



ROTARY CLUB OF CASTRO VALLEY

Relay for Life

This event is a fund raiser for the American Cancer Society. It takes place over a 24 hour period on a weekend, from 10 am Saturday to 10 am Sunday. Participants form teams who walk around the track at a local school (Canyon Middle School).

Castro Valley Rotary supported this event by hosting a free lunch for event participants on Saturday, July 19.

Our main contact with the American Cancer Society was the event Co-Chair: Nuu Tuimoloau (cebay@yahoo.com)

We were asked to provide lunch for 300 people. This turned out to be too many as we probably only feed 150-200 people. Leftover food and supplies were given to another group (Alameda County Fire) who was preparing a bbq dinner.

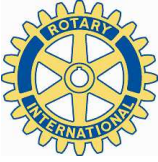
Planning this event was simple. I met once with Nuu to talk it over. I came up with a proposed shopping list. I emailed the committee members to let them know the plan and invite comments. One person volunteered to buy everything. During the two weeks leading up to the event other committee members were tapped to cook and serve, with help from a couple of non-committee members.

We came up with a list of food and serving items and obtained the items from Smart and Final on the morning of the event. Sue Whalen did the shopping and brought everything to the event site.

We brought: hot dogs, buns, condiments (ketchup, mustard, relish), paper plates, paper wrappers, assorted soft drinks, assorted chips, ice, and an ice chest in which to store the hot dogs prior to cooking. Here is the breakdown:

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Food and Drink Purchases
Smart & Final
7/19/2008

Item	Qty	Price	Total
Hot dog buns	17	2.59	44.03
Picnic Pac (condiments)	3	4.99	14.97
Ketchup	1	0.99	0.99
Relish squeeze bottle	1	1.99	1.99
Beef franks	8	13.49	107.92
9" plates	1	5.59	5.59
Earth napkins	1	1.99	1.99
Variety pak chips	6	10.79	64.74
Soft drinks, assorted cases	14	4.26	59.66
Ice, 20 lbs		27.12	27.12
Sales tax		10.71	10.71
Total			339.71



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Sue also stopped by the Rotary Club storage unit and picked up our ice tubs for the drinks, some bottled water left over from a previous event (this was popular) and our BBQ tongs, mitts, matches, etc.

Upon arrival at noon we were provided with two gas grills (griddles, really, not wire grills). There was a big serving tent, which was handy, and plenty of tables for guests. It took about 30 minutes to set things up.

We had six people to start with, which was about right. Two began barbequing hot dogs while others set up the serving line. We set up a stockpile of cooked hot dogs and had an announcement made that lunch was ready. In a few minutes we had a large flock of people, and we were very busy serving for about 45 minutes. Then activity tapered off. We only needed three or four people at most once the rush was over, and we were essentially done serving by about 2:15, except for stragglers.

Cleanup was easy. Garbage and recycling containers were provided. We were able to leave all leftover food for our firefighter friends to add to their dinner barbecue supplies. I returned our tubs and bbq accessories to the storage unit after cleaning the bbq tongs.