



Palo Alto Rotary Club Pinion



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VISITING ROTARIANS/GUESTS

Bill Busse looked for visiting Rotarians but couldn't find any. Guests included:

- Susan Sweeny – wife of guest speaker Jack Sweeny
- Suzanne Culley – Jack Riddle
- Tom Wagner – Sharon Wagner
- Mark Levi – Le Levy

CLASSIC QUOTES



Sy Greenstone humored us with some classic quotes about politics from famous people: "The most successful politician is the one who says what everybody is thinking, most often and in the loudest voice." Theodore Roosevelt "He knows nothing, and he thinks he knows everything.

That points clearly to a political career."

George Bernard Shaw

"We got the best politicians in this country that money can buy." Will Rogers

"A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul."

George Bernard Shaw

"Being president is like running a cemetery: You've got a lot of people under you and nobody's listening."

William Jefferson Clinton

COUNT THEM CRABS

Head Crab Trish Bubenik directed the assembled to the yellow sheet which is seeking out the bidders on Auction Items #106 – 5 Course Meal, #353 - History Book on the LPGA, #457 – Hyatt Coconut Resort, #470 – Hyatt Sarasota, #915 – Max's Gift Certificate, #1001 – 3 Candleholders and #1036 & #1039 – IndexRX Subscriptions. Please contact Dick Mansfield if you know any of the suspects so we can close the books.

PARTY TIME--SAVE THE DATE

Stay tuned for more information on a New Member Social on April 17th

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March 21: Martha Cantor, Public Education

Martha J. Kanter came to California in 1977, among other assignments she has served as the vice chancellor for policy and research of the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office in Sacramento. In 1993 she was selected to be president of De Anza College, where she served until becoming chancellor in 2003. Kanter holds a doctorate in organization and leadership from the University of San Francisco, a master's degree in education with a concentration in clinical psychology and public practice from Harvard University and a bachelor's degree in sociology from Brandeis University. She is active in a wide variety of national, state and local organization

March 28: New Members, New Member Presentations

April 4: Dr. Paul Wise Helps a Small Clinic in Guatemala

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS



Hersch Davis, Chesley Douglas and David Blitz were honored for contributions to the Rotary Foundation.

SPECIAL NOTES



GAMBLE GARDENS

Leanne Hunt invited all painters to come to Gamble Gardens this Saturday to help with the Anniversary Project. Contact Leanne for more details.

WASHINGTON, DC NOTICED

President Pam Brandin read a Proclamation authored by Congresswoman Anna Eshoo honoring the 100th Anniversary of Rotary.

ADATE WITH DRACULA

The Red Cross would love to share your blood with those in need on March 16th from 9am – 3pm at the Red Cross in Palo Alto. Contact Trish Bubenik for details.

ENERGY POLICY ISSUES



Mike Couch introduced fellow Rotarian, Stanford Economics Professor and Hoover Institute Fellow, James Sweeny. After taking a survey of the room concerning energy subjects, it became obvious that most of us were concerned about how much we will be paying for electricity in our homes and businesses and the cost of gasoline to run our cars. As an expert in energy economics,

James described the following fundamentals:

- 1- Petroleum remains our dominant energy source.
- 2- Carbon dioxide emissions from fossil fuels are continuing on an upward trend threatening our environment.
- 3- The largest carbon dioxide releases in the atmosphere are from oil in the transportation industry followed by the generation of electricity.
- 4- The majority of oil is purchased on contracts at a typically lower price than the media hyped spot market price.
- 5- California energy policy has positively affected consumer behavior and resulted in lower energy consumption in comparison to the United States overall.
- 6- California energy policy is focused on improving risk management, preserving and protecting the environment, improving the health of the economy and focusing on cutting edge technology. Approaches include encouraging market competition, providing incentives to investors and maintaining a level playing for producers of attractive technologies.
- 7- Public policy has resulted in more efficient fuel standards, improvement to consumption of energy in appliances and increased research and development.

PALO ALTO ROTARY

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NEARBY ROTARY MEETING PLACES

Note: There is occasionally a delay in being notified of changes in meeting places, so please check with the establishment involved before attending one of the meetings listed below. Also, this is only a partial list; a more complete list is maintained at our Web Site under Links/Information.

TUESDAY

Los Altos:, China Shuttle, 22382 Homestead Road, 19:15
Mountain View: Adobe House, Moffett & Central, MV, 12:15

WEDNESDAY

Menlo Park: Menlo Park Recreation Center, MP, 12:00
East Palo Alto Bayshore: Boys & Girls Club, Pulgas & O'Connor East Palo Alto, 12:15
Woodside/Portola: Woodside Village Church, Woodside, 07:30

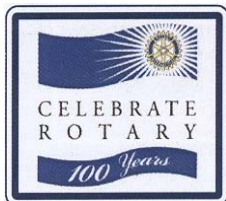
THURSDAY

Los Altos: Garden House, 400 University Avenue, LA, 12:15

FRIDAY

Palo Alto University: Sheraton Hotel, El Camino, PA, 07:15
San Carlos:: Piaceri's Restaurant, 727 Laurel St., SC, 12:15

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