



Palo Alto Rotary Club Pinion



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THE PLEDGE AND SONG

PREZ ART asked DICK MANSFIELD to lead us in the pledge, which was followed by a thoughtful rendition of "April Showers-1921" with SKIP HOYT's accompaniment, thus marking the 85th year of our club's formation.

OPENING REMARKS



Opening remarks were offered by GEOFF ZIMAN who very significantly drew the connection between the beginning of the observance of Passover starting this evening, and the freedom from slavery of the Jews. He reminded us of the need to continuously seek ways of extinguishing it wherever it prevails, in effect in our own society, and throughout

the world. Thanks GEOFF for a powerful and meaningful message.

VISITORS AND GUESTS

Guests (hosts) were introduced by BRUCE SWENSON Our guests were LARRY BAILEY (CHUCK DAVIS), WIFE (TOM GRACON), DENNIS BOYLE (YORIKO KISHIMOTO). AND BESS (WIFE OF SY GREENSTONE). A warm welcome was extended to all.

WHAT'S GOING ON

IRIS KOROL announced the near-final results of last week's highly successful fundraiser. We exceeded our goal of \$50,000!! The figure looks more like \$62,000!! Co-chair RACHEL MEYERS was not there to receive the applause. Too bad, RACHEL.

HERSH DAVIS needs additional volunteers for the Saturday, April 28 hands-on project at the Montessori School in EPA. Be sure to call HERSH if you can make it.

Help celebrate our 85th B'day by attending the special Wine Tasting event on Sunday, April 28 from 2:00 to 5:00. Prove that you can stay sober. Thanks go to DUANE and ANN KALAR (hosts), STEVE PLAYER (wine tasting) and ART STAUFFER (music). BILL BUSSE made the event sound even more interesting with his reminders of the special dates that mark our club's amazing history. More on this history during the last meeting of the month, on April 30.

APRIL PROGRAMS

April 9 - Jean McCown, Hospital Renewal and Expansion Project

April 16 - Luis Fraga -Demographic Change and the Future of America

April 23 — Dorothy Drummond - Holy Land, Whose Land? Modern Dilemma, Ancient Roots

DENNIS MCGINN asked for volunteers for this week's Feed-the-Homeless event. Hope it's not too late for you to just show up.

PREZ ART recognized MIKE COUCH for his special contribution to the Rotary Foundation.

Don't forget the District Conference scheduled for the weekend of April 21, 22.

PRESIDENT'S CLUB



Voluntary enlistments to the President's Club included WALT HAYS (50th wedding anniversary),



CARL KING (on the cost benefits of generic drugs),



RALPH ADAMS (in recognition of the special month of April) and

LISA AKSELRAD (in memory of RABBI SID).



SOME PALO ALTO HISTORY



TOM GRACON introduced today's speaker, STEVE SAIGER who gave a pictorial history of Palo Alto beginning with its origins in the 1870-1880's until more recent times.

STEVE is the Historian with the Palo Alto Historic Society, a native Californian born in San Francisco. He traced the development of our city including the very significant founding of Stanford University in 1891. At that time Palo Alto was just a college town but has grown immeasurably in significance since then, reports STEVE.

Many of the original residences with their quaint architecture are still standing today. PREZ ART paid STEVE the ultimate compliment by allowing him to continue his presentation beyond our normal quitting time.



El Palo Alto

PALO ALTO ROTARY

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PROGRAM NOTES

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

Sunnyvale, Ramada Inn, 1217 Wildwood Avenue, Sunnyvale, 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

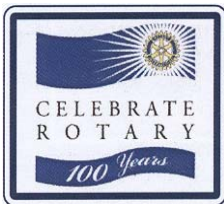
Los Altos: Garden House, 400 University Avenue, Los Altos 12:15

FRIDAY

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

San Carlos: Piaceri's Restaurant, 727 Laurel Street, San Carlos 12:15

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