



The Rotary Club of San Francisco West



Meetings: Tuesday mornings, 7:30 a.m., Lakeside Restaurant, Ocean Ave

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THE NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TODAY'S SPEAKER

EMILY AVERA

Emily Avera, Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar 2007 to South Africa, sponsored by the Rotary Club of San Francisco West. Emily studied political science at [University of Cape Town](#), where she expects to receive her master's degree after her dissertation is accepted. During studies and travels in South Africa, she maintained a [blog](#) about her adventures. She graduated from [Pomona College](#), one of the Claremont Colleges. Before leaving for South Africa, Emily was campaign coordinator and program associate at the [Chinese Culture Center of San Francisco](#). She continues her work to increase the rate of donations of bone marrow among Asian Americans.



Emily Avera exchanges Rotary banners with Myra Goldenbaum, President, Cape Town Rotary Club

The Club had a meeting.....and how many made it ???

And so a few brave souls forged ahead with awards booklets, relying on good memories and a few photos...scratching heads and scratch paper. We are counting on the next meeting to fill in the blanks....so you blankity-blanks better show next time!!!

WE'RE HAVIN' A BLOOD DRIVE, ITS GONNA BE SOOO MUCH FUN, DON'T MISS IT ...MARCH 8TH

Next week's Speaker

From the [Joanne Pang Foundation](#), we have Chairman **Joseph Pang, Ph.D.** and CEO/President **Scott Hildula**. The Joanne Pang Foundation works in collaboration with the University of California, San Francisco, to promote the development of a nonprofit Northern California Umbilical Cord Blood Bank (NCUBB). Joseph Pang received his Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor in 1986 and was a postdoctoral fellow at the Stanford University in 1986 to 1987. He authored the book *See Daddy! That's the New Kite*, describing the journey of his 9-year-old daughter Joanne battling leukemia. Joseph now manages the Analytical R&D department for In Site Vision, Inc., a biopharmaceutical company developing novel ophthalmic products. Scott Hildula is a former award-winning journalist who reported for several newspapers, magazines and agencies in the U.S. and overseas, including the *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Money magazine*, *San Francisco Business Times*, *San Jose Business Journal*, *Peninsula Times-Tribune* and UPI. He currently is principal of Red Umbrella Group, a San Francisco-based communications consulting agency. Scott formerly served on the boards of the San Francisco Museum and Historical Society and San Francisco Rotary #2. He holds a B.S. in Political Science from Grinnell College and lives in San Francisco with his wife and two children.