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MEETING of 23 SEPTEMBER 2002

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAY

'Twas the Equinox, and that portent of the season, the annual District Governor's visitation, was upon us. But lo! Rising above his modest educational roots in an East Bay diploma factory distinguishable only by its prominent campanile and blue-and-gold motif, District Governor BRAD HOWARD gave a lively talk, ably matched wits with the MICKELSONs and PLAYERS among us, and provided the highlight of a truly enjoyable meeting.

OPENING REMARKS



BOB BROWN led the pledge of allegiance. DAVID BLITZ's opening remarks took us on a witty and enjoyable journey of 30 years down memory lane, commenting on the presidents, Oscar-winning movies, and other recollections from 1972, 1982, 1992, and, finally, this year. Accompanied by SKIP HOYT, President LE LEVY sang the first of his two special lyrics of the day: "Ro Ta Ree," to the tune of "Ain't She Sweet?" DICK FREEMAN introduced visiting Rotarians District Governor BRAD, Assistant District Governor GINNY LEAR, ROY LAVE, JOANNE BYRNE, and (from Bombay) PRADEEP GOYAL. HAL MICKELSON's guest was Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce's TRACY HUTCHINSON, and DICK FREEMAN introduced realtor LEANNA HUNT. Visiting Rotarian PRADEEP described his South Bombay club's "village adoption program" to provide teaching in tribal villages where there are no schools, and asked us to consider partnering with his club.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

September 30 – JUAN FORSTER, a partner in Rotary service from Guatemala City, will provide perspectives from his country.

October 7 – It's time for another round of New-and-Seasoned-Members Talks! IRIS KOROL will moderate.

October 14 – DEAN WILKENING, director of the Science Program at Stanford University's Center for International Security and Cooperation, on "Bioterrorism."

THIS & THAT

President LE recognized good Scouter JOHN RICHERS' service as today's cashier.

ANNETTE GLANCKOPF recognized club superstar IRIS KOROL and, especially, the meet-the-new-members soiree at IRIS's home on September 11, with (what better?) beautiful irises.



NINA MOORE reminded us of the October 12 Stanford-Washington State tailgate party starting at 11:30 a.m. Tickets remain available!

President LE thanked MARK SHAFFER for providing a Ricketts meeting room for a pre-lunch caucus with District Governor BRAD.

ART STAUFFER's tireless squad will again feed the homeless, at the First Presbyterian Church from 3:15 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 2. He needs more volunteers. ART also wants to thank those who worked with him on August 28: CHESLEY and SHIRLEY DOUGLAS, WES GARDINER, LYLE CONNELL, ISRAEL ZEHAVALI, and SUSAN WALKER and her bank colleague JOANNA

THIS & THAT ETC.

KAREN BROSI bounded to the podium to put the arm on President's Club candidates. DAVID WITTENKAMP's company has returned to Sweden but he would prefer to remain a member of our club. Our economist/treasurer DICK CARLSON had been quoted in the Daily News to the effect that the economy will revive by early next year; DICK and KAREN agreed that DICK will pay \$50 now, and if the economy does in fact revive KAREN will match the \$50 after the first of the year. KAREN then handed off to HAL MICKELSON who elicited donations from all those members who would acknowledge any Campanile U. nexus: VIC ROSASCO, STEVE EMSLIE, President LE, JULIE JEROME, and IRIS KOROL.

BOB SMITHWICK brought us news of BILL MILLER, who is recovering at home from heart valve replacement surgery but would prefer no calls or visitors quite yet.

Finally, lest cross-bay rivalry be forgot, STEVE PLAYER gave District Governor BRAD two special gifts for himself: A Stanford football pressbook and two press box tickets to the Stanford-Oregon State football game at Stanford Stadium on November 16.

District Governor BRAD then presented recognition pins to seven deserving members for special service to Rotary: DICK FREEMAN, BOB SMITHWICK, IRIS KOROL, SAM WEBSTER, ART STAUFFER, GEORGE WHEATON, and WALT HAYS.

NEARBY ROTARY CLUB MEETING PLACES

TUESDAY

Los Altos Sunset: The Echo Restaurant, Los Altos, 7:15 p.m.
Mountain View: Adobe House, Moffett & Central, Mountain View, 12:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Menlo Park: Menlo Park Recreation Center, Menlo Park, noon.
Woodside/Portola: Woodside Village Church, Woodside, 7:30 a.m.

THURSDAY

Los Altos: Garden House, Shoup Park, Los Altos, 12:15 p.m.
Palo Alto Sunrise: Scott's Seafood Restaurant, Embarcadero and El Camino Real
Palo Alto, 7:30 a.m.

FRIDAY

Palo Alto University: Sheraton, El Camino, Palo Alto, 7:30 a.m.
San Carlos: Salvatore's Restaurant, San Carlos, 12:15 p.m.

TODAY'S PROGRAM



President LE's second lyric of the day, "The Battle Hymn of District 5170," sung ensemble with SKIP's fine accompaniment, brought on District Governor BRAD. For the occasion,

those of us with Stanford nexus (and who had remembered) had worn red garments, but District Governor BRAD was up for it, trading jibe for jibe. Then BRAD turned serious, challenging us to bring the message of Rotary to potential members drawn from the class of young people still seeking to establish themselves in the world by persuading them of the good Rotary can do for them as well as for others. BRAD's personal understanding of the value of his Rotary service to himself came when his three-year-old daughter told him, after a service project, "Daddy, you did a really good thing." BRAD encouraged us all to recognize this value for ourselves and to communicate it to potential members.



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