



Palo Alto Rotary Pinion



Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

April 21 – Women in Rotary – Betsy Bechtel, Diana Diamond, Gloria Hom, Liz Kniss, and Bob Smithwick

April 28 – The Honorable Larry Klein – Change Palo Alto Style

President ROB LANCEFIELD called the meeting to order at 12:15

VISITORS AND GUESTS

ADRIAN MIKOLAJCZAK introduced our visiting Rotarians and guests.

Visiting Rotarians included: Deepak Kumar and Nick Hansen from India, Walt McCullough from San Mateo, and Tom Hansen from San Jose.

Guests of Rotarians included: Brian Dahlquist guest of HERSH DAVIS, Patricia Burbank and Michale Kilgroe guests of WALT HAYS, Judy Minor and Becky Bartindale guests of MARTHA KANTER, Kathy Adams guest of RALPH ADAMS, and Kam McCowan guest of BOB McCOWAN.

OPENING REMARKS

were provided by ART STAUFFER, who shared facts and insights about California's community college system: Over 700,000 students are currently enrolled statewide; CCC's are more affordable than UC and private schools; California's 2025 estimated population to be over 47 million. Colleges will have to absorb over 600,000 additional students by 2015.

ROB acknowledged and thanked DENNIS SHEEHAN as our cashier, BRIAN STEEN for EPinion reporter, and ART STAUFFER as our friendly greeter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brian Dahlquist and HERSH DAVIS announced the April 26 Hands On Project, a collaboration with Palo Alto Kiwanis, and asked for enthusiastic volunteers.

ROB asked for new volunteers to help feed the homeless on April 23 and encouraged us to sign up.

ROB presented Rotary Foundation Paul Harris pin awards to the following GENEROUS donors:

MARTHA KANTER, VIC ROSASCO, GLORIA HOM, CHALMERS SMITH, DUANE KALAR, LEANNAH HUNT, RUTH SCHNEIDER, HERSH DAVIS, TRISH BUBENIK, JOYCE CUSICK, NICK NICHOLS, PAM BRANDON, VICKY CHING, KEVIN CURRY, ANNETTE GLANCKOPF, HAL MICKELSON, ART STAUFFER, JOHN KIDD, ROB LANCEFIELD, and JIM POOLEY. What a group!

PROGRAM:

IRIS KOROL gave a warm introduction to PA Rotary member MARTHA KANTER, who presented an energetic summary of the programs, challenges, and plans for Foothill DeAnza Colleges.

MARTHA KANTER is Chancellor of the Foothill-De Anza Community College District, one of the most prominent community college districts in the nation, serving more than 44,000 students with a total budget of more than \$275 million. From New York, she came to California in 1977 after serving as an alternative high school teacher in Tarrytown and at The Searing School in New York City. In California, she established the first program for students with learning disabilities at San Jose City College. She then served as Director, Dean, and subsequently as Vice Chancellor for Policy and Research for the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office in Sacramento. She returned to San Jose City College as Vice President of Instruction and Student Services. In 1993 she was named President of De Anza College, where she served until becoming Chancellor in 2003.

For more on the programs of Foothill DeAnza community colleges, see <http://www.fhda.edu/>

ROB thanked MARTHA for an excellent presentation and encouraged questions after adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM.

OTHER ROTARY MEETING PLACES.

<http://www.rotarypaloalto.org/MeetingInfo.cfm>

