

BULLETIN



ROTARY
CLUB OF SAN JOSE

Meeting: December 10, 2008 Number 4727

2008-2009 President, Bert George

Joseph Serra **“Polio: A Doctor’s 25 Year Battle”**



Joe was born and educated in Detroit, Michigan. He served in Korea from 1950-51 as a Navy medical corpsman with the U.S. Marines. He obtained his pre-med at Albion College, and attended Wayne State University Medical school; graduating in 1960. He interned at Los Angeles County hospital then returned to Wayne State University for his residency in Orthopedic Surgery. **Joe** and his wife, Dorothy, moved to Stockton in 1966 where Joe entered private practice, and co-founded the Stockton Orthopedic Medical group in 1970. **Joe** has served as orthopedic team physician for the University of Pacific, The Milwaukee Brewers farm system, and the Stockton Ports baseball team.

Joe joined the Rotary Club of Stockton in 1977; and served as President in 1990-91. He served as Governor of District 5220 from 1994-95. **Joe** also served on the International PolioPlus committee, and currently is the vice-chair for the PolioPlus Task Force.

Joe has served the Rotary Foundation as a volunteer orthopedic surgeon to Malawi, Africa on five tours, and primarily performing surgery on polio victims called “crawler”. He has received many awards including the Service Above Self award, the Foundation PolioPlus Pioneer award, and the distinguished Service Award of the Rotary Foundation. **Joe** and Dorothy represented Rotary International in Liberia, Africa during their first National Immunization Days in 1999.

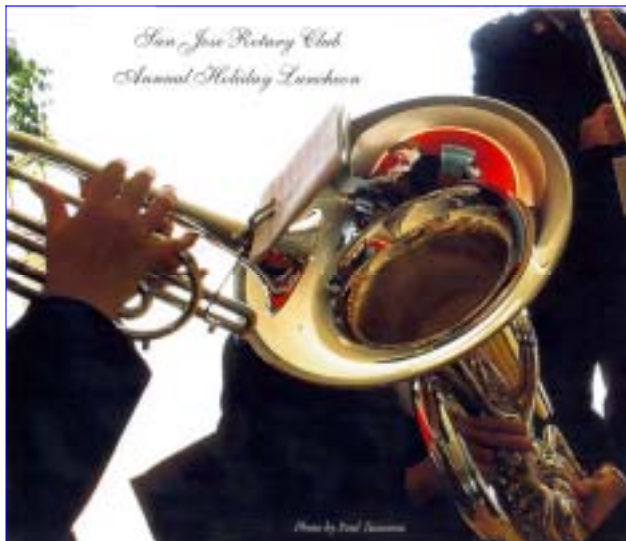
Joe and Dorothy have two grown sons, and three grandchildren. His favorite activities include skiing, mountaineering, travel, and giving presentations about Rotary’s legacy to the world - the eradication of polio.

Rotary Week

Dec 9	Membership Downtown Development	7:30	Gordon House Hopkins & Carley
		8:00	
Dec 10	Red Badge Rota-arts Rotary Meeting	7:30	Gordon House Summit Center Summit Center
		11:00	
		12:00	

Mark Your Calendar

Dec. 17 Holiday Lunch
Dec. 24 NO MEETING
Dec. 31 NO MEETING
Jan. 21 International Day
Mar. 7 “Affair in the Vineyard”



**San Jose Rotary Club
Annual Holiday Luncheon
Wednesday, December 17, 2008**

Cost - \$40 per Person - Paid at the Door
Free Validated Parking

Bring an Unwrapped Gift for a Needy Child (ages 2 - 16)
Salvation Army Band & Kettle Donations
Holiday Music - Lincoln High School Chamber Orchestra
Chocolate Rotary Wheels by Schurra's

Please Respond to the Rotary Office by December 11
Email: Carols@sjrotary.org
Phone: 408-297-6100



**ROTARY AUCTION EVENT RESERVATION FORM
An Affair in the Vineyard
Saturday March 7, 2009**

NAME: _____ BADGE # _____ Today's Date _____

NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS: _____ COST Per Person = \$175.00 TOTAL COST = \$ _____
(you will be billed)

NAMES OF GUESTS: _____

For information/reservations contact Carl Honaker at (408) 272-0160: Carl.Honaker@rda.sccgov.org

**100 Year Celebration
Opportunities for Rotarians to Provide Input
(All Working Groups Meet at the Gordon House)**

Tues.	Jan. 6	12:00	Celebration (lunches, dinner, etc.)
Tues.	Jan. 6	4:00	History (book, plaques, DVD, etc)
Thurs.	Jan. 8	12:00	Legacy (community/international project, etc.)
Mon.	Jan. 12	4:00	Awareness (light poles, community events, etc.)



Rotary Club of San Jose Annual Event
Saturday, March 7, 2009
At the Rotary Summit Center

Donor Name:

Company Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

GIFT ITEM: Please describe the donation AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT TO APPEAR IN THE PROGRAM. We especially want to make sure we acknowledge you (our generous donor) correctly. Please include any restrictions: date of expiration, age – (must be over 21), weight (must be under 300 pounds), etc.

Please note that any item that involves a use such as dinners, travel, etc. will have a **ONE-YEAR** expiration.

ITEM:

DESCRIPTION:

VALUE OF DONATION: \$

All donations must have this form completed.

Please FAX to Carol at (408) 297-6291 **by January 13, 2009.**

If the item is in the form of a gift certificate or letter, please attach it to this form. If you have any display material that can assist us in promoting your item (pictures, programs, menus, appropriate memorabilia), please include them with the item.

ALL items should be delivered to the Rotary Office no later than Friday, **February 20, 2009.** Please call Liesa Fenton at (408) 666-6064 if you have any questions.