

ROTARY CLUB of **Rotary** PALO ALTO, CALIF. **Pinion**

MEETING of: December 9, 2002

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MEANWHILE, TODAY ..



SY GREENSTONE accepted our lunch money, **BOB WHITEHAIR** led the pledge to the flag, and **SKIP HOYT** accompanied "America the Beautiful."

OPENING REMARKS



SANDRA NIEMANN's opening remarks revisited Kent Keith's "The Paradoxical Commandments." They're all good; a couple of the best: "If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives. Do good anyway." And "Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable. Be

honest and frank anyway." Thanks **SANDRA**

GUESTS

HARRY KALLSHIAN introduced visiting Rotarian **RICHARD SCHOELERMAN** from Denver Southeast. **WALT HAYS** introduced **HILLARY FREEMAN's** guest **ADAM ATITO**, incoming chairman of the board of Palo Alto Jaycees.

President **LE** inducted new members **TRACY HUTCHISON** (sponsored by **HAL MICKELSON**), **LEANNAH HUNT** (sponsored by **DICK FREEMAN**) and **VERNON THOMPSON** (sponsored by President **LE** himself). Welcome to the club, **TRACY**, **LEANNAH** and **VERNON!**



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

December 16 – A special Holiday Program by the wonderful Baroque Choral Guild!

December 23 – No meeting: **HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

December 30 – No meeting: **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING PARTY

It's Palo Alto Rotary Holiday Party time, Friday evening, December 13, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the home of Mitch and Linda Miller, 2297 Ramona (between California Avenue and Oregon Expressway) in Palo Alto. There'll be merriment and music and food and drink, so y'all come **AND** (1) last names A through L bring an appetizer, (2) last names M through Z bring a chilled bottle of white wine (no red please!), and (3) if you haven't signed up call **NINA MOORE** to let her know you're coming. Volunteers are still needed, **AND** we're all invited to drop by Mitch and Linda's Thursday evening to help set up!

UPCOMING FIELD TRIP

Mark your calendars: On Sunday, April 6, 2003, the club will visit its memorial redwood grove in Big Basin State Park to honor deceased members and to enjoy a picnic in the beautiful park setting.



Trying a new approach, President **LE** called for strictly voluntary contributions to any of the various club causes that compete for our checkbooks and got a gratifying response: **MARCIE COX** contributed to the Wheelchair Foundation to celebrate one son's safe return from a long trip, another son's successful completion of a film project, and her own good prognosis after a recent car accident. **JULIE JEROME** contributed to the Rotary Endowment to honor her daughter's Ph.D. in cultural anthropology from the University of Chicago. Brand new member **TRACY HUTCHISON** joined the President's Club because she is a 5th generation Rotarian and the mother of a child who (courtesy of his grandfather) is already a Paul Harris Fellow. **MICKEY WHEAT** rounded her cumulative Rotary Endowment donation up to "the next thousand." And **BILL BUSSE** contributed to the Rotary Endowment in anticipation of his family's forthcoming holiday cruise. Thanks to all!

TODAY'S PROGRAM



JULIE JEROME introduced our own **MARY FRANCES CALLAN**, the Palo Alto Unified School District Superintendent, who gave a most interesting and informative statement of her own educational philosophy, of the district's goals and what it is doing to reach them, and of the political and financial context in which public schools must operate today. She gave the PAUSD good marks for performance to date but made clear that there is much still to be done, in today's difficult economic climate, if we are to honor her credo that education is the most important thing a society can do.



NICK NICHOLS reminded us that anyone who would like to help provide warm coats for needy children should get in touch with **NICK** right away!

At President **LE**'s suggestion we passed the holiday hat for our devoted **Rickeys** waitstaff.

DICK FREEMAN whispered in your scribe's ear that he is still selling those wonderful Entertainment Books that offer two-for-one meals at fine restaurants as well as hotel, sporting- event-admission and many other discounts. You pay \$20 – you could recoup this modest price with just one dinner at Sundance! – and the club benefits by \$4. Call **DICK**, anytime after 10 a.m



DUANE KALAR pointed out that CY 2002 tax benefits can accrue to the member who donates to the Rotary Endowment before the end of the month!

PALO ALTO ROTARY

PRESIDENT: Le Levy. **PRESIDENT ELECT:** Bill Busse. **PAST PRESIDENT:** Sara Pantin. **DIRECTORS:** Lisa Akselrad, Pam Brandin, Annette Glanckopf, Dick Mansfield, Nick Nichols, Rick Tipton. **TREASURER:** Dick Carlson. **SECRETARIES:** Dick Freeman, Sandra Wallace, Bob McCowan.. **CLUB RECORDS:** Joyce Cusick, parotaryrecords@aol.com.

NEARBY ROTARY 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.



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