

# **BULLETIN**



**ROTARY**  
CLUB OF SAN JOSE

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2006-2007 President, Gerald A. Silva



## **Andrew Fraknoi**

### **"What the Heck Happened to Pluto: Planets, Dwarf Planets and the New Solar System"**

Renowned and multi-honored scientist, **Andrew Fraknoi**, Chair of the Astronomy Program at Foothill College, is back to enlighten us with news of the cosmos. Last year astronomers shocked the world by declaring that Pluto, the "ninth planet" isn't; it is a "dwarf planet."

**Dr. Fraknoi** will fill us in on what happened in public and behind the scenes. We'll hear about the weird 10th planet, bigger than Pluto, and about a swarm of strange objects now being found at the edge of our solar system. He will show us how our picture of what the solar system includes is changing quickly and dramatically through the use of new instruments on Earth and in space.

The list of **Dr. Fraknoi's** achievements in education, publications (including a forthcoming one for children to be published by the Disney company) and professional associations show not only his creativity but his unusually diligent work habits. He is the recipient of many professional awards, but he has also gained a sort of immortality.

In honor of his work in sharing the excitement of modern astronomy with students, teachers and the public, the International Astronomical Union has named a particular orbiting body **Asteroid Fraknoi**.

Someone must ask him, "What planet are you going around with?" But you'll have a lot more questions as he tells us 'What's up with Out There?'

### **Rotary Week**

May 23	<b>Rotary Meeting Event</b>	12:00 6:00pm	Summit Center Lynn Devou's House
	<b>Rotacare Clinic Open House</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	
May 24	<b>Endowment Board</b>	7:30	Gordon House
Jun 6	<b>Rotary BBQ</b> <b>(Reservations Required)</b>		History Park

### **2007 - 2008 Committee Selection**

***Be sure to check your email for the  
2007 - 2008 Committee Section forms.***

***Every Member should select at least  
one committee that interests you.  
The deadline to return this form  
is June 4, 2007***

***You do not need to notify the office if you  
wish to remain on the same committees.***

## Rotarian Of The Week ~ John Baird

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 John Baird***

John Baird joined Rotary in 2000, and was sponsored was Richard Conniff. He is currently a member of the Board of Directors and has served as Chair of the Youth Exchange and ELC Committees. As Chair of ELC, he was instrumental in doubling the size of the committee, and streamlining the marketing and recruiting process which resulted in an increase in applications. His work on the ELC curriculum has resulted in a more relevant and "student friendly" curriculum. Through his industry contacts, he has been able to book notable keynote speakers from such companies as Apple and Electronic Arts.



John co-chaired (with Gary Shara) Rotary's efforts to rebuild the Rainbow Childcare Center in Slidell LA after Hurricane Katrina. This effort involved collaboration with 24 clubs from districts 5150 and 5170. Through these efforts \$225,000 was raised to help with 6 projects in Slidell. John also produced a DVD to document Rotary's story on rebuilding the Rainbow Center.

## Campbell Rotary Donates to the San Salvador Rotoplast Mission

Campbell Rotary has joined San Jose Rotary in funding the needs of the Rotaplast doctors for the trip to Salvador on June 4th. Campbell Rotary has donated \$650 for the purchase of medical instruments to be used during the trip and the equipment will be donated to local doctors at the end of the trip. Marvin Bamberg has also donated several large poster panels for use in promoting the work of Rotaplast especially at District meetings. Marvin had the posters prepared and mounted at his personal expense as a donation to Rotaplast. Tom Fox of Pleasanton North Rotary will be the Mission Director on the trip. Rotaplast and San Jose Rotary are grateful for the additional support from the District.



## ~ 6/3/07 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 to build a home with other Rotary friends! Sunday, June 3 at 9:00 am we have another work date scheduled in San Jose on Murphy Street. Prior building experience or do-it-yourself skills **NOT** required. Wear **REAL** shoes (no flip flops, etc.) Bring a bag lunch (and a water.) Helmets and tools provided. If you have gloves and safety goggles, bring them.

Be prepared with layered clothing (this means be prepared to take off outer jackets and sweaters if it gets warm.)

**Contact Liesa Fenton by June 1 if you are interested at 666-6064 or [liesa.fenton@smithbarney.com](mailto:liesa.fenton@smithbarney.com).**





## Who Is A Motor Vehicle Enthusiast?

**Anyone** who loves and enjoys Motor Vehicles (MVE). A San Jose **Rotarian** and **Non-Rotary Friends** who "play" with cars, trucks, boats, motorcycles, hot rods, SUV's, campers, trailers, NAS cars, you name it! The vehicles can be antiques, classics, modern gems, and every day drivers. Remember this is not a "concours" it is a "gathering of enthusiastic friends who enjoy cars etc." Ask your "Non-Rotary Friends", "MVE", to bring their pride and joy to the last of a real California BBQ. BBQ reservations required: 297-6100 "MVE" Questions call Dave Gitin at (408) 268-0248.

## 5170 District News

### Youth Protection Certification

**May 22, 2007 from 5:15 - 9:00pm**

Oakland #3 Club (Ring buzzer to get in)  
1736 Franklin Street #200  
Oakland, CA 94612

Contact Person: Mike Cloutier  
510-912-7523  
mic@peets.com

Sign-up online by clicking link <http://www.rotary5170.org/calendar/Event.asp?EventID=742> and scroll down to [Sign Up For This Event](#) and click.

### **Attention: ELC, Youth Exchange, RYLA & Interact, and Washington School Committees**

If you want to be involved with any of these committees or currently serve on one of these committees you are **required** to take the Youth Protection training. Unless you have been through the training you will not be able to assist with the youth on a one on one basis. If you have any questions you may contact Kathy Wiley at 926-2500 or [kathy@kathywiley.com](mailto:kathy@kathywiley.com).

### **Rotary Singles Fellowship looking for Club Representatives**

The purpose of the Rotary Singles Fellowship is to promote fellowship, friendship, and Rotary service among single Rotarians worldwide.

If you are interested visit the below website:

<http://www.rsfcalfornia.org/##>

### **Rotary Foundation Cruise June 3, 2007**

\$150/person

Cruise the Bay on the luxurious Commodore Galaxy Charity Drawing, Silent Auction, Food, Casino Card Games, and more.

If you are interested visit the below website:

<http://www.sanjosesunrise.org/downloads/cruise.pdf>

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS !!

June 1 Pat Dando  
Steve Snell  
June 2 Brenda Davis  
June 3 Rich Randolph  
Larry Wallerstein  
June 4 Ernie Renzel  
June 8 Tim Starbird  
June 9 Dennis Brach  
June 10 Ed Bowen  
Jason Stein  
June 11 Ron James  
June 12 Pamela Anderson-Brule

June 13 George Coakley  
Jeff V. Moore  
June 15 Justin Citti  
Mike Fox, Jr.  
June 16 David Mendez  
Rich Truempler  
June 17 Marilyn Morgan  
Fred Wilhelm  
June 18 John Baird  
Adolph Quilici  
June 20 John DiNapoli  
Cathy Kimball

June 21 Laurie Smith  
June 22 Bob Hennessy  
Peter Pabst  
June 23 Jay Pinson  
Karyn Sinunu  
June 25 Phil Dirickson  
Steve Rubin  
Carl Salas  
June 26 Norm Hulberg  
June 29 Tom Atkinson  
Ray Silva





# ROTARY CLUB OF SAN JOSE

Rotary golfers mark your calendars...

June 29	Cinnabar Hills Golf Club	12:30 pm
July 27	San Jose Muni	11:00 am
Sept 7	Silver Creek Valley Country Club Championship Qualifier	



Please contact Hugh Levenson, Golf Committee chair for the San Jose Rotary Club, for more information. Phone: 925.463.6624 Email: [hugh.levenson@morganstanley.com](mailto:hugh.levenson@morganstanley.com)





The Rotary Club of San Jose presents . . .



# The Spring Barbecue

**Wednesday, June 6, 2007**

Gordon House

San Jose History Park



Motor Vehicle  
Enthusiasts will  
have cars on  
display.



Please return the  
RSVP card to the  
Rotary Office by  
Friday, June 1.



Any cancellations  
after Monday,  
June 4 will be billed.



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**Lunch Barbecue 12:15 pm**

\$20.00 per person

**Evening Barbecue**

\$40.00 per person

**5:00 pm Hospitality Bar**  
and hors d'oeuvres

**6:30 pm Dinner**  
New York Strip Steak  
Corn  
Salad  
Beans  
Dessert

*Members, spouses, and guests  
are invited.*