



Palo Alto Rotary Club PINION



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WHAT A GREAT GAME MEETING!!!

FIRST QUARTER

PRESIDENT PAM “kicked off” the meeting by lamenting Stanford’s loss, but reminding all that our heroes won the first half 28 to 17. Go Cardinal!

SECOND QUARTER

PAST PREZ BILL LOVE (1964-65) made a spectacular one handed catch by adroitly introducing visiting Rotarians and Rotarians with guests. The latter were as follows:

PAUL LOSCH...Claude Ezran...MARTHA KANTER...Dr. Bernadine Chuck-Fong & Dr. Bill Patterson...TERRY LACHENBRUCH...Maggie Rotzin...TED LARSEN...Dennis McGinn. Welcome to all and please join us for the next game meeting!

THIRD QUARTER



Opening Kickoff of the Second Half was made with **NICK NICHOLS** reciting Nichols’ law...*“Anything can be done by a computer, but in twice the time.”* Nick was obviously “tongue in cheeking us” as he extolled the many virtues of the computer age. He concluded by asking the rhetorical question,

“What are you going to do with all the extra time you now have?” A great preamble to our program, Nick!



Coach **STEVE PLAYER** and his lovely assistant coach, **LEANNA HUNT** brought us up to Date!

With approval of the conference commissioners City Fathers the Gamble Garden Rotary Centennial Project is now officially on

our schedule. Our “Garden Team” includes **WAYNE THOMAS...NANCY PETERS...HERSH DAVIS...BRIAN STEEN...ELLEN HARRINGTON** and Co-Chair **LEANNAH HUNT**. What a Team! Keep tuned in for more pre-season info on this “Hands On” event.

THE NEXT GAMES

Oct. 4 Kathy Riggins Activate America: Pioneering Healthier Communities **President & CEO of YMCA of the Mid Peninsula, a \$16 million YMCA Association comprised of five branches: East Palo Alto, El Camino, Page Mill, Palo Alto Family and Sequoia YMCAs; and ten childcare sites and the Ventura Youth Activity Center.**

Oct. 11 New Member Talks

Oct. 18 Agapito Pereira, District 5170 Guest from Peru - Partners in Service Program **Agapito Pereira, Public Accountant, Merchant Accountant, and Mining Engineer, is a member of the Rotary Club of Independencia-Huaraz (Peru) since 1993, Director of International Service 2003/2004, and a Paul Harris Fellow.**

Oct. 25 Gloria Hom Summary of Ballot Propositions, What is on the Ballot besides Candidates - A candid analysis of the Propositions **Gloria Hom is a Rotarian, Economist Educator, mother of three daughters, and four (soon to be five) grandchildren. Our own Gloria Hom was the first woman to join Rotary in 1987 and the first woman President of our Palo Alto Club five years later**



Our Newest Rotary Recruit...**CALEB BOWMAN!**

Following an introduction by Past Prez, **WALT HAYS**, President **PAM** inducted Caleb who, as she pointed out, will lower the average age in the Club dramatically. Caleb graduated a few years ago from Stanford attending on a Football Scholarship.

Welcome aboard **CALEB!** (Don’t forget to put the Rotary tailgate party on your calendar. November 13th vs. Oregon. Go Stanford! Let **STEVE EMSLIE** know or sign up on the web!)

BREAKING SPORTS NEWS!

The Mid-Peninsula Bank under the auspices of **A.D. TERRY LACHENBRUCH**, will host the Stanford/Palo Alto **ROTARACT CHARTER NIGHT** Tuesday October 19th from 6 to 7:30 at the bank office 420 Cowper St. PA. Come and officially welcome **SILVIA CONSOLE BATTILANA** at this gala for an outstanding group of young Rotaractors. It will be a special event in their lives so come out and root long and loud!

GAME POSTPONED...ENOUGH ALREADY!

After four devastation hurricanes the state of Florida is in desperate need of our support as reported by DIANA DIAMOND. Send whatever you can to the American Red Cross. Designate it for "Hurricane Relief"...Attn. Trish Bubenik 420 Mitchell Ln...PA...94301

SUPER COACH SY is looking for more recruits to assist in feeding the homeless at the Presbyterian Church Wednesday October 6th from 3:30 to 6:30. All you need to do is contact SY and you make the team!



SCHOLARSHIP FUND RAISING PROGRAM

Past Prez BILL BUSSE joined the President's Club in two halves. \$50 for the first half of the Stanford/USC football game (*Way to go Big Red!*) and the second half to announce the Let's Talk America Program. This is a nationwide dialog to help in bridging the great 2004 political divide. Call Samatha at 328-7756 for reservations. Our own WALT HAYS will be one of the moderators. 222 High Street Monday October 18th from 7:30 pm to 9:30.



Past Prez BOB BULMORE was recognized for some important, but largely obscure, family involvement that was worth a century note.

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LARSEN also contributed 100 of the big ones to announce his return to civilization after a summer in Idaho. Welcome back, Theodore!



FOURTH QUARTER



Our Speaker, JIM FRUCHTERMAN inspired us with his presentation, motivation and message. (We used to call this a triple threat.) His company Benetech, which is short for Benefiting from Technology, has developed products that, in his words "are designed to change the world at the human level." The 15 year old company was deliberately set up to break even financially while helping the people who need help the most.

Examples of their products are reading machines for the blind, "humane" land mine detectors, on line primers for people with reading disabilities, hand held cell phone which read signs and tell the sight impaired where they are, and a human rights data base to assist those trying to bring violators to justice.

We were inspired by Jim's enthusiasm and sense of social responsibility. He is, in his words, a "technology optimist," implying that Benetech has just scratched the surface of what's possible. For more on Benetech see www.benetech.org.

Perhaps the best indication of the quality of his presentation was SAM WEBSTER's question, "Jim, would you consider running for President?" **DEFINITELY PUT THIS PRESENTATION IN THE WIN COLUMN!**

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