

ROTARY CLUB of Rotary

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MEETING OF: January 5, 2004

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THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER

President Bill Busse called the gathering to order at 12:13 PM and introduced John Kidd to lead us in an inspirational song. Being well versed on many things, John provided a spirited history of the Star Spangle Banner connecting events of the War of 1812 and Francis Scott Key's moving lyrics. John's intro worked; we sang the Star Spangled Banner with renewed conviction.



Pres Bill then welcomed members of the Hyatt serving staff to the podium who thanked Rotary for Christmas contributions and reminding us of their long term service: 30 years and counting!

GUESTS

Liz Kniss welcomed the following guests:

Visiting Rotarians: Joan Rosselle Los Altos Rotary Dan O'Donnor, Los Altos Rotary; Ben Mc Gann, Los Altos Rotary



And Guests:

Laurie Liston introduced Peter Smays from Sun Microsystems
Ed Schleh introduced John Dolan



CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL



George Fitzgerald then provided Opening Remarks (the second Opening Remarks of the day) sharing wisdom from "Chicken Soup for the Soul" and "Chicken Soup for the Grandparents Soul".

STATE OF THE CLUB



President Bill declared the State of the Club as follows, "We're in Good shape!" With this proclamation, the election of Officers quietly took place with 76 members voting for the following slate, with two write-in candidates submitted. The following individuals will take office on July 1, 2004:

P a m Brandin, Mike Couch, Marcie Cox, Dick Freeman, Judy Kleinberg, Dick Mansfield, Dave Negrin, Steve Schaper, and Art Stauffer.

WHAT'S COMING UP

Jan 12 -- New Members Talks

Jan 19 -- Dark

Jan 25th -- Bob Hobson, Pooled Income Funds

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Steve Player thanked everyone for the thoughts and condolences received by Bill Miller's family. Bill's memorial service will be January 13 at 2PM at the Menlo Park Presbyterian Church

Sandra Niemann made a quick announcement that the Charitable Gifts Committee needs two more active members.

Walt Hays reminded folks of the Yucatan Project meeting on Tuesday at 7PM at Walt's house. Donations of computers, clothes, toys, maps and soccer gear are needed.

Crab Carnivale Chair, Le Levy, pointed out that the Carnivale has taken over February 22, previously occupied by George Washington's birthday. Le delegated announcements to committee members Carol Jensen who encouraged volume ticket purchases and Dave Negrin who deputized all club members to go out and get valuable auction items for the Carnivale.

Sy Greenstone thanked the 16 Rotarians who helped with the Homeless Feed on New Years Eve. The Prolific Oven provided desert for the event which, combined with other donations, allowed Sy to present a refund check to the club for \$226.

Announcement #86. Pres Bill announced that the official club photo will be taken at our next meeting, January 12. Upgrades in club attire were encouraged.

Mike Traugott, despite limited time, nonetheless put the finger on the following for President's Club donations: Liz Kniss, Gloria Hom, Lou Kavenau, Dave Negrin, Steve Player, Sy Greenstone and Carol Jensen chimed in with all sorts of good news. What a generous bunch!

Bob Whitehair received his Blue membership badge, proudly stating that it took four years of hard work to get there

CRABFEED AUCTION ITEMS

Please remember that all Rotary Club members are de-facto members of the Auction Committee membership. So as you acquire auction items or better still, contribute them yourself; please remember to refer them to the appropriate committee member so that they can be included in the database being compiled by club member Mark Heyer. Got that!

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ROTACARE HEALTH SERVICES



Hanna Tikkanen Merck quickly re-introduced the visiting Los Altos Rotarians for their presentations on Rotacare. Operating in Mountain View since 1996, Rotacare (originally founded by our own Diana Diamond) has provided free health care to over 11,000 people who otherwise have no access to health services. With over 100 volunteers, Rotacare relies on private contributions, particularly from Rotary Club donations in the Bay area.



Please donate by calling 408-842-3533 or visit the Rotacare website at www.rotacarebayarea.org

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