



Meeting: September 10, 2008 Number 4716

2008-2009 President, Bert George

# Gary Citti "District 5170 Governor"

**Gary** was born in San Jose and raised on his grandfather's ranch. He started working with his parents by helping run a floral stand on the weekend while attending school. After graduating from Archbishop Mitty High School, **Gary** became involved in the family business on a full-time basis while attending West Valley College and Santa Clara University.



**Gary** has served on many non-profit boards and has received several community awards, including his club's Rotarian of the Year award, District 5170 Rotary's World Community Service award, Archbishop Mitty High School Outstanding Alumni award, and from Boy Scouts both the "Award of Merit" and the "Silver Beaver".

**Gary** has been a member of the Rotary Club of Santa Clara for over twenty-five years. He and his entire family are Paul Harris members. **Gary** has served on several club and district committees and has had a prominent hand in the district web site. Recently **Gary** chaired the "Centennial District Conference" and he has also chaired the "Rotary Day at Great America".

**Gary** and his wife Linda, were married in 1981 and have two adult children. Gary has close ties to San Jose Rotary because both is brother Chris and son Justin are Members of our club.

## Gordon House Rose Gardens Volunteers Needed This Saturday (9/6/08)!

It's that time of year to get the Gordon House roses ready for the big Fall bloom. Plus, there's lots of weeds that somehow sprung up while Joel (our Rosarian Rotarian) was away on vacation in August. If you'd like to pull a few of those weeds and, even better, if you'd like to learn how to deadhead roses

and fertilize them so they produce one of the biggest blooms of the year...come on out this Saturday from 8am till 10am. Bring your weeding tools and rose clippers. Wear gardening gloves and if you're knees are like mine, bring a kneeling pad. Joel will be there to open the gates at 8am. At 8:30am Joel will give a rose pruning and fertilization presentation/workshop and then we'll go after the roses with a gusto so you can practice all you've learned. Come for as little or as long as you like. Joel will be on hand throughout the event to answer any "rose growing" questions you might have. We're grateful for any help. No need to inform us. Just show up if you can make it. Many thanks. The Gordon House Rose Committee

#### **Rotary Week**

	Sep 9	Membership	7:30	<b>Gordon House</b>
	-	Downtown	8:00	<b>Hopkins &amp; Carley</b>
		Development		
		Program	11:45	Boy Scouts
	Sep 10	Club Finance	7:30	Gordon House
	•	<b>Special Committee</b>	10:30	<b>Summit Center</b>
Meeting with District Governor			nor	
		Rotary Meeting	12:00	Summit Center
	Sep 11	Contributions	7:30	Gordon House
	•	Boundless	4:00	<b>Gordon House</b>
		Playground		

#### **Mark Your Calendars**

October 29, 2008 FLU SHOTS!!

(at the Summit Center)

\$25 Cash Only
No Reservations ~ First
Come First Served



#### **District 5170 News**

**New Ambassadorial Scholars:** The Ambassadorial Scholarship Committee met on June 7, 2008 and selected the applicants who will represent our District in 2009-2010.

Ashanti Brandr was sponsored by the Oakland Sunrise Club and will be going to Mexico to improve his language skills. He is currently a high school math teacher in San Lorenzo and many of his students are Spanish speaking. Ashanti received his undergraduate degree in Engineering from Cal Poly and his Masters in Education from Mills College. He has recently completed a Fulbright Scholarship to India. Ashanti is the founder of the "Ever Forward Club" which supports groups for under privileged youth with goals but lack a network of friends to help them get there.

**Stefanie Shih** received her undergraduate degree in political science from Stanford and will be going to law school. She is the co-founder of "Gumball Capital" which is a non-profit organization that seeks to inspire innovative entrepreneurship for social impact. Gumball Capital provides micro finance around the world. She served on the US-China Economies & Security Review Commission as a bi-partisan federal commission with a legislative mandate to provide recommendation to Congress on energy use and state owned enterprises. She is currently a member of the Rotaract Club, and will be going to study Mandarin.

**lan Cua** is in his third year of med school at Stanford. He received his undergraduate degree in computer science from UC Santa Barbara in 2004, and is currently the manager of the Pacific Free Clinic at Stanford while attending school. He will be going to Mexico to improve his language skills, as many of his patients only speak Spanish. When he is not studying or running the clinic, he enjoys Tae Kwan-Do where he is a Black Belt.

**Shawn Smith** graduated from UC Berkeley in 1999 with a degree in Conservation, and is currently the Program Director of The Earth Institute. She runs a youth leadership development program. Her forty nine youth leaders across the US and Canada train youth in environmental organization skills. She will be going to Ecuador. Her hobbies include bicycle riding, and in 2005 she led a group of students from coast to coast. She is a member of the Cal Honor Society, the Golden Key Honor Society and the Berkeley Alumni Scholars Club.

**Patrick Leu** received his Bachelors Degree in Psychology from Pitzer College and is currently studying French at Laney College. He was a Fulbright Scholar in 2006-2007 to Venezuela. He will be going to Senegal to improve his French speaking skills, learn about African Fish Farming and innovative agriculture in Senegal.

**Leah Machar** will graduate from Stanford in June of 2009 from Stanford with an emphasis on Human Biology. Leah's volunteer experience in a medical clinic in Eretria, Africa motivated her to pursue a medical career. She was a member of her high school Interact Club in Baton Rouge, and is currently involved with Rotaract. While going to school, she also works at the Lucille Packard Children's Hospital. When she receives her undergraduate degree she plans on getting her MD/MPH degree (medical doctor & masters of public health). Leah will be going to Egypt to improve her Arabic language skills.



Rotary Club of San Jose presents . . .

# The Fall Barbecue



Wednesday, September 17, 2008

Gordon House San Jose History Park

Lunch Barbecue 12:15 pm \$25.00 per person



\$50.00 per person

5:00 pm Hospitality Bar
and hors d'oeuvres

6:00 pm Dinner

New York Strip Steak
Salad
Beans
Dessert

Please "Reply" to Carol Schirrmacher @ carols@sjrotary.org by Friday, September 12.

Any cancellations after Monday, September 15 will be billed.



Members, spouses, and guests are invited.



### **Rotary Fish Dinner**

Sunday, September 21st 4:00 p.m. til 7:30 p.m. San Jose Water Company Picnic Facility Santa Cruz Mountain Reservoirs on Black Road

The Rotary Fish Committee invites you to attend an Al-Fresco Fish Dinner at this exclusive venue. This is our annual fund raiser to benefit our spring fishing event for Inner City schoolchildren.

Who: Rotarians, Spouses and Friends

What: Rotary Al-Fresco Fish Dinner and Auction

When: Sunday, September 21st

Where: San Jose Water Company Picnic Facility (Private)

Why: To raise funds for our annual spring fishing event for kids

How Much: \$90 per person payable to the Rotary Club of San Jose Endowment and

under the Memo section write "Fish Dinner"

Menu: An awesome array of fabulous seafood and continental cuisine catered

and heavily sponsored by Parsley, Sage Rosemary and Thyme, and wonderfully complimented by wines selected and donated by our President, Bert George. See poster at our table in the Summit Center

fover for more details.

Note: There will be other entrees available for those who do not prefer fish

What to wear: Casual attire. Dress for the season, but bring a jacket or coat to keep

warm as the sun starts to set behind the beautiful Santa Cruz

Mountains.

What to Bring: A hearty appetite, a desire to have fun and willingness to bid often and

bid high!

What to Do: Enjoy the food and beverages. Bid on silent and live auction items. Take

part in a casting contest for prizes. Go fishing on the pier (catch and re-

lease only...must have a fishing license) HAVE FUN!

How You Can Help: If you have a great auction item you would like to donate, please contact Elizabeth Monley at 408-358-1111 extension 867 or <a href="mailto:emonley@apr.com">emonley@apr.com</a>

Contact the following people to make your reservations!

Carl Honaker. 408-272-0160 or carl.honaker@rda.sccgov.org

Debbie Blackwell: 408-594-1032 or debbie@psrt.com

Maureen Everett: 408-243-2311 or doctor@alaneverettdds.com

## Rotary Fish Dinner Map Sunday, Sept. 21st

