



# Rotary Club of San Jose

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## Leigh Weimers

### "Half A Century At Mercury News"

Our own members make for our best programs and this one promises to be no exception to the rule. Lots of people say that **Leigh Weimers** is San Jose's Herb Caen. Lots of other people say that Herb Caen was San Francisco's Leigh Weimers. Everyone agrees however, that he was Mr. San Jose to hundreds of thousands of Mercury News readers over the course of five decades.

**Leigh** was born in the Napa Valley and got his first newspaper jobs with the Napa Register and Napa Journal. While doing a stint with the U.S. Army in Germany Leigh also contributed to the Stars & Stripes Europe. After the Army he graduated from San Jose State College (now University) with a degree in journalism and started a long career with the Mercury News in 1958. In 1965 **Leigh** began his legendary column which he wrote until his retirement on November 11, 2005.

**Leigh** and his wife Geri have been two of San Jose's staunchest supporters of local entertainment and arts. They have two grown daughters and two grand children. **Leigh** has been active in many San Jose organizations and has received several awards for journalism and civic involvement including the Tower Award (San Jose State's highest service award) and the San Jose Rotary Club's highest honor- the Don Goldeen Award.

No one is better qualified to talk about San Jose's past, present and future than our own **Leigh Weimers**. So sit back and relax and take a walk down memory lane with **Leigh** as he does "a rumination with a view".

## How To Notify The Office Regarding Meeting Make-ups

No matter what kind of meeting credit you need - other Club, committee meeting, community service, Fireside, etc. You can receive credit for attending a Rotary meeting just by sending an email to: **attendance@sjrotary.org**. No paperwork is required. Unless you specify a date, Teresa will "UAN" (use as needed). Thanks for helping us be more efficient.

### Rotary Week

Mar 21	<b>Board of Directors</b>	8:00	Gordon House
	<b>Book Club</b>	12:00	Eulipia
Mar 22	<b>Rotary Meeting</b>	12:00	Summit Center
Mar 23	<b>Endow Board</b>	7:30	Gordon House

### Mentors Needed

The Membership Involvement Committee is in need of Mentors, if you are interested please contact Ken Wiener (408) 227-6444 or email him at [kenanwie@pacbell.net](mailto:kenanwie@pacbell.net)



## Recycle Your Old Cell Phones at our Rotary Meetings

Though tiny, cell phones add up to a big pollution threat because they have the shortest average life span among consumer electronics (1.5 years). It is estimated that 100 million cell phones are discarded every year, 65,000 tons of hazardous trash. With over 200 million cell phones in use across the United States, plus another 500 million unwanted or outdated phones stocked piled in drawers, etc., that adds up to a lot of toxic waste, such as lead and mercury found in every unit, it is important to people's health as well as the environment to keep cell phones out of landfills and incinerators.

Through your re-cycling of used cell phones through Rotary, which are given to San Jose's Happy Hollow Park, 100% of the funds raised by Happy Hollow are donated to non-profit Orangutan Conservancy who is helping to preserve one of the most critically endangered species on earth, the orangutan and it's habitat. To learn more: <http://www.orangutan.com/index.html>

Its a no-brainer - recycle your old unwanted cell phones by bringing them to a Rotary meeting, keep toxics out of landfills and help Orangutans.

Any resemblance between these pictures and current members of San Jose Rotary is expressly denied. The Orangutans would object! Call Romeo Danaïs with questions about the recycling program or the pictures.

## Santa Teresa Interact Club Needs Adult Volunteers

The Santa Teresa Interact Club is looking for two adults to chaperon Interact workers at the Stiles Ranch Trail repair project on April 22. If you are interested please contact Debra Dimas at (408) 347-7521.

## April Birthdays!!!

April 1	Steve Caplan	April 13	Bonnie Bamburg
	Bud Roberts		Bob Hines
	Yosh Uchida	April 17	Frank Biehl
April 3	Stan Williams		Liesa Fenton
April 4	Richard DiNapoli		Henry Kaplan
	David Martz	April 20	Phil Strong
April 7	Dick Conniff	April 21	Shelly McNamara
	Mike Conniff	April 22	Brad Krouskup
April 8	Larry Pegram	April 25	Steve Ellenberg
	John Elliott		Jeff Moore
April 9	Dick Reilly	April 28	Jorj Tilson
	Mark Walker	April 29	Jim Eller
April 10	Maggie Bludau		Rich Teel
April 11	Tony Estremera		Ray Triplett
April 12	Barry Del Buono	April 30	Jim Nielsen
	Chip McDonald		





*Volunteers Needed!*

**HELP KIDS ENJOY  
THEIR FIRST FISHING  
EXPERIENCE**



Rotary's Annual Fishing Event for Third Graders is Saturday, April 29th at Hellyer Park. We need volunteers to help the kids set up tackle, bait hooks (no worms!) and net fish. Volunteers need not be Rotarians. There will be approximately 300 kids and their teachers from Washington, Lowell, Horace Mann and Grant Academy schools.

***Fishing expertise NOT required!***



<b>Date:</b>	<b>April 29, 2006</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Hellyer Park Lake</b>
<b>Equipment needed:</b>	<b>Nail clippers to cut line &amp; Towels to wipe hands</b>
<b>Bonus:</b>	<b>Famous Rotary Tri-tip BBQ</b>



*If you can help, please contact:*

Barry Cristina  
(408) 938-4932

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## District Conference April 28 - 30, 2006

This year's District Conference will be held at Santa Clara Marriott Hotel on April 28 - 30, 2006. Deadline for early registration is March 31, 2006 with Club incentives for a grand prize for 2 season tickets to the Celebrity Forum Speaker Series at De Anza College in Cupertino. Previous speakers at this series were Colin Powell, Tom Wolfe, Bill Moyers, and Tom Friedman. To register for the conference and make your hotel reservations log onto [www.rotary5170.org/events/conf06\\_main.asp](http://www.rotary5170.org/events/conf06_main.asp). District Conference registration forms are also available at the Rotary Office.

 **ROTARY DISTRICT 5170 INVITES YOU TO**

# Cruise the Bay



For the Rotary Foundation

### ITINERARY

Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2006

Noon – 4:30pm

Aboard The Luxurious Galaxy Commodore Yacht

Docked at 2394 Mariner Square Drive, Alameda



### COST

\$150 per person (\$125 of the ticket price goes towards [Your Paul Harris Account](#) with The Rotary Foundation)

### YOUR CRUISE WILL INCLUDE

-  Beautiful vistas of the San Francisco Bay and the Golden Gate Bridge from the 124 foot yacht
-  White glove service of great food and no-host bar drinks
-  Chance to win a Trip for 2 to Paris, France - including a one week stay in a charming French flat
-  Silent Auction and Loads of Entertainment
-  Learn to Play Texas Hold'em, Blackjack and other casino games to earn prizes
-  Free Parking at Mariner Court Office Park

### REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MAY 12<sup>TH</sup>

**YES** Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s) at the price of \$150.00 per person  
Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ table(s) of 10 for \$1,500.00 each in the name of: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to: [District 5170 Rotary Foundation Cruise](#)

Mail this form & check to: Mark Delventhal, Piedmont Montclair Rotary Club, 49 Nace Ave., Piedmont, CA 94611

Your Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Rotary Club: \_\_\_\_\_

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