

ROTARY CLUB of ALTO ALTO, CALIF.

Rotary Pinion

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AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

After a Pledge led by BILLY ALHOUSE, BRIAN STEEN (with SKIP HOYT — who else? — at the piano) conducted a singing of “America the Beautiful.”

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Visiting Rotarians included Paul Clark (Los Gatos); Krishan Miglani (San Francisco, Restaurant Hospitality); Peter Guentermann (Buckhead, Atlanta, GA, Computer Software); Walt McCullough (San Mateo, Senior Active); Candace Roney (San Jose, Hospital Administration).



Guests of members: Susan Moeller, Redevelopment Manager, and Barbara Pierce, Council Member, both from



Redwood City (BRUCE LIEDSTRAND); Hedy McAdams (BOB SMITHWICK); Arti Miglani (BOB WHITEHAIR); Virginia Chang Kiraly, President of Friends, and Karen Miel, Director of Education at Junior Museum (RACHEL MEYER).

KUDOS TO MARTHA

Congratulations to new member MARTHA KANTER, recently installed as fifth Chancellor of Foothill-DeAnza Community College District!

WHAT'S COMING UP

- Dec 1st -- Nichole Taylor/Marshall Lott, RYLA and Col lege Track
- Dec 8th -- Joe Simitian-Assemblyman, Advocacy Tips
- Dec 15th -- New Members
- Dec 22nd -- CSMA Choral Group

OPENING REMARKS



In his opening remarks DAVE SMULLIN recounted an intimate and chilling account of his proximity to the death of a friend in Hawaii. The experience of seeing a person alive one moment and, in the next, returning to see him dead on the beach, cause unknown, was disturbing to say the least.

BUSSE'S BUSINESS

President BILL reported on a letter he received from Trooper Johnson, proud new father of triplets Hank, Sam, and Sophie. Members will remember Trooper from this club's backing of the "Wheelchair" basketball game a year or so ago. His personable appearance was a stimulant to this fine cause.....BILL introduced Chris Weems, Stanford basketball star who played for the Cardinal during the year (1998) that Mike Montgomery coached the team to the "Final Four." Chris said that the 2003-04 season looked good for Stanford as the team has 10 returnees in this, Montgomery's 18th season at the helm. Good luck on getting tickets!



NEW MEMBER

The most pleasant task of a club president occurred as President BILL inducted TERRY LACHENBRUCH into the club. BILL gave a short "course" on the founding and developing of Rotary by Paul Harris and Chicago friends. TERRY's background suggests that she will be a tremendous addition to the club.



FUTURE OF THE JUNIOR MUSEUM



RACHEL MEYER, club member and Director of the Junior Museum, gave a spirited account of the excellent opportunities that that institution gives our young people to understand and make the world more their own. As

LE LEVY might well have said of the Big Game, you had to be there to appreciate it. RACHEL started with a couple of hands-on demonstrations that kept the room whirling with activity. She referred to the 50 animals at the museum bred in captivity. Among the areas she touched upon were the Outreach program at two schools in East Palo Alto; the many activities that youngsters are helped to explore; the volunteer program; the summer camp (see BOB BROWN for his close association with it); the expansion plans which include construction of 5,000 sq. ft. of building. Persons not acquainted with the Junior Museum have a treat in store for them if they pay it a visit

NOW HEAR THIS!

This from DAVID NEGRIN: There are still some spots available for the Vocational Visit to the local chapter of the American Red Cross. Show up at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, December 2, for this "brown bag" affair. It should be interesting to hear how our local volunteers, including members of this club, responded to the emergencies that have occurred recently. Phone DAVID if you have not signed up yet.

PALO ALTO ROTARY

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NEARBY ROTRY MEETING PLACES

TUESDAY

Los Altos Sunset: The Echo Restaurant, Los Altos, 7:15pm.
Mountain View: Adobe House, Moffett & Central, 12:15pm.

WEDNESDAY

East Palo Alto Bayshore: Boys & Girls Club, 2031 Pulgas (at O'Connor), 12:15pm
Menlo Park: Menlo Park Recreation Center, MP, Noon
Woodside/Portola: Woodside Village Church, 7:30am.

THURSDAY

Los Altos: Garden House, Shoup Park, Los Altos, 12:15pm.
Palo Alto Sunrise: Scott's, Town & Country, PA, 7:15am.

FRIDAY

Palo Alto University: Sheraton, El Camino, PA, 7:30am.
San Carlos: Salvatore's Restaurant, San Carlos, 12:15pm.



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