

# **BULLETIN**



**ROTARY**  
CLUB OF **SAN JOSE**

Meeting: November 1, 2006 Number 4629

2006-2007 President, Gerald A. Silva



## **Mimi Blais** **"Ragtime Piano"**

**Mimi Blais** is from Montreal, Quebec, Canada and has received several nicknames during her career: *The female Victor Borge*, *The Celine Dion of the keyboard*, *The French Canadian Liberacette*...but the one she's proud to wear since 1990 is: *The New Queen of Ragtime*.

After completing her classical training at the Quebec Conservatory of Music and McGill University in Montreal, **Mimi** left the beaten path to discover Music with a capital "M". Her career has been guided by passion and whim where classical, folk, jazz, modern, blues, tango, and ragtime all blend together. **Mimi's** passion for ragtime music has led her to travel across the United States and Canada, and it has even taken her to Belgium and Hungary where she received one standing ovation after another.

Because of ragtime music, **Mimi** was invited to perform for the Olympic Celebration *Arts Ashore '96* in Savannah, Georgia and was acting and playing the piano in *Heliotrope* at "Le Theatre du Rideau Vert" and in *Le Diner Farfelu* part I and II at the Cabaret of the Casino of Montreal.

**Mimi** wrote two one-woman shows where she demonstrates her many-faceted talents: *Once upon a time, ragtime*, which shows the importance of ragtime music in the evolution of the American culture, and *An afternoon with Jean-Baptiste Lafreniere*.

As a musical performer, composer, arranger, writer, comedian and singer whose imagination knows no bounds, **Mimi Blais** is in high demand because of her tremendous talent and joyful personality.

### **In Loving Memory** **Lowell Pannell**

#### **Funeral Services:**

**Wednesday, Nov. 1st**  
**11:00 am**

**Antioch Baptist Church**  
**268 East Julian Street**  
**San Jose, CA 95112**



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## Rotarian Of The Week ~ Kathy Wiley

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 Kathy Wiley.***



Kathy Wiley joined Rotary in 2002 and immediately helped organize the Health Fair for Franklin McKinley school district. She then became involved with the Youth and Family Services and Hospitality Committees. She chaired the Youth Exchange Committee in 2005, and is currently working to get our Club certified with the new Sexual Abuse and Harassment Standards required by Rotary International. As chair of the Rotaplast Committee Kathy took a trip to San Salvador where she met the Adult Gift of Life patient, a mother of 6, who will have a mitral valve replacement here in late December.

## Linda Gold Going To Ghana On PolioPlus Trip

Linda Gold is headed off to Ghana to help with a PolioPlus trip. She will report back to the Club when she returns.

20 years ago - there were 125 endemic nations with 350,000 cases and 50,000 deaths a year.

Today - there are just four countries where the disease is still found and there are fewer than 1,000 cases projected for 2006.

The power of Rotary.



## FLU SHOTS

**November 1st**

**COST: \$25.00  
(CASH ONLY)**

**Shots will be given between  
11:30 and 12:15**

**Please wear short sleeves**

**COME EARLY TO FILL OUT THE  
CONSENT FORM**

## HELP WANTED

History San Jose has lost their full time grounds person and the City has replaced her with a half-time person. So Rotary needs volunteers to provide some TLC to the roses and other landscaping at the Gordon House.



If you are interest in helping once a month, please contact Carol at the Rotary Office.

## Rotary Week

Oct 31	<b>Orientation</b>	7:30	Gordon House
Nov 1	<b>Membership Devel Rotary Meeting</b>	7:30 12:00	Coakley-Heagerty Summit Center
	<b>FLU SHOTS!!</b>		
Nov 2	<b>Youth Exchange</b>	7:30	SJUSD

## November 2006 Calendar



		<b>1</b> 7:30am <b>Membership Devel.</b> Coakley-Heagerty 12:00noon <b>Rotary Meeting</b> Summit Center <b>FLU SHOTS!!</b>	<b>2</b> 7:30am <b>Youth Exchange</b> SJUSD
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 7:30am <b>ELC</b> Gordon House	<b>8</b> 12:00 noon <b>Rotary Meeting</b> Summit Center <b>SIGN CELEBRATION &amp; REUNION LUNCH</b>	<b>9</b> 7:30am <b>Contributions</b> Gordon House 12:00 noon <b>Don Goldeen Committee</b> Gordon House
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 7:30am <b>Membership</b> Gordon House 8:00am <b>Downtown Development</b> Hopkins & Carley 11:45 am <b>Program</b> Boy Scouts	<b>15</b> 7:30am <b>Event</b> Gordon House 7:30am <b>Adult Gift of Life</b> O'Connor Hospital 11:15am <b>Digital Bridges</b> Rotary Summit Center 12:00 noon <b>Rotary Meeting</b> Rotary Summit Center	<b>16</b> 7:30am <b>Membership Involvement</b> Gordon House 7:30am <b>Endowment Board</b> Gordon House 7:30am <b>Los Amigos</b> Washington School 12:00noon <b>International Services</b> Gordon House 4:30pm <b>Rotacare</b> Health Trust
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 7:30am <b>Board of Directors</b> Gordon House 12:00 <b>Book Club</b> Eulipia	<b>22</b> <b>NO ROTARY MEETING</b>	<b>23</b> <b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!</b> 
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 7:30 am <b>Orientation</b> Gordon House	<b>29</b> 7:30am <b>Red Badge</b> Gordon House 12:00 noon <b>Rotary Meeting</b> Rotary Summit Center	<b>30</b>