Hoobler
October 10th
Howard Jenkins
October 17th
William Bobetsky
October 23rd

Concord Rotary Club Newsletter 10/04/22

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Rotary Meeting Notes for October 4, 2022

By **Guy Bjerke**

President **Memory Woodard** opened the meeting.

Tony Akins led the pledge of allegiance.

Guy Bjerke led the 4-way test.

Nicole Sullivan introduced our guests, including the mother of our speaker - Ronni Collmer from Keller Williams Realty.

Parmod Kumar won the Birthday and Anniversary lottery by being the only one celebrating that showed up today - he contributed \$45 dollars to the club. Congrats on celebrating your 48th wedding anniversary.

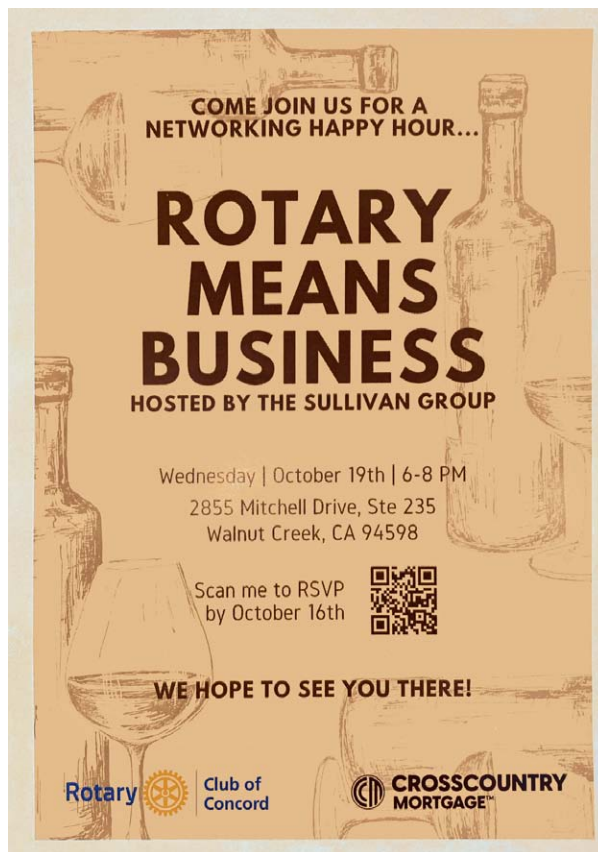
Announcements:

David Litty brought our exchange student Maurice Straubhaar forward to tell us about his football exploits - running back, linebacker, punter. He also took a trip to Oregon to see Oregon State vs. Boise State in college football. Despite speaking 3 + languages, he wishes he spoke Spanish. Around 80% of the students at Ygnacio Valley High School speak Spanish these days.

Ron Melvin is seeking volunteers to help with score-keeping jobs for a Special Olympics event from 8 am to 1 pm on Saturday, November 5th at Cowell Park. He has sent an email, but contact him if you can help.

Nicole Sullivan invited everyone to the next Rotary Means Business event on October 19 from 6 pm to 8 pm at the Sullivan Group HQ in the Shadelands Office Park. An Evite has been sent and future reminders are guaranteed.

Stephanie Prescott reported out on the latest about our Ladybug Project. An awesome event with the Diablo View Rotary Club was



held last week and on Saturday, October 1, a big event with the Moraga Chamber of Commerce will be held at St. Monica's Catholic Church to make bags/kits - aiming for 1,000 bags.

President **Memory** and **David Litty** reminded everyone that the Boy Scouts are holding a Recognition lunch for **Al Kappadahl** at the Concord Senior Center from 1 pm to 4 pm on Sunday, October 9th. Our Rotary Club is a primary sponsor and we are raising money and filling a table or more. If you'd like to

attend or contribute to the sponsorship, let David Litty know ASAP.

Concord Diablo Rotary club is planning a poker night on November 5th at Windows & Beyond (**David Litty's** shop) located at 1027 Shary Court. See the cdrotary.org/poker for details.

President **Memory** reported about the club members and interactors participating in Councilmember Carlyn Obringer's September of Service over the last two weeks by helping clean up Willow Pass and Hillcrest Parks.

Tony Akins explained the initial history of Rotary International's involvement with eradicating Polio. What began in the late 1970's as a targeted effort in the Philippines has become an almost successful worldwide effort. We are || this close. **Tony** distributed flyers for an event to support the End Polio Now effort being held in Vallejo on October 23.

President **Memory** showed a video about the Rotary 5160 District Conference in Monterey - October 27-30, 2022. Registration is now open.

Speaker:

Our speaker was Maile Collmer of Asentiv, a business networking and business growth consultancy.

What is your avocation outside of work?
There is nothing like volunteering to grow your business.

Rotary should be a way to do community service, have fun, and grow your business.

Maile suggested a four-part strategy:

1. Share your Rotary story and why you



- continue to participate.
2. How would you identify a future Rotarian? People who get involved. Think about the attributes of active people we know and invite them.
 3. Inviting - ask people to join as another way to improve their lives. Become an ambassador for the organization. Maile says 80 percent of sales are made on the fifth or later ask - so keep asking.
 4. Retaining our members by continuing to engage them. Help both members and the community understand what our club is doing.

Together we can accomplish more than when we work alone.

*President **Memory** started a discussion at 1:30 pm about where future meetings should be held. That's when meetings end - not time for starting a discussion. This scribe doesn't know what happened because I left to go to a dentist's appointment.*

On This Day October 4



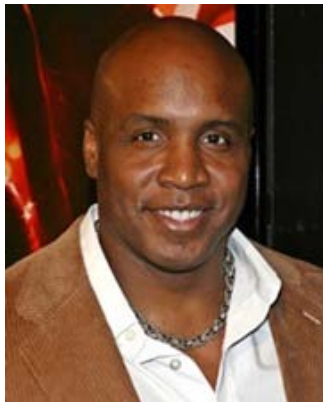
- **1582 Last Julian calendar day in Spain, Portugal and pontifical states. To sync to the Gregorian calendar, 10 days are skipped and the next date is Oct 15.**



- ***1675 Dutch mathematician Christiaan Huygens patents the pocket watch***



- ***1854 Abraham Lincoln makes his 1st political speech at Illinois State Fair***



- ***2001 SF Giants slugger Barry Bonds hits his 70th home run in 10-2 win v Houston; ties Mark McGwire for the most MLB home runs in a single season***



- 2006 WikiLeaks is launched, created by internet activist Julian Assange

Joke of the Day

What do you call an ant who fights crime?

A vigilANTE!

Thought of the Day

"Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough."

- Oprah Winfrey

Cartoon of the Day



Upcoming Speakers

October 19th at 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
 Wednesday Rotary Means Business, at the Sullivan Group, 2855 Mitchell Drive, Ste 235
 Walnut Creek, CA 94598

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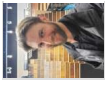
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