

ROTARY CLUB of **R**otary **P**ALO ALTO, CALIF. **ini**on

MEETING of: July 28, 2003

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OUR FLAG WAS STILL THERE



After BOB BULMORE led the pledge of allegiance, SKIP HOYT played and WALT HAYS conducted as we sang the Star Spangled Banner.

Maestro BILL BUSSE unveiled our brand new Rotary "Lend a Hand" banner.

GUESTS



ART STAUFFER called for guests and visiting Rotarians and turned up two former members! F.M. CHUCK McLAUGHLIN was reintroduced by BOB BROWN. F.M.



and visiting Rotarian JIM STEELE was back in town from Boise. Traveled farthest: Visiting Rotarian KUISMA NIEMELA from Finland.



ROTARY 30 SECONDS

In about four minutes Maestro BILL taught us (1) that Rotary is in 166 countries worldwide, (2) that the latest such country is Afghanistan, (3) that the next RI convention will be in Osaka, (4) that the brand-new Kabul club has 41 members, and (5) that RI's "membership month" is August.

OPENING REMARKS?



JERRY BLUM shared his reflections on attendance at a national conference on bioterrorism and mass casualties. JERRY's message: The public must be informed concerning, and must understand, these issues.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

August 4 – TOM WILLIAMS, assistant football coach at Stanford and a former Cardinal player, will tell us about the upcoming season.

August 11 – Rotary District Governor DON ALLEN will make the annual D.G. visitation. He's a great speaker (remember Polio Eradication last year)!

August 18 – BOB PARSONS will offer "A Life Saving Message." Watch this space for details!

OUR OWN CELEBRITIES

Maestro BILL read press cuttings about our own community activist ANNETTE ASHTON/GLANCKOPF, incoming CofC chair TONY CARRASCO and board member ISRAEL ZEHAVI, and conservationist BOB BROWN.

PRONOUNCEMENTS

NINA MOORE beat the drum for the upcoming gala GARDEN SOCIAL at Maestro BILL's place, 935 Ramona, Palo Alto, 4 to 6 p.m. this Sunday, August 3. Y'all come, hear? Surnames A to M should bring an appetizer and surnames N to Z a bottle of wine.

Treasurer DICK MANSFIELD says (1) please get your dues paid right away and (2) if you have any really old cheques on Rotary accounts you'd better cash them.

STEVE PLAYER encouraged us all to show up next Monday to get the straight scoop on Stanford Football 2003 from assistant coach TOM WILLIAMS.

TRISH BUBENIK joined the President's Club to invite us all to attend the Palo Alto Area Red Cross's wine-centered fundraisers at MacArthur Park on Friday, August 8, and Saturday, August 16. Go to www.paarc.org or call (650) 688-0438.

And LEANNAH HUNT bought half a President's Club membership to celebrate her son's recent wedding; her daughter's wedding is coming soon!

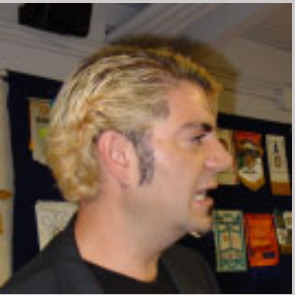
TODAY'S PROGRAM

TOM GRACON and MARC DICKOW were today's headliners for New Member Talks. Longtime member JOHN KIDD was also scheduled to perform but ol' debbil 1:30 p.m. got him and he'll be rescheduled.



TOM ("GRACON" as in "bacon") gave us food for thought: Divide a whole life into thirds, of which the first is allocated to learning, the second to family and career, and the third to giving back. Illustrating this message well, TOM told us of his upbringing in the Pittsburgh, PA, area, his schooling at Dayton (BSEE) and Carnegie-Mellon (MS and Ph.D. EE), his move

to California, his life in one home but various jobs with HELEN and their three children now grown, and his more recent exploration of opportunities to grow and serve in the community. His activities include teaching, mentoring, Leadership Midpeninsula, and West Bay Opera. He's glad he found Rotary and we're glad too, TOM!



MARC's grandparents immigrated years ago to the Detroit area. His work career began at age 11 in his mother's real estate offices. After college at Western Michigan University and work at public radio stations he became the first of his immediate family to move from Michigan when he and MARY came to California and went into the printing business. After working with CopyMat

MARC went on to entrepreneurial positions first with Zebra Copy and now with Jungle Copy in Palo Alto. MARC and MARY enjoy travel. Good Rotarian MARC has already been sucked into the club gears: This week he will be sitting down with Maestro BILL and the rest of our Digital Future Committee to plan upgrades to your weekly Pinion.

PALO ALTO ROTARY

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NEARBY ROTARY MEETING PLACES

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

East Palo Alto Bayshore: Boys & Girls Club, 2031 Pulgas (at O'Connor), 12:15 p.m.

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.

FRIDAY

Palo Alto University: Sheraton, El Camino, Palo Alto, 7:15 a.m.

San Carlos: Piacere, San Carlos, 12:15 p.m.



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