

BULLETIN



ROTARY
CLUB OF SAN JOSE

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2006-2007 President, Gerald A. Silva



Rolanda Pierre Dixon **"Domestic Violence"**

Domestic violence affects all segments of our society and community. The overall welfare of families and the psychological state of mind of the parent and child are a major concern for us all. Domestic violence also affects many areas of legal Practice, criminal law, civil law and family law to name a few.

Rolanda Pierre Dixon is an Assistant Deputy District Attorney for Santa Clara County and is the county's expert on domestic violence. **Ms. Pierre Dixon** is a graduate of San Jose State University with a BA in Political Science. She received her JD from the University of Santa Clara in 1980. She has handled all types of criminal prosecution; including drunk driving, assault and battery, robbery, juvenile and domestic violence.

Rolanda established the first domestic violence unit in Santa Clara County in 1991 and was the supervisor of the unit until January 2006 when she was promoted to Assistant District Attorney. She now supervises the Family Violence Unit which includes domestic violence, child abuse, physical elder abuse and child abduction. In this capacity the unit members have prosecuted over 5,000 domestic violence cases per year and are considered to be one of the premiere units in California. **Rolanda** also supervises the Dependency Unit and all training for the Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office. She also chairs the Santa Clara County Death Review Team and has since its inception in 1994.

Santa Clara County's Death Review Team was one of the first in the nation and its yearly reports are requested nationwide. **Ms. Pierre Dixon** has presented on the formation of domestic violence units, domestic violence prosecution, victim advocacy and death review in over 15 states and all over California. She trains prosecutors, law enforcement officers, victim advocates, medical professionals, students and the public at large. She is currently the Assistant District Attorney in charge of the Family Violence Unit, Dependency and Training for the Santa Clara County Office of the District Attorney.

Information Available in District Newsletter and Website

Any Member who would like to receive the District Governor's newsletter should send an email to Charlie@wassergraphics.com.

The District website rotary5170.org contains great information about the 60 Rotary Clubs in District 5170 - - Including meeting times and locations - - as well as District activities and programs. Check it out!

Rotary Week

Aug 1	ELC	7:30	Gordon House
Aug 2	Membership Devel	7:30	Coakley-Heagerty
	Rotary Meeting	12:00	Summit Center
Aug 3	Youth Exchange	7:30	SJUSD

Invitation If Visiting Southern Italy

Rotarian Gabriele Soltesz, who enjoyed visiting our club recently, has extended an invitation to all San Jose Rotarians who might be visiting southern Italy to go visit him in Giona del Colle. gsoltesz@alice.it

Rotarian Of The Week ~ Sherry Simmons

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 Sherry Simmons.

Sherry attended her first Rotary event at the age of 8 with her grandfather, who was a Rotarian in Waukegan, Illinois. In 1987 she was installed as a Member in the Okalahoma City Rotary Club and was elected as the first woman on the Board of Directors in 1989. Sherry joined Rotary Club of San Jose on March 2, 1994. Since joining she has served on the Debunking, Event Committee, Membership, Membership Development, Program, RotaCare, Rotary Fish, Rotary Plaza, Los Amigos de Washington, Adult Gift of Life, Endowment Board of Trustees, Board of Directors member, Newsletter contributor for "Name That Rotarian" and "Name That Committee", she was second in the club for most new members 2005-2006, Contributions Committee, Public Relations Committee, Rotary Meeting Summaries Committee, Youth and Family Services Committee, and ongoing as Song Mistress.



Each Rotarian of the Week receives a donated bottle of wine from Bert George.

Next week another active member of our San Jose Rotary Club will be honored.

Reminder ~ Please arrive at the Wednesday meeting early enough to be in your seat no later than 12:20

August Birthdays!!!

Aug 1	Tomas Zazueta	Aug 17	Mark Minor
Aug 2	Romeo Danaïs	Aug 18	Linda Melton
	Mike Falarski		Jim Zuur
Aug 3	Candace Roney	Aug 19	Marshall Burak
Aug 5	Richard Alejandro	Aug 21	Linda Gold
	George Kennedy		Mark Lazzarini
Aug 6	Stu Ganz, Sr.	Aug 23	Rick Alpers
Aug 8	Dion Campisi		Jerry Silva
	Jon Campisi	Aug 24	Jessie Singh
Aug 9	Steve Lopes		Paul Tumason
Aug 10	Oskar Thurnher	Aug 25	Bruce McClelland
	Kay Walker	Aug 26	Bob Fox
Aug 11	De Tran	Aug 28	Tom Cain
Aug 13	Rich De La Rosa	Aug 30	Jeff Gordon
	Stu Ganz, Jr.	Aug 31	Maureen Everett
	Toni Wise		
Aug 14	Larry Hancock		
Aug 16	Al Moore, Jr.		
	Chuck Reed		
	Jay Ross		



August Calendar

	<p>1 7:30am ELC Gordon House</p>	<p>2 7:30am Membership Development Coakley-Heagerty 12:00noon Rotary Meeting Rotary Summit Center</p>	<p>3 7:30am Youth Exchange SJUSD</p>
<p>7 11:30am YES Gordon House</p>	<p>8 7:30am Membership Gordon House 8:00am Downtown Development Hopkins & Carley 11:45 am Program Boy Scouts</p>	<p>9 12:00noon Rotary Meeting Rotary Summit Center</p>	<p>10</p> 
<p>14</p>	<p>15 7:30am Board of Directors Gordon House 12:00pm Book Club Eulipia</p> 	<p>16 7:30am Adult Gift of Life O'Connor Hospital 7:30am Event Gordon House 11:15am Digital Bridges Rotary Summit Center 12:00noon Rotary Meeting Rotary Summit Center</p>	<p>17 7:30am Membership Involvement Gordon House 7:30am Los Amigos Washington School 12:00noon International Service Gordon House 4:30pm Rotacare Health Trust</p>
<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 12:00noon Rotary Meeting Rotary Summit Center</p>	<p>24 7:30 am Endowment Board Gordon House</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29 7:30am Orientation Gordon House</p>	<p>30</p> <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">Fall BBQ</p> 	<p>31</p>