



Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

Weekly Newsletter

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PLEDGE

JOYCE CUSICK led the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS & GUESTS

AUDREY RUST introduced guests:

Visiting Rotarians: Patrick O'Regan from Palo Alto University.

Rotarians with Guests: Karen Kienzle (IRIS KOROL), & Ed Murphy (BILL BUSSE).

OPENING REMARKS

CHESLEY DOUGLAS reminded us we have the power to change the status quo in order to improve. We all must participate in recruiting members in order to sustain and grow our Club.

PRESIDENT'S CLUB

President RALPH ADAMS added to the Treasury by five members joining his exclusive club. DON LANGENDORF and BILL BUSSE celebrated 60th wedding anniversaries.

MIKE COUCH celebrated his 40th wedding anniversary.

ROGER SMITH joined to tell a joke about son-in-laws and President RALPH was cornered into joining his own club because he forgot to call for introductions of Visiting Rotarians and Guests.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Past President MIKE COUCH expressed appreciation for his very musical and classy Debunking Dinner. Special Thanks to IRIS KOROL, HAL MICHELSON and THE LE LEVY SINGERS.

In addition to arranging parties, IRIS has assumed the role of Task Force Chairperson to study opportunities for fundraising. A report is anticipated within the month.

Kudos to STEVE EMSLIE as outgoing Opening Remarks Chair, and appreciation to CASH ALAEE and LEN ELY who have assumed the responsibility.

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, July 15th at 8:30am at the Cardinal Hotel. All are invited.

PROGRAM

RICK RAYBIN introduced Allan Satoloff, Executive Director of the Jewish Community Center. The new Palo Alto JCC (opening September 1st) is an intergenerational complex including childcare, senior housing, a dementia health care unit, a fitness center and community art and performance center. It is a unique design that encourages seniors to enjoy watching children at play. \$138.2 million of the \$140 million budget (\$22 million in land cost) has been pledged, it is ahead of schedule and on budget. According to Allan, the key to this successful project is passionate investors and a limited

number of committees, so decisions were made quickly. The complex has 12 buildings, 181 senior units (130 deposits), a pre-school with 265 openings (210 taken) and they have sold 1,600 fitness club memberships. It is anticipated that 5,000 people per day will be on the campus. There are 620 parking spaces with 200 reserved for residents, and there is valet service. Allan described how the incredibly-successful fundraising was sponsored by the Schultz and Oshman families, and the Taube and Koret Foundations.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

[Palo Alto Rotary - Speakers Schedule](#)

July 20 – "Origins of Insurgency and Terrorism" – Col. Felter

July 27 – "Economic Policy in the Obama Administration" – Greg Rosston

NEARBY MEETING PLACES:

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