

# **BULLETIN**



**ROTARY**  
CLUB OF SAN JOSE

Meeting: April 5, 2006 Number 4601

2005-2006 President, Richard S. Campisi



## **Don Kassing** **"Great Cities Have Great Universities"**

As President of San Jose State University, **Don W. Kassing** heads the oldest and one of the largest universities in the 23-campus California State University system. Appointed in 2004, Kassing has moved the university forward in several key areas. Under his leadership, the campus is engaged in university-wide strategic planning, with the goal of making San Jose State University a university of choice by 2010.

As President and in his former role as Vice President for administration and finance, **Kassing** led the development, construction and successful opening of two major campus facilities: the award-winning Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, based on a first-of-its-kind and highly successful partnership with the city of San Jose; and Campus Village, a state-of-the-art residence complex for students, faculty and staff.

Before his appointment to the presidency, **Kassing** had served for more than a decade as Vice President for administration and finance and as Chief Financial Officer. His previous 18 years in higher education included service as Vice President for university relations and administrative services at Murray State University, in Kentucky, and Vice President for development and public affairs at Western State College of Colorado. He also served for two years as President of the Granite City Campus of the Belleville Area College, Belleville, Illinois. Before that, he worked for 11 years in private industry, including eight years in corporate finance and operations management for Brown Group, Inc., and three years with General Motors Corporation.

Active in the community and region, **Kassing** serves on a half dozen local community boards.

**Kassing** holds an M.B.A. and a B.S. in Economics from St. Louis University. He is married with three children and five grandchildren.

## **"Congratulations New Mom"**

On March 29, Rotarian Sharon Landers had a baby girl -- Alicia Simone. As far as we have been able to determine, Sharon is the first active San Jose Rotarian to give birth! Sharon, Simone and husband Joe are all doing well.

**"Save The Date"**  
**Next Rotary Fireside**  
**Friday, May 19, 2006**

### **Rotary Week**

Apr 3	<b>YES</b>	11:45	Gordon House
Apr 4	<b>ELC</b>	7:30	Gordon House
Apr 5	<b>Member Develop</b>	7:30	Coakley-Heaerty
	<b>Executive Chefs</b>	11:15	Summit Center
	<b>Youth &amp; Family</b>	11:30	Summit Center
	<b>Rotary Meeting</b>	12:00	Summit Center
Apr 6	<b>Youth Exchange</b>	7:30	SJUSD

### **~ Boy Scout Popcorn Sale ~**

April 5th Cub Scout Pack 116, Boys Scout Troop 116 and Venture Crew 116 will be on hand to sell popcorn during Rotary lunch. This will be the only time the Scouts will be at Rotary - time to stock your shelves with popcorn!

## District Conference April 28 - 30

Register now to be a part of this exciting weekend at the Santa Clara Marriott. From our opening lunch on Friday with **Major Tammy Duckworth**, to our closing brunch on Sunday featuring the **Speech Contest Finals** and the **Interact Showcase of Talent**, you will be inspired, motivated, and entertained. The **GSE team from Japan** will be our featured forum on Friday, and Saturday's forums will range from **Business Networking** and **Fundraising** to a special session for Rotarians of less than 5 years, **Embrace the Rotary Experience**.

There is something for everyone .... especially you! Sign up today on line at **[www.rotary5170.org](http://www.rotary5170.org)** and consider spending the night at the Santa Clara Marriott at a much-reduced rate. Reservations for the Marriott can also be made through the website.

## District Assembly Workshops Scheduled

The District Assembly will be held 5:00 - 9:00 on Thursday, March 30 (Double Tree Hotel) and 8:00 - 11:00 Saturday, April 1 (Ramada Inn). There will be several workshops as well as the dinner on Thursday evening. For additional information see the form on page 5 of this Bulletin or go to the District website ([rotary5170.org](http://rotary5170.org)) .

## A Special Invitation to New Rotary Members “Energy - Excitement - Embrace the Rotary Experience”

If you have been in Rotary less than 5 years, we invite you to participate with other newer members in a District Conference Forum designed especially for you. Community involvement and service are totally dependent on Rotarians willing and able to serve. This interactive session is designed to energize and inspire new members as well as to gain useful insights for all Clubs on how to promote and sustain new member involvement. After brief panel presentations from members who have been in Rotary 1 to 3 years, the session participants will engage in small group, interactive exercises to share what has worked in terms of their own involvement and to generate new and innovative ideas for engaging new members. All of the information gathered will be compiled and shared with all Clubs via the District Newsletter.

***We want to hear from you! Accept our invitation and sign up today!***

***District Conference Forum #3 “Energy - Excitement - Embrace the Rotary Experience”  
Saturday, April 29, 2006 at 9:40 a.m.***

***Go to Website: [www.rotary5170.org](http://www.rotary5170.org) to register. There is no charge for the Forums.***

## 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, or email her at [dimasd@esuhdsd.org](mailto:dimasd@esuhdsd.org)

## ??? MYSTERY COMMITTEE ???

This committee focuses on projects and needs way beyond San Jose, California.

*Name this Committee and Name this Chair!*

**Take off your tie ! Leave the high heels at home!**



**Your Digital Bridges Committee**

**Proudly Presents:**

**Second Annual Spring Celebrity  
Bocce Ball Tournament!**

**April 26, 2006, Wednesday  
6 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

**Campo di Bocce,  
565 University Avenue, Los Gatos**

**Please RSVP**

**to Pete Verbica (peterv@stvc1.com)  
or Ernie Yamane (eyamane@tsgarch.com)**



**Providing Computers & Scholarship Aid for  
Silicon Valley Schools & Students**

**Only \$50/person.  
Limited tickets.**







*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  
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[barryc@greenwaste.com](mailto:barryc@greenwaste.com)





# Club Registration Form District 5170 2006 DISTRICT ASSEMBLY



**Thursday, March 30/Saturday, April 1 Doubletree Hotel, San Jose**

\$35 per Person PREPAID by March 23<sup>rd</sup> - \$40 per Person after March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

<b>Agenda</b> 4:30-5:30 PM Functional Area Reps Meeting 5:00-6:00 PM Registration and Fellowship 6:00-7:15 PM Workshop Sessions 7:30-9:00 PM Dinner & Program  <b>Please PRINT Your Club Name</b>  <hr style="width: 80%; margin: 0 auto;"/> <b>Rotarian/Guest Name</b>	Please indicate session attending										
	March 30, 2006 6:00-7:15 PM								April 1, 2006 9:00-11:00 AM		
	Club President	Club President Elect	Rotary Foundation	Club Service	Membership	Community Service	Vocational Service	Youth Service	Secretary/Treasurer	International Service	Rotary Foundation
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Total \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$35 each Prepaid by Mar 23rd (\$40 after Mar 23rd)      Total amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to "District 5170."

Prefer you mail Registration Form and check to District Assembly, 101 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

OR Fax Form to Assembly Registration at (408) 736-1919 and mail check as noted above.

Registration Questions to Suzi at 408-736-4971 or Barb at 408-838-9757(cell)