

# **BULLETIN**



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## **Rosemary Stasek** **"Women in Afghanistan"**



**Rosemary Stasek** lives in Kabul, Afghanistan working on reconstruction and development projects. She first traveled there soon after the fall of the Taliban leading projects directly benefiting women including the women's prison, maternity wards, political empowerment and employment training.

**Rosemary** has a broad history of political involvement, especially women's issues activism. She has served on the Board of Planned Parenthood Advocates Mar Monte and the Santa Clara County Commission on the Status of Women.

In 1999 she was selected by the Secretary of Defense to participate in the Joint Civilian Orientation Conference, which took her to military installations across the country and aboard an aircraft carrier in the Pacific Ocean. She broadened her knowledge of military affairs, especially issues involving women in serving in the Armed Forces. She serves as a member of the US Air Force Space Commanders Group.

**Stasek's** interest in international issues has taken her to Nepal, Ecuador, France, Britain, Holland, Germany, Italy, The United Arab Emirates, The Czech and Slovak Republics, Canada, Mexico, Thailand, Azerbaijan, South Africa, Venezuela, Tanzania and Vietnam. In 1998 she traveled to Cuba as a member of a special women's delegation and in May 2002 she was a member of one of the first delegations to return to Afghanistan.

**Rosemary** was born and raised in Northeast Pennsylvania and graduated from Cornell University with a Bachelor's degree in Economics. She was a Dean's List student and manager of the football and wrestling teams. She is currently serving a second term on the President's Council of Cornell Women.

### **Rotary Week**

Mar 3	ELC	7:30	Gordon House
Mar 4	Member Develop	7:30	Hispanic Foundation
	Rotary Meeting	12:00	Summit Center
	100 Year Celebration	1:30	Summit Center
	-Working Group		
Mar 5	Youth Exchange	7:30	SJUSD
	Orientation	7:30	Gordon House
	100 Year Celebration	4:00	Gordon House
	- History		

### **New Lunch Prices** **Starting March 4**

The price of the "Meeting Only" will remain at \$12. The price of parking will remain at \$3.

Meeting Only	\$12
With Parking	\$15
Meeting and Lunch	\$24
With Parking	\$27



### **Don't Forget To Change** **Your Clocks 3/8/09**

It's time to spring forward, and turn our clocks ahead by one hour.

## Rebirth of the Rotary Chorus!

The Rotary Club Chorus, dormant since the early 80's, is being formed anew under the direction of Phil Strong, longtime choral director and musician. We need singers to augment the some 5 or 6 who have already committed. We will practice starting Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at the Summit Center at 11:30 and each Wednesday thereafter until we're good enough for our first club performance on Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>.

We are hoping for a 15 to 20-member group who love to sing and reflects the membership of our great club. That means men and women, young and not so young who enjoy singing a wide assortment of songs. We'll begin with selections from the Rotary songbook compiled by the International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians based on input from singing Rotary clubs worldwide. So do something for yourself and others through this new avenue of fellowship and Club Service. Put a smile on your face, lower your blood pressure, forget about your 401ks and join us on March 18<sup>th</sup>! Contact Phil or vice chairmen Dave Fleckles and Ray Silva.

## How Effective is Job Shadowing

Camden High School, Cambrian Park, CA, 1962, Rotarian Richard Friberg's freshman English class assignment: Identify five people that you admire who are within walking distance of your home or school. What are the occupations? Which occupation sounds like it might be interesting to you? Make an appointment with that person and interview them about their job. Write three pages about that person and their career.

Forty-six years later I still remember the assignment, the person I interviewed and what I learned through this exercise. You can make an impact in the lives of some high school students through the upcoming Job Shadow Day on April 8. Don't worry there is even a small pamphlet to tell you how to actually do this. Pick them up at their school or have them "delivered" to your workplace on Wednesday morning April 8, follow the job shadow plan, and bring them to the Rotary luncheon. You will have fun, the kids will learn about your career, and you will help shape the life of the kids that "shadowed" you.

**Update: the deadline on the Job Shadow announcement has been extended to March 6.**

Give it a try; it is a lot of fun. Please fill out the attached Job Shadow form (see page 5) and send it in to Junior Achievement. We need to keep Steve Tedesco busy!!!

## ~ Mark Your Calendars ~

March 7	Annual Event
March 11 - 13	Enterprise Leadership Conference
April 8	Job Shadow
April 15	Excused Member Reunion
April 25	Rotary Fish Day & Rotary International Service Day
June 3	Spring BBQ



**ANNUAL ROTARY AUCTION  
PRESENTS  
AUCTION ITEMS TO CONSIDER**

**LA NOTTE GRANDE - ITALIAN DINNER FOR 10**

You and your friends will experience your own "Big Night" with a delightful Italian Feast from Antipasti (appetizers) to Primi (first course) to Secondi (second course) to Dolci (dessert). Select Italian wines will accompany all courses. This gourmet experience will be prepared for you and your guests by and in the Casa of Shirley "Minardi" Lewis. All you have to do is select a mutually agreed upon date and bring your appetite!



Value: \$2,000

**BOUTIQUE WINE PARING DINNER FOR SIX AT THE GRILL ON THE ALLEY AND OVERNIGHT STAY AT THE FAIRMONT HOTEL**

A Five Course Wine Paring Dinner for six, featuring a selection of fine and rare wines and a gourmet meal prepared by Executive Chef Matthew LeGentry and an evening hosted by General Manager and Wine Director Philippe Azoulay. Following your evening of indulgence, you will retire to your rooms at the luxurious Fairmont Hotel where three hotel rooms will be provided.

"Wine was born, not invented...like an old friend, it continues to surprise us in new and unexpected way." -- Dr. Salvatore P. Lucia

**First Course**

Scallops Ceviche with Avocado and Mango Salsa  
Conundrum, White Table Wine, California 2007

**Second Course**

Traditional French Onion Soup  
Soquel Vineyards, Partner's Reserve, Santa Cruz Mountains, 2006

**Third Course**

Seared Pork Medallions with Berry Sauce and Jasmine Rice  
Foghorn, Monterey County, 2005

**Intermezzo**

Mango Sorbet afloat Cosmopolitan Cocktail

**Fourth Course**

New York Steak Flambé Armagnac  
Sauce au Poivre Vert served with Lyonnaise Potato and Sautéed Asparagus

**Dessert**

Blue Cheese Panacotta with Toasted Walnut and Dry Figs  
Ravenswood Zinfandel, Lodi, 2006  
Philip Azoulay, The Grill on the Alley, Cyril Isnard, Fairmont Hotel

Value: \$2,500





## **Celebrate Those Who Make Dreams Real with Rotary District 5170**

*You'll be Starstruck!*

- WHAT:** Rotary District 5170 Celebration 2009
- WHEN:** Friday, April 17 – Sunday, April 19, 2009
- WHERE:** Marriott Hotel, 2700 Mission College Blvd., Santa Clara
- REGISTER:** Register early online at [www.rotary5170.org](http://www.rotary5170.org) as space is limited at some events.
- HIGHLIGHTS:** Join the celebration that will be the talk of 2009. Download our DVD production at [www.rotary5170.org](http://www.rotary5170.org) and build the excitement in your club. Here are a few highlights:
- Lunch with **SF Giants legend Dave Dravecky** – From major league pitcher to amputee and cancer survivor, Dave will share his courageous journey and triumphant return to the pitching mound.
  - Dinner with the **Rat Pack** – Thrill to the unforgettable sounds of Frank and Dean, Sammy's wisecracking comedy, and the smooth sophistication of Joey.
  - Don't miss the **President's Dinner** to honor District 5170 presidents and the Rotary clubs they represent. Then dance the night away to the sounds of the **Joe Sharino Band** as they play favorites from the 1940s to today.
- STAY & PLAY:** Don't miss out on a minute of the fun! Marriott's discounted Rotary rate is only \$109 per night. Rooms are limited so call 408-988-1500 today and mention "Rotary International District 5170 Celebration."





## **WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

### **Job Shadow Registration Form**

**April 8, 2009**

**Registration Deadline: No later than February 20, 2009**

To host students, email or fax back form to Barbara Gunderson at JA:

(408) 988-0124 (fax) or [bgunderson@siliconvalley.ja.org](mailto:bgunderson@siliconvalley.ja.org)

Questions? Call (408)988-8915 x 203

**Name & Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address/Mail Stop:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the address of the specific site for Job Shadow Day if different than the address above: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **I WILL** \_\_\_\_\_ **I WILL NOT** be the corporate contact person for Job Shadow Day 2008

The contact person is: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**We would like to host the following number of students(please note that each host must take at least 2 students as JA no longer allows one-on-one shadowing):**

2-6 students      5-10 students      more than 10 students      other \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **We will assist with travel expenses and/or provide transportation for participating students.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **We will sponsor Job Shadow Day, please contact me about a contribution.**



## IT'S GIRL SCOUT COOKIE TIME!

Girl Scouts of Northern California and San Jose Rotary will continue a long-standing partnership when Girl Scouts donates ten cases of Girl Scout cookies to the 2009 San Jose Rotary Entrepreneurial Leadership Conference (ELC) to be held March 11-13.

At this event, 96 high school students will enjoy eight varieties of Girl Scout cookies including all time favorites Thin Mints, Samoas, Tagalongs and the newest variety Dulce de Leche during their snack breaks.

And don't miss out on purchasing your favorite cookies too!

Our annual cookie booth sales begin March 6th and run through March 22<sup>nd</sup>. To connect to a Girl Scout troop please go to [www.ILoveCookies.org](http://www.ILoveCookies.org) for booth locations in your local community.

Please also consider participating in our "Gift of Caring" community service program by donating a box of cookies to our military troops, Second Harvest Food Bank or to the Red Cross. A Girl Scout troop can assist you with this purchase at a booth sale.

The Girl Scout cookie program has helped make Girl Scouting America's premier leadership development experience for girls. With your purchase you support programs for more than 55,000 Girl Scouts in Northern California. Girls who participate in the cookie program learn valuable life skills, including goal setting, teamwork and entrepreneurship.

Help us continue to build girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place, with your cookie purchase or donation.