

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

MEETING of: February 3, 2003

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## IMPORTANT FUTURE EVENT



**THE CRAB CARNIVALE.** This time it was the indefatigable **DICK MANSFIELD**, belittling his never-ending efforts to support this club by referring to himself as the Chief BeanCounter,

who stood to remind us that ALL of us are needed to make our major fundraising effort of the year a success. Needed to make contributions of items that can be auctioned. ( See **G. SPERLING**.) Needed to be there and lend support. And needed, above all else, to make sure we invite friends and acquaintances to come and be a part of a very fun, very worthwhile evening. (See **I. KOROL** for tickets.) That's Sunday, February 23, Rickeys Camino Ballroom, starting at 5 p.m.

## OPENING REMARKS



**OPENING: BILL MILLER**, who is obviously **STILL** suffering from the Past President's disease of **MWS** (Mike Withdrawal Syndrome), gave President **LE** the dreaded "ohmygod, he's going to go on forever" experience. But after several digressions he actually redeemed the whole thing by reminding us that we only grow old if we lose interest in other 'cats'. Or something.

## NEW MEMBER INDUCTION



**CYRILLE BETANT**, a delightful Swiss now living permanently in the U.S. who has a family history with Rotary, was warmly welcomed as a New Member of the club.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

February 10 – New/Beenaroundforawhile Member Talks

February 17 – No Meeting (President's Day)

February 24 – **DON ALLEN**, Past President of Cupertino Rotary and an excellent speaker who knows Polio first hand, will kick off Rotary International's final **POLIO ERADICATION CAMPAIGN**.

## GUESTS & SUCH



**VR's & GUESTS:** Several. And all well introduced.



## THE AUCTION

**THE NOTYOURTYPICALDEBOXEDGIRLSOUTBROWNIE AUCTION:** **STEVE PLAYER**, after reading **DARYL SAVAGE'S** immodest description of her bountiful bucket of beautifully baked brownies was actually able to pull a hundred big ones out of **SKIP HOYT'S** table in support of the Crab Carnivale. Thanks to **DARYL**, **SKIP**, and the lucky table. And to top it off, **STEVE** was able to pull \$40 each from **JOHN O'KEEFE** and **BRIAN STEEN** for two vouchers each to all Stanford spring sports. But get ready. Next week two courtside tickets to the **SU vs. Wewantpaybackbigtime ASU Sun Devil's BB game**.

## TODAY'S PROGRAM



**MARILYN YALOM** was introduced as 1) the author of **Blood Sisters**, **A History of the Breast**, **A History of the Wife**, and the upcoming **The Birth of the Chess Queen**; and 2) a Senior Scholar at Stanford's Institute for Research on Women and Gender by an admiring **JUDY**

**KLEINBERG**. She lived up to the glowing intro by very adroitly condensing 2500 years of dramatic change in Western culture's attitude toward women and marriage. From the Early Greek's concept of woman as a procreation commodity, to the Roman Empire's introduction of the radical idea of a woman's consent in marriage (albeit husbands were still free to batter as they pleased so long as they didn't murder), to Christendom's sanctification of marriage (albeit that a married woman who could copulate for procreation was clearly second fiddle to a virgin), to Shakespeare's suggestion that love should play a primary role in marriage to a time when lifelong love & marriage is now losing its long term supremacy to what might be called serial marriage. Very well received presentation!

## 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.

## FALDERAH & FINES

**AND THEN THERE WAS KAREN:** Can't believe the mike energy of the ever demure, ever coy Ms. **BROSI!** It worked to facilitate the "pres club" contributions from **DICK & ELLIE MANSFIELD** for enjoying their non rocket scientist/musician son **KARL** perform on Broadway. And then **JERRY BLUM** happened to mention that, by the way, his son had just been selected as a Trustee for the local Junior University. Wow! So of course **ALLAN MICHAEL TRAU GOTT** had to jump in and remind us all that that same institution rejected his student application just 40 years ago. (Let's see, did we say anything to suggest we might be at all interested?) But thanks for the 20 bucks, **MIKE**.



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