

BULLETIN



ROTARY
CLUB OF SAN JOSE

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2006-2007 President, Gerald A. Silva

Senator Joe Simitian

“Post Partisanship: What Does It Mean And Where Are We Going?”



Joe Simitian was elected to the California State Senate in November 2004 to represent the 11th State Senate District, which includes parts of San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz counties. His public service over the years includes stints as a State Assembly member, member of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, Mayor of Palo Alto and President of the Palo Alto School Board. He has also served as an election observer/supervisor in El Salvador and Bosnia, and participated in refugee relief and resettlement efforts in Albania and Kosovo.

In the Senate, **Simitian** chairs the Environmental Quality Committee and serves as a member of the following committees: Budget and Fiscal Review; Business, Professions and Economic Development; Education; Energy, Utilities and Communications; Environmental Quality; and Transportation and Housing. He is also one of two Democratic members on the Budget Subcommittee on Education.

Senator Simitian received his Bachelor of Arts degree, with academic honors, from The Colorado College. He also holds a Master of Arts degree in International Policy Studies from Stanford University, a Master in City Planning degree from the University of California at Berkeley, and a Juris Doctor law degree from the University of California at Berkeley (Boalt Hall).

Raised in Palo Alto and a graduate of Palo Alto (“Paly”) High, Simitian’s roots are in the Midpeninsula. His community involvement includes service on the boards of local organizations such as American Leadership Forum—Silicon Valley, Adolescent Counseling Services and the Clara-Mateo Alliance, and he co-chairs the Silicon Valley Leadership Group’s Housing Leadership Council.

Rotary Week

Feb 6	ELC	7:30	Gordon House
Feb 7	Membership Devel Rotary Meeting	7:30 12:00	Coakley-Heagerty Summit Center
Feb 8	Gordon House Com	7:30	Gordon House



Southern Africa Safari June 13 - 24, 2007

If you are interested please contact MWT Associates, Inc. at 877-707-7827 (toll free), or visit their web site www.melitatrips.com

Rotarian Of The Week ~ Cindy Faulkner

The purpose of the Rotarian of the Week is to put a face on what it means to be a true Rotarian and to inspire all of us to strive to be better Rotarians and to ask that person to share why they are so involved in our Rotary Club.

This weeks "Rotarian of the Week" recipient was Cindy Faulkner.

Cindy has been a Rotarian since 2003. Soon thereafter joining the Event Committee, and chaired the sub-committee for the auction donation from the Red Badge class. The following year she began chairing the Event sub-committee that's responsible for soliciting and receiving auction donations. Last year she set up a new accounting system to manage the auction, she did all the data entry for the items to be sold and set up computer networking during the event. Next year Cindy and Lynn Devou will co-chair the Event Committee.



Join the Rotoplast Mission to El Salvador in June

Kathy Wiley returned from her trip to El Salvador and shared her experience with the Rotary Club at last week's meeting. As Rotarians arrived they were treated to a revolving set of photos on the screen showing scenes of the Rotoplast Committee while in El Salvador. There will be another trip June 4 - 17 sponsored by San Jose Rotary and a club in Washington State. There will be openings for 4 other people from our club and they can sign up for various positions. If you are interested in going please contact Kathy Wiley at 408-926-2500 or email her at kathy@kathywiley.com.



Kathy Wiley, Maria Umanzor (far right) and her daughter Suma (center)

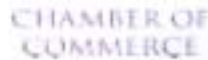
While Kathy was in El Salvador Maria Umanzor, our gift of life patient, traveled by bus to San Miguel to see Kathy. Marie lives about 40 minutes from San Miguel. The Rotarians acting as interpreters were telling Kathy that when she went home from her surgery the last 30 minutes they carried her in a hammock. Apparently she lives up on a mountain and was unable to walk. Maria had rosy cheeks, such a contrast to how she looked when she came here.



District 5170 Conference
April 20 - 22, 2007
Portola Plaza Hotel,
Fisherman's Wharf, Monterey
You Otter Be There!!

Registration brochure to be mailed out mid-February

Partnering Together To Make a Difference



Is There Room in Your Office for Your Shadow?

Job Shadow Day 2007 is just around the corner! Junior Achievement of Silicon Valley & Monterey Bay, Inc. is looking for members of the Rotary Club of San Jose to participate in Job Shadow Day on **Wednesday, February 28 or March 7, 2007**. Through this exciting half-day event, businesses gain the opportunity to engage middle and high schools students in industry, while explaining the importance of academics in reaching career goals. Students have an opportunity to experience careers and jobs that they cannot even imagine.

Last year nearly 150 companies in the Silicon Valley, Monterey Bay Area welcomed 4,000 students into their places of work. Groundhog Job Shadow Day provides a unique opportunity for corporate visibility and community involvement for local companies, and their employees. The day is great fun, simple to facilitate, and a learning experience for all!

For more information on how to open your doors to today's students; the future leaders of Silicon Valley, contact Junior Achievement @ (408) 988-8915, email nashley@siliconvalley.ja.org, or go to <http://siliconvalley.ja.org>.

District 5170 RYLA Rotary Youth Leadership Seminar

Annually Rotary District 5170 organizes and presents a seminar/camp/workshop for youth to discuss and practice leadership skills.

Children of Rotarian's families, as well as other high school students, are eligible to attend. Students should be sixteen to seventeen years of age, will have finished their junior year in June 2007, and will attend school as a senior in the Fall.

The seminar will be held at YMCA Camp Campbell in the Santa Cruz mountains. It will start Sunday, June 17th and finish Friday, June 22nd. There is no charge to attend this program.

Further information is available at www.ryla5170.org, or contact Jack Kuzia at jackuzi@pacbell.net.

~ 2/11/07 Habitat For Humanity Build Date ~

San Jose Rotary Habitat for Humanity Committee invites you to join us in giving back to needy families by helping build a home with other Rotary friends! Sunday, February 11th at 9:00am, we have another work date scheduled in San Jose on Murphy Street. Prior building experience or do-it-yourself skills not required. You might even pick up some tricks of the trade.

Please contact Ash Kalra if you are interested in joining us or if you have any questions. You can email Ash at ashukalra@hotmail.com or at 408-299-7773. *Thanks and hope to see you there!*



Check Out This Auction Item!!!



Don't book your trip to Tahoe without checking this out first! Enjoy a fun weekend in the Tahoe Snow! It won't be a problem getting there with this Ford Explorer 4x4 rental, and while you are there why not enjoy skiing at Squaw Valley! Includes a 3-day SUV rental, and four tickets to ski at Squaw Valley's premier resort during the 2006-2007 season courtesy of



Ernie Speno!!

Don't worry, lodging is included too! It is a luxury town home where you can enjoy the weekend in beautiful and Historic Truckee, courtesy of Bill Fitch! This is not just some ordinary overnight stay; this is a gorgeous new model town home.



and Bill Fitch!

Many thanks to the generous yearly donations from Ernie Speno

Rotary District 5170 Annual
Walter B. Schulze
Family, Community & Friends Golf Tournament

Net proceeds will provide Camp RYLA scholarships

April 16, 2007



Exclusive Castlewood Country Club is teeming with tradition and history. This is a rare chance to play this private golf course in Pleasanton. The tournament is limited to the first 144 players

Please email co-chair Richard Lowenthal at richard@lowenthal.com with any tournament questions.

Please return this registration form with the tournament fee of \$175 per player

Additional dinners only \$40 # _____ Checks should be payable to: Rotary District 5170 Golf Tournament.

Rotary Club Name: _____

Player Name NCGA #

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Golf Includes

Golf Fees, Golf Cart, Range Balls, Tee Prizes, Lunch,
Dinner, Closest to the Pin and long drive contests

**Awards in four flights: Gross, Mixed, Net, and Club.
Prizes for more than 50% of the players**

Optional putting and proximity contests

Check-in: 10:30 AM

No host cocktails: 5:30 PM

Lunch: 11 AM

Dinner: 6:30 PM

Shotgun Start: Noon

Silent Auction and Raffle: 7:30 PM

Payment by credit card # _____ expiration date _____

Name on Credit Card: _____ Billing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home Phone: _____

Authorization Signature for Credit Card: _____ Total \$: _____

Please mail your registration form with payment to:

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