



Palo Alto Rotary Club Pinion



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THE SECOND AT MING'S

Iris Korol called our luncheon meeting to order at Ming's restaurant on Embarcadero Rd.

WHO'S VISITING

Tom Gracon welcomed the following guests:
Visiting Rotarians:

- Albert Gallegos, San Mateo Boy Scouts
- Kurt Hueg, Los Altos Public Relations
- Ginnie Lear, Los Altos
- Bob Attgen EPA Bayshore, Lawyer
- Patrick O'Regan, Falmouth Mass. Lawyer

Rotarians with Guests:

- Ellie Mansfield/Dick Mansfield
- Sally Tomlinson/Dick Freeman
- Donna Hamilton/Mark Heyer
- Bruce Swenson/Betsy Bechtel
- Ed Locker/Rick Tipton
- Jerry Matranga/Mary Frances Callan
- Corkie Freeman/Dick Freeman

YOUR VOTE PATTERNS



Opening remarks were provided by Betsy Bechtel, showing us why "Your Vote Matters!" Betsy had found several historical votes decided by a single vote or a handful in some cases.

1645 One vote gave Oliver Cromwell control of England

1776 One vote approved English instead of German as language of the new USA

1983 15 votes approved the incorporation of East Palo

MYSTERY BOX AUCTION



Steve Player auctioned off a "mystery blue box" to the trusting David Negrin for \$140. Turned out to be a big crystal vase and a good value for David's contribution

COMING UP!

August 22, New Member Talks: Caleb Brown, Sherri Sager, and Natasha French.

August 29, 2005 John Markham, "What the Dormouse Said: How the Sixties Counterculture Shaped the Personal Computer Industry."

The title of Mr. Markham's talk is also the title of his most recent book.

John Markham joined The New York Times in March 1988 as a reporter for the business section. Prior to joining the Times, he worked for The San Francisco Examiner from 1985 to 1988. He writes about computers and technology issues and is based in San Francisco as a senior writer.

JOINING THE PRESIDENTS CLUB



With obvious pleasure, Hal Mickelson agreed to carry on in the spirit of Mike Traugott. Hal called on recent international travelers Axel Merk and Leannah Hunt to share their ad-



ventures and make appropriate contributions. Both generously joined the President's Club. Hal thanked them and implied today's fines were a gentle beginning to his regime.



Liz Kniss shared the news of her new granddaughter, Mary Elizabeth, and joined the Presidents Club in her recognition

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dan Quinn announced the upcoming Homeless feed on Wednesday, 8/17 at First Presbyterian Church

Sam Webster announced John Childress gift of \$500 to the Rotary Endowment including John's pledge to do the same annually.

FORGIVENESS FOR GOOD

Daryl Savage introduced **Dr. Fred Luskin** for today's Program on "Forgiveness for Good"



Dr. Luskin holds a Ph.D. in Counseling and Health Psychology from Stanford University. He is the Co-Director of the Stanford-Northern Ireland HOPE For more, see <http://www.learningtoforgive.com/about.htm>

Dr. Luskin provided numerous stories and quotes to encourage us to practice sincere forgiveness and not to respond aggressively to personal attacks.

Questions:

John Kidd: "Would you lose track of your goals if you are forgiving?" Dr. Luskin responded with the quote, "You catch more bees with honey." to make the point that everyone gains with sincere forgiveness.

Sy Greenstone: "I get as much satisfaction from volunteering as forgiving." Everyone agreed whole heartedly.

TAKE NOTE

The next Rotary Board meeting is coming up on 8/17 7:30 AM at the Cardinal Hotel.

PALO ALTO ROTARY

PRESIDENT: Iris Korol. PRESIDENT-ELECT: Art Stauffer. PAST-PRESIDENT: Pam Brandin. DIRECTORS: Mike Couch, Marcie Cox, Judy Kleinberg, David Negrin, Hersh Davis, Cyrille Betant. TREASURER: Dick Mansfield. SECRETARIES: Dick Freeman, Julie Jerome, Bob McCowan. CLUB RECORDS: Joyce Cusick, parotaryrecords@aol.com. WEB SITE: www.rotarypaloalto.org/.

OTHER ROTARY MEETING PLACES

TUESDAY

Los Altos: China Shuttle, 22382 Homestead Road, 19:15

Mountain View: Adobe House, Moffett & Central Mountain View, 12:15

WEDNESDAY

Menlo Park: Menlo Park Recreation Center, Menlo Park, East Palo Alto Senior Center, 560 Bell Street, East Palo Alto, 12:15

Woodside/Portola: Woodside Village Church, Woodside, 07:30

THURSDAY

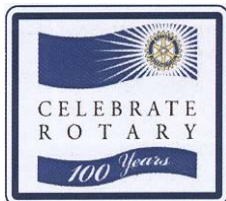
Los Altos: Garden House, 400 University Avenue, Los Altos 12:15

FRIDAY

Palo Alto University: Sheraton Hotel, El Camino, Palo Alto, 07:15

San Carlos: Piaceri's Restaurant, 727 Laurel St. (downtown San Carlos, in the second block South of San Carlos Ave., one block west of El Camino Real. 12:15

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