



Palo Alto Rotary Club Pinion



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On this, the penultimate meeting of PRESIDENT ART's reign, SAM WEBSTER got things off to a synchronous start leading the pledge of allegiance.

VISITORS AND GUESTS

Guests came in record numbers little realizing that had they waited only three-weeks they could have witnessed the coming of ROB LANCEFIELD.

JULIE JEROME, aplombly suave, introduced Etta Myers, wife of our speaker. She then called on DARYL SAVAGE whose guest was Tracy Mercer, Manager of The Four Seasons; DANA TOM with guest John Herr, formerly at eBay; VICKY CHING with guest Carolyn Cadice and husband-guest, scholar Wu-Chung Hsiang; BOB McCOWAN whose guest was little brother Phil; and BETSY BECHTEL with husband, George.

OPENING REMARKS



37-year old-timer, WARREN HIGGINS, recalled another old-timer, ALBERT WILSON, born in San Francisco in 1902. Albert survived the '06 earthquake by being thrown out the window. His parents were killed in the earthquake; and Albert was raised in an orphanage.

A brilliant student, Albert received his Bachelor's and Master's from Stanford in botany and became the dean of local landscape architects. His annual presentations to our club, as well as his TV program and books, were always delivered with joyful exuberance. A great Rotarian!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TED LARSEN announced that this Wednesday, at 3:15, all were invited to help feed the homeless.

MIKE McMAHON announced that Tuesday (not Monday, but Tuesday) June 26th is President ART's debunking at the Palo Alto Women's Club. Price of \$50 includes valet parking.

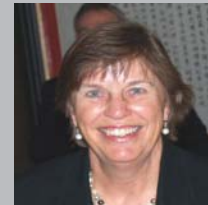
DICK FREEMAN thanked all who helped with Sunday's visit to our Club's Memorial Grove. We honored Rotarians who passed away during the past two years. DICK particularly mentioned GEORGE FITZGERALD, DICK (and Ellie) MANSFIELD, and BRIAN STEEN.

President ART thanked STEVE HEITEL for his role in organizing the Rotaract Mixer

THIRTY-NINE DOLLARS & NINETY-FIVE CENTS



Fine Master HAL MICKELSON, offering a spe-



cial rate for today's President's Club enrollees, got a plethora of takers. BETSY BECHTEL and DAVE SMULLIN joined for their trip to China planned by GLORIA HOM (who also joined). ..LEN ELY joined, reveling in his son's new-



found pedal-focused digital dexterity. RICK TIPTON joined, father of both a high school and a college graduate. LIZ KNISS honored JUDY DEGGELLER.



ISRAEL ZEHAVI JOINED in Celebration of Life, and for his seven grandchildren. Sharon Wagner joined for her 38th anniversary. YORIKO KISHIMOTO announced Palo Alto's "Walk and Roll" Day,



JOAN PLASTIRAS said implausible things about her boss, HERSH DAVIS, KLAUS HEINEMANN walked some of the crofts of England,



TODD LEWIS was named manager of Palo Alto's Little League All-Star Team, and, improbably, GEORGE FITZGERALD asserted that President ART actually paid for one



of his meals while they were traveling together.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

VICKY CHING, restaurateur extraordinaire, introduced Dr. Ramon Myers, Senior Fellow Emeritus at the Stanford Research Institute and expert on Chinese affairs. Dr. Myers spoke on the complex, but important, relationship between China and Taiwan. The United States made the independence of Taiwan possibly by interposing its navy between it and the mainland Chinese during the Korean war. Since then, we have gone



back and forth between an official position that Taiwan is part of China, and that it is an independent entity. While the mainland is eager to integrate the island into the larger nation, a majority of islanders want to maintain the status q

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

June 18 - Three New Member Talks (Sven Strohband, Scott Glissmeyer, Larry Bailey)

June 26 - Debunking of the President - Tuesday Evening (no meeting Monday)

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BLUE BADGERS

NATASHA FRENCH and CARL KING received blue



badges. NATASHA set a new record for speed. CARL did not.

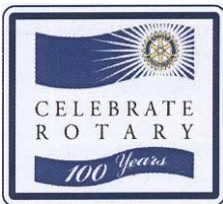


NEW MEMBER



JUDY DEGGELLER was welcomed by President ART and sponsor WALT HAYS. Founder of the "Bring me a Book" Foundation, JUDY is also known for her morning runs with BETSY BECHTEL and LIZ KNISS.

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