

ROTARY CLUB of Rotary Pinion

ALO ALTO, CALIF.

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THE ROAD TO STARDOM STARTS WITH A CRUTCH!
President Elect-Elect PAM BRANDIN and Board Director par excellence RICK TIPTON both arrived sporting crutches. Prez LE's conclusion: "If you aspire to high office in our Club, break a leg...or the equivalent!" Lots of aspirants were seen stumbling out of the meeting.

OPENING REMARKS



Aforementioned Director RICK shared a story to illustrate that having a disability gives one a unique understanding of, and empathy with, those similarly afflicted. In this poignant story a boy with polio insisted on taking the runt of the litter. Well done and a great lead-in to today's program.

GUESTS

DICK CARLSON: Visiting Rotarians and Guests Speaker
DON ALLEN: His guest, retired marine colonel BILL PEACOCK. GLORIA HOM: Her son-in-law's brother and a past and future associate of President LE's, investor counselor TYSON LAI RALPH KELLER: His bride of 64 years, JANE. Way to go KELLERS! DICK FREEMAN's guest, TOM



GRACO, was there but not introduced. (This due apparently to the a number of previous intros. TOM is a potential new member).

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March 3 – Nobel Prize winner and former Stanford Business School dean MIKE SPENCE.

March 10 – KEITH KVENVOLDEN, emeritus USGS geochemist, "The Future of Natural Gas."

March 17 – JOE KRESSE, Foundation for Global Community, "Business and Sustainability: The Next Wave of Innovation."

RED HOT CARNIVALE

"THE CHECK IS IN THE MAIL?"

A Crab Report by our co-chairs...JOERG SPERLING and PAM BRANDIN: "The bidding and attendance were excellent...The final numbers will be in soon!...The check is in the mail!"

SUPPORTING CAST WAS AMAZING!?"

It may have been easier for Joerg and Pam to acknowledge the Club Members who were not part of the committee, but here goes the list of most of those involved: LISA AKSELRAD...CHARLIE BEALL...BETSY BECHTEL...SUSAN BLACK...ANGELIKA BLENDSTRUP...KAREN BRADLEY-FOLLETTE...KAREN BROSI...TRISH BUBENIK...BILL BUSSE...MARY FRANCES CALLAN...DICK CARLSON...LYLE CONNELL...MIKE COUCH...CYNTHIA CRITTENDEN...HERSH DAVIS...DIANA DIAMOND...JACK DORGAN...CHESLEY DOUGLAS...DICK FREEMAN...HILLARY FREEMAN...ANNETTE GLANCKOPF...SY GREENSTONE...WALT HAYS...HIG HIGGINS...GLORIA HOM...LEANNAH HUNT...CAROL JANSEN...JOSEPH JOHN...BILL JOHNSON...LOU KAVANAU...JOHN KIDD...LIZ KNISS...IRIS KOROL...ROB LANCEFIELD...DON LANGENDORF...LE LEVY...TODD LEWIS...RACHEL MEYER...HAL MICKELSON...BILL MILLER...MITCH MILLER...BOB MOBERG...ANDY MOSER...DAVID NEGRIN...SANDRA NIEMANN...JOHN O'KEEFE...STEVE PLAYER...DAVID PRICE...JOHN RICHERS...VIC ROSASCO...BERT ROSE...DARYL SAVAGE...STEVE SCHAPER...MARK SHAFER...CHALMERS SMITH...BOB SMITHWICK...WARREN THOITS...WAYNE THOMAS...VERNON THOMPSON...MIKE TRAUOGOTT...DAVE VAN ATTA...SUSAN WALKER...BRAD WEEKS...MICKEY WHEAT...GEORGE WHEATON...RYAN WILLIAMS and GEOFF ZIMAN. Way to go, Team!!!

MOST INSPIRATIONAL



“was the report by a number of our astute members. Area Polio Plus Director WALT HAYS introduced Incoming District Governor DON ALLEN, who presented a short video and a great talk on the global impact of Polio Plus. What made DON’s presentation so engaging was the fact that at age 13, and an aspiring athlete, he became a polio victim. Now, with the opportunity of ridding the planet of this dreaded disease, DON’s message really struck home.



Following his presentation our Club Polio Plus Chairman DON LANGENDORF encouraged one and all to make a pledge to Rotary International so that the seven countries in which polio exist s today can join the rest of the world in becoming polio free. As both DONs pointed out, it’s a noble cause and one in which all of us as Rotary members can take great pride! Please send your pledge in to DON LANGENDORF at 555 Byron St. #210, Palo Alto 94301. The suggested amount is \$100 for each of three years.

We are also asking the greater community to support this effort. Look for the continuing series of POLIO PLUS ADS in the Palo Alto Daily. The ads are provided at half cost by DAVE PRICE.

Our guru of the Crab Carnivale Bar, STEVE SCHAPER, reported that 8 cases of beer and 1 1/2 cases of wine were available for sale following the meeting. A number of broken legs were reported in the rush to buy.....ART STAUFFER gave credit to the members who helped feed 85 homeless last Wednesday: SY GREENSTONE, WES GARDINER, new member CYRILLE BETANT, DARYL SAVAGE, LYLE CONNELL, STEVE SCHAPER and ART, of course...Group Study Exchange chair KEN WEIGEL encouraged members to host the GSE visitors from Viet Nam. The team will be here from Sunday, April 20 to April 24. Call KEN if you are able to take advantage of this international opportunity...See DICK MANSFIELD if you left anything, other than money, at the Carnivale...President LE held up a watch found near the Silent Auction tables. Check your wrist!...There will be a GUATEMALA TRIP post mortem at WALT and KAY HAYS home as we go to press. An exchange of photos, stories and watches will take place. “Hey, WALT and friends, when are you going to give a full report to those of us who had to stay home?”

PALO ALTO ROTARY

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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

LOST & FOUND

Did you lose a woman’s watch at Crab Carnivale? Call WAYNE THOMAS, (650) 330-4707.

OFF THE WALL

For those of you who eat the meatless meal at Rotary....here is the derivation of the word, “vegetarian.” “It comes from an old Indian word that means, ‘lousy hunter’!”



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