



# Palo Alto Rotary Club Pinion



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Official greeters were DAVID of Ming's and PAST-PRESIDENT PAM. An enthusiastic assemblage was present

PREZ IRIS called on new member YORIKO KISHIMOTO to lead us all in the Pledge, which was followed by a special rendition of "Let There Be Peace On Earth" offered by SKIP HOYT in collaboration with WALT HAYS.

## OPENING REMARKS



Opening remarks were delivered by KEN WEIGEL who reminded us of the benefits of simple acts of kindness that can be felt by both the giver and the receiver. A very moving story of a small boy named SHIA and his father, exemplified the principal that we all try (and many succeed) to practice as Rotarians.

## VISITORS AND GUESTS

Visitors and guests (hosts) were introduced by TED LARSEN. Our visiting Rotarians (clubs) were GINNY LEAR, KING LEAR and ROY LOVE (all of Los Altos), HARRY SPRING (Sunnyvale) and RON SEKKEL (Scott's Valley). Guests (Hosts) were KORA VAKIL and ELLIE MANSFIELD (DICK MANSFIELD), ANN ZIMAN (GEOFF ZIMAN), and LARISSA KEEL and KAY HAYS (WALT HAYS)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

NINA MOORE reminded us of our last Rotary-year social, to be held on Friday, June 23 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at the Palo Alto Arts Center. Our hostess will be PREZ IRIS. No need to bring anything except a partner/spouse.

BOB McCOWAN invited us all to visit our improved Website which contains member photos, bios and other stuff. It's at <[www.rotarypaloalto.org](http://www.rotarypaloalto.org)>. Give BOB some feedback, corrections, etc.

PREZ IRIS acknowledged the contributions of time and effort during her year in office of the many club members including the Board, the meeting setup folks, the cashiers, mike handlers, the program committee, etc., etc., too numerous to mention, who helped make this a most successful and distinctive Rotary year.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**19 June:** The speaker will be Daniel Sneider, whose talk will be entitled, "Immigration Policy in a Globalized World".

**26 June:** No Lunch Meeting; Evening gathering at the Palo Alto Women's Club at 6:00 pm for "Debunking Iris."

**-July 3 - DARK**

PAST-PRESIDENT PAM announced plans for PREZ IRIS's debunking event, which will take place at the Palo Alto Women's Club on Monday, June 26 (more about it in PAM's E-mail message). There will be no regular meeting that day as we "prepare."

VIC ROSASCO asked club members to submit their pledges to the Endowment Fund, if they haven't done so already. It's a great cause, so join the crowd.

KAREN BROSI, Finemistress extracted "voluntary" contributions from BERN BEECHAM, TONY CARRASCO and from the members of the G(ood) O(ld) B(oy)s table.

## PRESIDENT'S CLUB

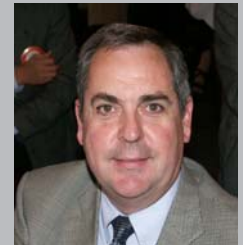


Several members joined the President's Club: MARK HEYER (grandson's MBA),

JOHN RICHERS (promotion and unfortunately, a move out of the area) and



CHALMERS SMITH



## TODAY'S PROGRAM



Today's program was kicked off by WALT HAYS. He and GEOFF ZIMAN

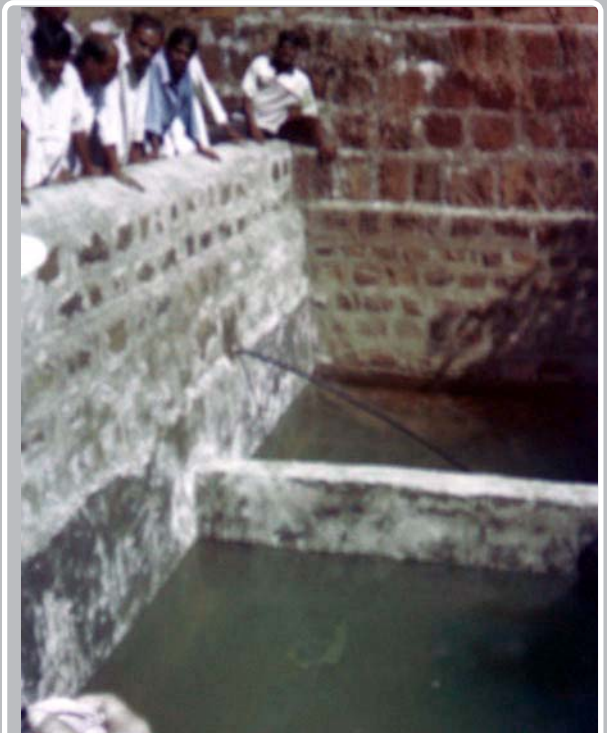


described the water harvesting project they and other club members participated in, cooperating with members of the Los Altos Club and the Bombay Metropolitan Club in India.

Their task was to provide a means of storing and distributing monsoon rainfall which ordinarily would run off and leave the area dry, often in drought condition, after several months. This necessitated the stressful manual transporting of water for significant distances, mostly by women, thereby causing extreme physical stress. Rotary supplied the cost of the materials for the project; the physical labor was provided by the local population and resulted in a more reliable source of water for eight villages in the Bombay area. A significant contribution to the project, was made by TONY CARRASCO

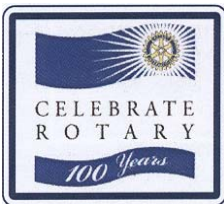
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