

ROTARY CLUB of Rotary

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MEETING OF: APRIL 19, 2004

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OPENERS

Past-President DON MAC KENZIE of the University Rotary Club led us in the Pledge followed by JOHN KIDD's robust rendition of "God Bless America".

VISITORS/GUESTS



WARREN THOITS introduced visiting Rotarians KEN JOHNSON, JIM BECKETT AND DON MAC KENZIE all from the University Rotary Club (sounds like an invasion).

Guests (Hosts) were SHERI SAGER (JUDY KLEINBERG), STEVEN YANG (DON LANGENDORF) and JOHN RUDOLPH (BOB SMITHWICK).



WARREN then gave us a vivid picture of the early days of our



Club when the town consisted of 6,000 residents, engaged in businesses like feed & fuel, hardware and laundry establishments where fancy restaurants and Starbuck's are now located.

PRESIDENTS CLUB



-LIZ KNISS and DARYL PEARSON both joined the President's Club in memory of STEVE PLAYER's mother, who passed away last week. Services will be held at the Church of Jesus

Christ of Latter Day Saints Church, 3665 Middlefield Road, at 12:00 noon, Tuesday, April 27th.



JUDY KLEINBERG also joined to celebrate the forthcoming marriage of her son to his Malaysian princess. Also, YUGIAN YAN joined because he thought it was a good idea.



FUTURE PROGRAMS

April 26th: ANGELA Mc CONNELL will describe the Valley's newest Center for Arts and Music Education.

May 3rd: Attorney JAY BOYARSKY will speak on the World Poker Tournament

May 10th: Dr. HARRY GREENBERG, the senior-Associate dean for medical research at Stanford will speak on Transit Immunology.

OPENING REMARKS



ELLEN HARRINGTON, Executive Director of the Museum of American Heritage gave tribute to the many volunteers who give their time and expertise to her organization. Their participation is absolutely essential, said ELLEN who also gave special thanks to organizations like Rotary that mean so much to the non-profits in our area and for the opportunity to participate in the Club's activities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-ART STAUFFER thanked the number of members who came last Saturday to set up for our Hand On/Sleeves Up day at C.A.R. this coming Saturday, April 24. Many hands are needed to do the kind of super job expected by LYNDIA STEELE, our host and slavemaster. Call ART to participate or just show up!

-SY GREENSTONE announced that our feed-the-homeless event last Wednesday was another huge success. Helping out this time were SKIP HOYT, CYRILLE BETANT, WES GARDINER, ED SHAFFER, NANCY LYTTLE, JAMES YOUNG, LAURIE and JOANNA LISTON, JANE BOOKER, PEGGY WILEY and YUGIAN YAN with his lovely new bride (what a way to learn to cook).

-ED SHAFFER introduced the new tennis champ who prevailed at the District Conference tournament last Thursday; he's GUSTAVO HOLLOWAY-DE-SOUZA. Attendance at next year's conference will increase, promised PREZ BILL, who thanked PAM B RANDIN, CYRILLE BETANT, JOHN BRACKEN, GEORGE FITZGERALD (plus PREZ BILL and wife BARBARA) for attending this year.

-BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE, we all sang Happy Birthday to the April celebrants who chose to remain anonymous.

GAMBLE GARDENS



PAM BRANDIN introduced KEN JOHNSON, Executive Director of Gamble Gardens who described the exciting plans underway for the enhancement of the gardens. It was the vision of FRED EYERLEY, former Mayor of Palo Alto, to implement the Kellogg Parkette Plan which would create a new and beautiful park environment, that would invite people to stroll, learn more

about native plant species and in general create a sense of welcome to Gamble Gardens. The Plan will be implemented with the participation of our Club (more to follow later on) in celebration of Rotary's centennial. When the project is completed, the corner of Embarcadero and Waverley will be a "must-stop, must-see" location.

SPECIAL AWARD



-A special award was issued by the University of Illinois to BOB SMITHWICK for exemplary community service and dedication. Good going, BOB . We're proud of you!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"The difficult we do immediately. The impossible takes a little longer." -Slogan of the US Army Air Force

PALO ALTO ROTARY

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NEARBY ROTARY MEETING PLACES

TUESDAY

LA Sunset: The Echo Restaurant, Los Altos, :15pm.
M V: Adobe House, Moffett & Central, 12:15pm.

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

LA: Garden House, Shoup Park, Los Altos, 2:15pm.

FRIDAY

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



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