

ROTARY CLUB of Rotary

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MEETING of: March 31 2003

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HONOR THOSE WHO SERVE

LEANNAH HUNT asked us to honor those who serve our country, and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

THE HIGHEST GOOD



JOHN KIDD's opening remarks evoked the spirit of the Bhuddist people of Bhutan, who accept and understand what is good and what is not but do not judge. In the atmosphere of moral certitude that pervades much of the debate over events in the Middle East, JOHN encouraged us to join with those who, on April 1,

will pray that leaders around the world will make all their decisions, nonjudgmentally, based on the highest good of all beings on earth.

GUESTS

Three guests today: TED LARSEN (by SKIP HOYT), Russian freelance writer MARTIN MELODYEV (by ISRAEL ZEHAVI), and ARNE STOSCHEK of Volkswagen of America (by GEORGE SPERLING).



URBAN MINISTRY

STEVE SCHAPER was cookin' at last week's Urban Ministry feed-the-homeless project when his towel caught fire, but he was saved by a vigilant DARYL SAVAGE. In gratitude STEVE contributed \$10 to the club. Also on duty for Urban Ministry: DARYL's sons, chair ART STAUFFER, SY GREENSTONE, SKIP HOYT, and CYRILLE BETANT

ANNOUNCEMENTS, etc.

President LE announced that STEVE's \$10 and all other tithes received today would go to the Polio Eradication drive. With about half the club participating to date we have accumulated over \$22,000 in gifts and pledges. There are many ways to help: \$25 tickets for an As/Twins baseball game on May 21 will yield \$10 per ticket for polio eradication: Call DON LANGENDORF for more info. WALT HAYS is placing collection jars in retail establishments: Call WALT if you can help. And then there was the inimitable MICHAEL TRAUOGOTT, accepting donations from all over: March 10 speaker KEITH KVENVOLDEN sent \$200 and his host, TODD LEWIS, added \$100; WALT HAYS brought \$450 from former member CHRIS LINDSEY; BRAD WEEKS contributed a President's Club stipend in honor of his children; HAL ULRICH agreed to "do the three years all at once"; JOHN BRACKEN contributed to honor his late wife and "anyone else in this room who has lost a spouse"; and MICHAEL himself gave to honor his late father. Keep those checks (to Rotary Foundation) and pledges coming to drive chair DON LANGENDORF!

KEN WEIGEL needs one more home for the fifth of our GSE visitors from Vietnam beginning April 20. And KEN asked for drivers and helpers for a tour to San Francisco on April 24. Call KEN if you can help. DAVE SMULLIN added that the five will visit the club on April 21, and asked for suggestions of an industrial or semi-industrial site for the group to visit. Call DAVE.

BIG BASIN MEMORIAL GROVE

It's time for our visit to Palo Alto Rotary Club Memorial Grove in Big Basin Redwoods State Park! Meet on Wilkie Way, immediately behind Rickeys, at 9 a.m. Sunday, April 6 (don't forget Daylight Saving Time!), to car-pool to the park. CHESLEY DOUGLAS provided further details: Bring a lunch (but no alcohol, please) and be prepared for a \$5-per-vehicle park entrance charge. BRIAN STEEN will be our host. The names of deceased members will be read. SID AKSELRAD will lead a spiritual activity. Then we'll picnic, and return to Wilkie Way by midafternoon. This will be a very special Rotary event in an especially beautiful setting.

THEATRE WORKS



RANDY ADAMS, the managing director of TheatreWorks, was introduced by JUDY KLEINBERG. RANDY painted an engaging picture of our own regional theater group, the fifth largest in the Bay Area, which performs 45 weeks out of the year at Lucie Stern Theatre and Mountain View Performing Arts Center on an annual budget of \$5 million, 40 percent of it donated.

TheatreWorks has 11,000 subscribers and plays to about 110,000 people each year. RANDY described this year's and next year's seasons, told us about the TheatreWorks for Schools program, and answered several questions about this important community resource.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

April 7 – New and Mature Member Talks!

April 14 – ELISABETH PATÉ-CORNELL, Chair of Stanford's Department of Management Science and Engineering, on causes of the crash of Shuttle Columbia.

April 21 – Stanford law professor LAWRENCE LESSIG on "The Future of Ideas": Will corporate and government attempts to control the Internet stifle creativity?

WE CARE!

If you have any information on members beset by illness or injury, please share it with BOB SMITHWICK. We do care!

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

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