

All You Need to Know About the

RotaCare Bowl-A-Thon

GENERAL EVENT INFORMATION

The RotaCare Bowl-A-Thon will take place on Saturday, August 19th 2023, from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm at **Pinole Valley Lanes**, 1580 Pinole Valley Road, Pinole, California. All proceeds will benefit Richmond RotaCare.

Rotary Clubs along the I-80 corridor, including Albany, Berkeley, El Cerrito, El Sobrante, Hercules, Pinole, Richmond and San Pablo, have been invited to participate. (Any Rotary Club can participate, if they register.)

Food & drinks will be provided free for bowlers and guests. A restaurant and bar are on site for your convenience.

Pinole Valley Lanes has provided several adjoining lanes for this event. This will permit clubs to bowl side-by-side and enjoy fellowship!

Ray Castro, of the San Pablo Rotary Club, along with Jill Alderfer, of the Pinole Rotary Club, are co-coordinators of this event. Ray's mobile phone number is (510) 260-4943. Jill's mobile number is (910) 431-0251. Email vandykcastro@gmail.

CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

RotaCare Bay Area Inc. is a non profit 501(c)(3) public benefit corporation that provides free medical care to those with the greatest need and the least access to medical care.

The organization was formed in 1989 when a local Rotarian, Dr. Mark Campbell and his Campbell Rotary Club identified the need of many local residents who had limited access to primary healthcare services. They resolved to meet the need with a clinic in Santa Clara. That first clinic, located on the former Agnews State Hospital site has since closed but in its place we now have 12 clinics located throughout the greater Bay Area. Other RotaCare clinics are located in Concord, Daly City, Gilroy, Half Moon Bay, Monterey, Pittsburg, Richmond, San Jose, San Leandro, San Rafael, and Santa Cruz.

RotaCare Bay Area's Board of Directors is directly responsible to state licensing agencies for the provision of quality medical care and provides legal governance for clinics within their geographical area. RotaCare Bay Area's administrative team provides a consistent, reliable level of service and support to our clinics.

BOWLER INFORMATION

Each Rotary Club is asked to provide *at least* (1) team and each team must consist of exactly four (4) bowlers. Each club must identify a Team Captain, who should rally club members to pledge generously to one or more of the bowlers and to come out on August 19th and support their team.

Each bowler will bowl two (2) games, which amounts to twenty (20) frames. Each bowler should get per-pin pledges and/or fixed-amount pledges. Each bowler is *expected* to raise \$250 (or an approximate pledge total of \$1.65 per pinfall). This pledge *guideline* is meant to guarantee the likelihood of each club raising at least \$1,000 for RotaCare, Richmond.

FYI: Some bowlers find it easier to only solicit (and collect immediately) fixed-amount pledges of \$10 or \$20 (etc.) rather than dealing with per-pin pledges, which involve tracking down pledge-makers to collect money after the event.

AWARDS

The team that fells the most pins (in 20 frames) will be awarded a trophy.

CLUB INFORMATION

Each participating Rotary Club must submit an application identifying the team captain for their club, including phone number and email address. The application form should be scanned and emailed to vandykcastro@gmail.com by August 12th or as soon as possible. An entrance fee of \$200 must be paid *before* August 12th, to the order of the **Ray Castro**, and mailed to **Ray Castro**, **San Pablo Rotary Club**, **2089 Vale Road**, **Suite 30**, **San Pablo**, **CA 94806**. This fee covers rental of the bowling lane, shoes, drinks and food.

It is the responsibility of each bowler to collect their own pledge money. After the event, each club treasurer will be given a copy of each of that club's bowler's pledge forms, plus a summary report. It is the responsibility of each club's treasurer to ensure all bowlers have turned in their pledge money to their club by August 31th. Each club treasurer is expected to submit a single check (for the entire club) or five (5) individual checks (i.e., one for each bowler) as soon as possible after August 31th to Ray Castro, 2089 Vale Road, Suite 30, San Pablo, CA 94806

SAN PABLO ROTARY CANNOT ACCEPT ANY MONEY DIRECTLY FROM PLEDGE MAKERS.

Thank you for your participation in this worthwhile and fun event!