

Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

January 5 – John Ralston – Life and Football

January 12 – Larry Diamond – Democratic Institutions

January 19 – Dark (No Meeting) Observing Martin Luther King, Juniors Birthday

THE CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY/CLUB MEETING WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

How about DIANA DIAMOND's confession of her lack of singing prowess starting with a solo at age four, and culminating with the inability to hit a note of "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" at her sorority soirée? Certainly appropriate OPENING REMARKS for the ensuing program.

AMONG THE GUESTS introduced by DICK FREEMAN were: Riccardo Forleo...PIETER KARK Past Member Dave Thornton...SCOTT GLISSMEYER City Manager Jim Keane...IRIS KOROL

INTRODUCING THEIR SPECIAL SPOUSLY GUESTS WERE:

Billy Alhouse... Barbara, David Negrin... Shirley John O'Keefe...Pat. Bob Bulmore...Beverly

KEVIN CURRY & COMPANY ARE PLANNING AN ENCHANTING AND ENTERTAINING EVENING FOR MARCH 21st. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Our ANNUAL FUND RAISER, in addition to raising more auction funds than ever, will include great entertainment such as:

Murphy's Irish Dancers, composed of children and leprechauns (up to age 14), will entertain us with dancing delight.

Jazz ConnecXion, a 4-piece jazz combo, will entertain

during dinner and swing for dancing after the auction.

Fleet Street Singers, twelve A Cappella singers from Stanford, will bring humor and harmony to kick off the live auction. **STAY TUNED** as this event builds to a fund raising and entertaining crescendo!

THE HOLIDAY SING-ALONG WAS A ROUSING SUCCESS!

Juliette McDonald and her two daughters, Yvette and Alainah, were fabulous song leaders. And then there was President Mike's brother-in-law, R.T. Carr, who I must say is the most authentic Santa your scribe has seen since he was 5 years old. (The white beard and bowl full of jelly were real, folks!) Not only that he played the guitar and did a rousing rendition of an old Elvis favorite, "*Have a Blue Christmas.*"

Also outstanding were sit-in drummers LARRY BAILEY and PIETER KARK. Even the "bah humbug" members got into the sing-along spirit. Thanks to the Program Committee for a great Holiday present!

...AS WE SAY "GOODBYE" TO A NOT-SO-FONDLY REMEMBERED 2008...

WE WISH ALL 1.2 MILLION ROTARIANS AND THEIR FAMILIES AN OUTSTANDING 2009

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