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## President's Message

Dear Colleagues,

I'm excited about our May 4 meeting since we will be introducing Carol Beddhome, Executive Director of the Open Heart Kitchen. As your President, I am extremely proud of your Board of Directors, who were instrumental in approving our support of this worthy organization. I believe this action is indicative of the heart of all our members and trust you will join me in making Carol feel welcome as we present her with a donation and as she spends a few moments sharing what goes on at Open Heart Kitchen!

Please note another important date: On **June 8** we will be hosting a special "Honor Our Past Presidents" event. The agenda will include the presentation of our new slate of Officer and Director nominees. More details will follow, but you won't want to miss this meeting, so be sure and mark your calendars!

I will be looking forward to seeing you on May 4<sup>th</sup> for what promises to be a great meeting!

WarmRegards,  
Dick Warga

## "Mediation in Trusts & Estates Disputes: Who Needs It?"

We are thrilled to have attorney **John A. Hartog** as our speaker on May 4. Mr. Hartog is a California certified specialist both in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law and in Taxation Law. He is a Fellow of the American College of Trusts and Estates Counsel, and he is a member of California Trust and Estate Counselors, LLP. Mr. Hartog practices in Orinda.

Our speaker has an encyclopedic knowledge of estate planning and taxation law. He is a prolific writer on those subjects and frequently speaks to groups of professionals.

Among his many professional activities Mr. Hartog serves as a mediator in trusts and estates disputes. His expertise and experience will result in a highly informative presentation.

The meeting on May 4 is your last opportunity to earn continuing-education credit before our June social program and summer break. Join us for an outstanding educational and networking opportunity!

**Thursday, May 4, 2006**

**Crowne Plaza Pleasanton  
11950 Dublin Canyon Rd.**

**6:00 PM** Wine and Registration

**6:30 PM** Dinner and Speaker

\$30 Mail-in Registration

\$35 At the door

*Reservations and cancellations must be received by Tuesday, May 2 at 1:30 pm, to be assured of a reservation. Please send your check today! Or call Bonni at: 925.686.4819*

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