



# Palo Alto Rotary Club Pinion



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## 1000 MEETINGS AND COUNTING



Our numera una señora, GLORIA HOM, related her Rotary experience under the tutelage of one time De Anza Chancellor Tom Fryer and fellow Rotarian Col. Doug Harper, circa 1987. In addition, lots of advice for the female neophyte came from “uncle” Jack Power. According to Past President GLORIA, STEVE PLAYER’S favorite father-in-law, Bill Miller, was

concerned that women might someday take over the Club. Her advice, “Get over it!” It was obvious that Gloria has had...and continues to have... an ongoing love affair with Rotary. Great Opening Remarks, Gloria.

## MONDAY WAS A RECOGNITION DAY

FIRST...How about all of the new Blue Badgers! A regular altar call...or perhaps it was Presidential Amnesty.

CARL KING, DAN QUINN, NATASHA FRENCH, MONICA DEVINCENZI, CASH ALAEE, SALLY TOMLINSON, MIKE McMAHON, DANA TOM, GEORGE NEWTON, CALEB BOWMAN.

## SECOND...TWO NEW MEMBERS

Following introductions by their sponsors, RACHEL MEYER and HERSH DAVIS, LARRY BAILEY and JOAN PLASTIRAS

were warmly inducted by President ART. Welcome, Larry & Joan!



## THIRD...ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Hours and planners were honored. To wit: DUANE KALAR & wife, ANN, our affable host & hostess STEVE PLAYER & MIKE COUCH, our wine tasting impresarios ART & PEGGY STAUFFER, our music arrangers, CARL KING & CASH ALAEE, our humble bar keeps and WALT HAYS, DICK & CORKY FREEMAN, ROB LANCEFIELD, GLORIA HOM, DICK MANSFIELD, DAVID BLITZ and KAREN SINGER handlers of the myriad of set up and set down details.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**April 30 - A Capsule View into the History of the Palo Alto Rotary Club. A panel of our longest term members will discuss the highlights and evolution of our Club.**

**May 7 - Kathleen Sullivan - “Beef, It’s What’s for Lunch - Advertising and the First Amendment”.**

**May 14 - Dr. Robert Negrin - Potential of Cellular Therapies and Brief Status of Proposition 71**

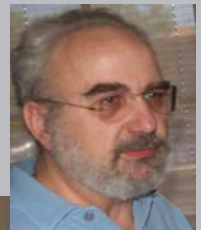
## SPECIAL HONORS

were our acclaimed Chairlady NINA MOORE, and JOYCE CUSICK, our do it all, all around expert! THANKS a bunch for a great party!

## OUR OWN LOU KAVANAU

“gracefully” handled the introduction of visiting Rotarians and guests.

From UK via Italy was Pietro Anati, who exchanged banners with Prez ART.



And from India R.M. Kumbhat, accompanied by daughter, Pe a g y a .

And Hunter Cook, a UCLA fraternity brother of GEORGE FITZGERALD here from someplace down south. Not to mention DICK FREEMAN’S perennial guest, Dick Placone. Welcome one and all!

## BREAKING NEWS...OUR TENNIS TEAM WAS COMPETITIVE

BOB BULMORE, BILL BUSSE, CHET DOUGLAS and GUSTAVO HOLLOWAY showed up at the District Tennis Tourney in Sunnyvale on April 18th and came away happy, but empty handed. Next year, guys!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Hands On Time!** Don't forget to join in this Saturday morning as we paint and repair the East Palo Alto Montessori School. We start at 8 am on April 28th. Call our "hands-on hero" HERSH to let him know you will participate...and for directions. This is what we do folks...be there!

**Homeless feeding time** comes up Wednesday, May 9th. TED LARSEN is looking for a few good men and women to prepare and serve another tasty meal to those less fortunate. Call Ted today!

**Kudos to SHIRLEY NEGRIN** for beating out 900 others as "Volunteer of the Year" at the Stanford Hospitals! Proud hubby DAVID rose to make the announcement "fine free." Along with SAM W., David has generously prepaid his President's Club dues for 10 years! Way to go guys!

## PALO ALTO ROTARY

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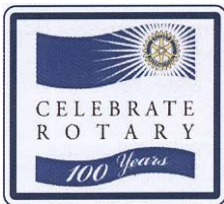
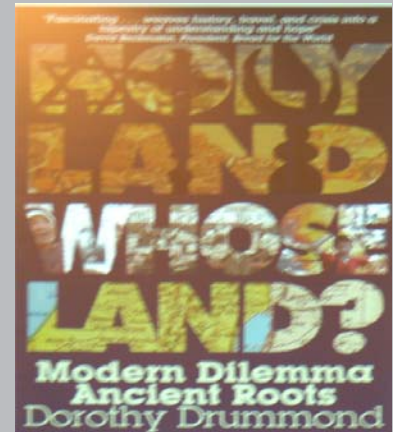
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## TODAY'S PROGRAM



We were graced by the presence of author Dorothy Drummond who was ably introduced by Shirley's husband, DAVID NEGRIN .

Dorothy presented a historical perspective on the Holy Land from 1948 until the present. She also touched on ancient Jerusalem, the 2,000 year old religious touch stone of Christianity, Judaism and Islam. Dorothy spoke at some length about the continuous struggle for land and power in the Middle East, highlighted of late by such "leaders" as Yassir Arafat, Mahmoud Abbas, Sheik Ahmed Yassin, and Ariel Sharon. Hers was a very timely and informative presentation, which still appropriately begs the question, "Holy Land Whose Land?" Thanks Dorothy and David!



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