



Palo Alto Rotary Club Pinion



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OPENING

JOY CUSICK led us in the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag

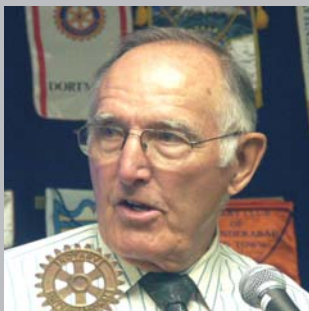
INTRODUCING...

DAN QUINN introduced visiting Rotarians and guests. Visiting Rotarians were: Susan Albert, Cupertino; Candice Roney, San Jose; Charlie Wasser, Santa Clara; Karyn Sinunu, San Jose.

Guests of Members were: Bess Greenstone (SY GREENSTONE); Richard Delaney, Virginia Chang Kiraly (BERN BEECHAM); Larry Klein. Thomas Horan introduced himself.

PRESIDENT STAUFFER quipped "maybe it's the chicken salad that draws the crowd"

SERVICE ABOVE SELF



BILL BUSSE thought that he was to give opening remarks next week but gave us an inspirational moment without hesitation. He was concerned about what's happening in the world today. When he thought about it, he realized that all of the religions involved in the conflicts have the same precepts "Do unto others as you

would have them do unto you". BILL thinks it sad that these religions have not been able to abide by their precepts. We in Rotary have a precept which is "Service above self". We should work harder to bring in new members, to advance the precept and make the world a better place through service.

ANNOUNCING



MIKE McMAHON had a few words about the annual dues. Approximately 60 checks have been received which is only part of the club. The price goes up in two weeks so members are encouraged to send in their checks.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

August 7: New Member Talks: Charles Cheng, Roger Smith, and Jack Woodson

August 14: Prof. Jack Rakove "President and Commander? Constitutional Myth, Political Reality." A discussion of the Bush administration and its impact on presidential powers.



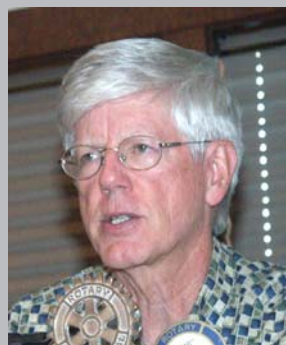
DAN QUINN let us know that this coming Wednesday, August 2nd, is the day that you have the opportunity to participate in "Feeding the Homeless". The time is 3:30 PM to 6:30 PM.

This event can be a very fulfilling experience. The deserts are usually pretty good. Volunteers are needed. Please signup!



HAL MICKELSON decided to return to the honorable tradition of "ratting out" on members who had something worth a fine. Liz Kniss told on STEVE PLAYER for raising money for something other than Rotary. He was reported to be a real hustler. Also, fines were levied on members of several tables for taking vacation trips: YORIKO KISHIMOTO, MIKE McMAHON,

DAVE SMULLIN, RUTH SCHNEIDER, AUDREY JACOB, BILL BUSSE AND ANGELIKA BLENDSTRUP.



BOB McCOWAN remained us that Dan Quinn is taking photos of members for the web site. If there is time, please stops by in the next room and your picture will be taken

STATE OF THE CITY

Today's speaker was introduced by BETSY BECHTEL. Our own JUDY KLEINBERG, who is currently serving as mayor of Palo Alto, summarized the status of the city as well as describing some of the issues that the city faces. The City Council is described as much more collaborative as a group and being more collaborative with other entities such as



Stanford. The objective for the council is an action agenda. The toughest part of the agenda is believed to be the financial challenges. While a revenue surplus is forecast for this year, careful planning and discipline and cost reduction will be required for a sound financial future.



Reserves are dwindling and need funding. Infrastructure needs attention. The tax base needs to be maintained and expanded. Spiraling medical benefits for retirees results in uncertainty. JUDY cited examples of collaborative action much of it with Stanford. In process is a Soccer field on El Camino, Stanford housing, Intermodal Transit Center near downtown, Arastradero Preserve, Heritage Park, low cost housing, "Palo Alto Green", climate protection and emergency preparedness.

JUDY believes that Palo Alto culture is based on innovation and the willingness to take risk. Be progressive and avoid the status quo

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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, 12:15

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

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

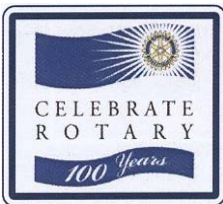
THURSDAY

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



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