



Palo Alto Rotary Club Pinion



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A WONDERFUL TALE



We opened Easter week with DICK MANSFIELD's wonderful tale from Camp Manzanar, California in the 1940's.

INTREPID INTRODUCTION

Dick was followed by BILL LOVE's intrepid introduction of visiting Rotarians, Steve Ross from Palo Alto University plus Dan Orloff and Dave Hagerty from San Jose, our region's largest club with over 400 members!

Guests there were in abundance: Jack Woodson and Kevin Curry, guests of STEVE PLAYER; Don Douglas, spouse of NINA MOORE; RACHEL MEYER's guest, Patty Fisher; VICKY CHING's, Kathryn Ross; and MY guest, Pancho Chang.

ANNOUNCING

President IRIS reported on AL KENRICK's memorial service, commending the heartfelt remarks made by SAM WEBSTER. She also noted that JOHN BRACKEN is now in a hospice.

DAN QUINN announced the next homeless feed will be on the 19th.

DUANE THOMAS was recognized for arranging with the Stanford Park Hotel to host a Canadian couple whose child is here for treatment at Stanford Hospital.

DICK FREEMAN reminded us of the visit to our Big Basin Memorial Grove on April 22nd. We leave from Ming's at 9:30 AM. If you can drive one or two others, contact DICK. This year we particularly honor DICK ABBOTT, BOB BROWN, ED CLEMENTS, JOE JEDD, AL KENRICK, BILL MILLER and MIKE TRAUGOTT. Members of the deceased's families will accompany us.

KEN WEIGEL announced that this year's GSE group from Japan will be here next Monday. Interpreters sought!

And finally, don't forget our "HandsOn-Sleeves-Up" day, April 29th. Contact HERSH DAVIS if you haven't yet signed up.

HONOREES

Paul Harris honorees even outnumbered visiting Rotarians and guests! Inductees were ADAM ATITO, CYRILLE BETANT, CARL KING, JUDY KLEINBERG, DAN QUINN, SHERRI SAGER and KAREN SINGER.



Achieving new levels of Paul-Harrisdom were RALPH ADAMS(NOT SHOWN), LYLE CONNELL, MIKE COUCH, GEORGE FITZGERALD, JULIE JEROME, DUANE KALAR, DON LANGENDORF, DICK MANSFIELD, DAVE SMULLIN, WAYNE THOMAS and GEORGE WHEATON.



JOINERS



GLORIA HOM joined the President's Club upon returning from several weeks in Southeast Asia.

LEANNAH HUNT, announcing the birth of her first grandchild, also joined



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THE ORIGIN AND HISTORY OF ISLAM

GEORGE FITZGERALD introduced Sean Hanretta, Stanford Assistant Professor of History who specializes in the intellectual and cultural history of West Africa. One of Sean's particular interests is the history of Islam in Africa. Most Muslims are Sunnis. Shiites are a majority only in Iraq and Iran. And, in fact, the Middle East is not a very large part of the Muslim world.



Though many people associate Islam with the Middle East, only 15% of the Islam is Middle Eastern. None of the five largest Muslim countries, Indonesia, Pakistan, India, Bangladesh and Turkey, is Arab.

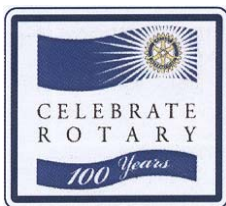
This year has seen a particularly good array of speakers, Prof, Hanretta continued in

FUTURE PROGRAMS

April 17, 2006 Don Nielson, PhD, whose talk is entitled "SRI: Its History and Contributions." Dr. Nielson will give a short introduction about SRI and its history, and he will then convey just some of the essence of SRI and its contributions through a description of 5-6 of its important projects.

April 24, 2006: Kevin Useldinger, President of the Fitness Motivation Institute of California, whose talk is entitled "Achieving Peak Performance." The central theme of Mr. Useldinger's program is health, wellness and fitness

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