



Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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A ROTARY FOUNDATION INSPIRE-ACULAR!

(That was the only "word" I could conjure up to describe today's program by Dr. Bharat Pandya. You had to be there to fully appreciate the message of someone who may have been the inspiration for the phrase, *"You've got to walk the walk!"* A brief summary of the Program is appended.

AMATEUR AUCTIONEER COMES THROUGH!!!

SAM WEBSTER assumed the role of "auctioneer extraordinaire." Our Sam-ateur started the bidding for a ticket to the Stanford/Washington State at \$150 and was able to lower it all the way to \$100. WAY TO GO SAM! And congratulations, LEN ELY, for outbidding NICK NICHOLS. Len was quoted as saying, *"Sam looked so lonesome, I was moved to take pity!"* It was all a sad faced act, Len ...Sam is probably the least lonesome individual on the entire planet!

A "WE CARE" PRESENTATION...

DICK FREEMAN circulated Get Well Cards for ISRAEL ZEHAVI (Continuing degenerative problems) ...DAVID NEGRIN (Cataract surgery) and GARY FAZZINO (SAM reported that Gary has completed radiation and chemotherapy, and is in the process of having his sanitized bone marrow re-introduced... into his own bones.) **In other words, it is good news! We look forward to a visit one of these days soon, Gary!**

PRESIDENT MIKE ASSUMED THE PODIUM AND

Introduced visiting Rotarian Darrell Monday of the Los Gatos Morning Club, along with Rotarians and their outstanding guests, to wit: Susan Lutter guest of CASH ALAEE; Michael Lee guest of BRIAN STEEN; Kent Brown guest of TODD LEWIS; Also attending, but un-introduced, was Philippe De Fries our high school (Paly) Rotary Exchange student from Cologne, Germany

NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED!

Sponsor...and past president WALT HAYS...introduced new Rotarians KAY WILSON and JOHN BARTON.



KAY is Director of Community Outreach in the Office of Government and Community Relations at Stanford. Kay's current project is obtaining City approval of the new Stanford Hospital. She received her BA from Vanderbilt and a Master's in City Planning from Kent State.

JOHN is an Architect who, in addition to a private practice in Palo Alto, is Director of the Architectural Design Program at Stanford. (As an aside to you football buffs, one reason Andrew Luck came to SU was to study architecture!) John



has served two terms on the PA School Board and one term on the PA City Council.

Welcome to Rotary, Kay and John! We look forward to hearing your life stories at a future New Member's Presentation!

A NEW MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENT'S CLUB

DICK BUSH joined as a salute to AUDREY RUST and STEVE EMSLIE. This dynamic duo led a Peninsula Open Space Trust hike and BBQ that inspired Dick to contribute a sawbuck to the Charity coffers! Way to go, Dick...you may have started a movement!

"YOU CAN SAVE UP TO \$11K!" NO, REALLY!

A quote from Entertainment Book impresario DICK FREEMAN, *"A \$30 investment...with six going to the Club...can save you up to \$11,000."* WOW! What a deal! See Dick at the next meeting with cash in hand or a cashable check! Also, consider an Entertainment Book as a gift to a special friend.

THANK FROM PREZ MIKE

To today's Staff Support...CHRISTINA for handling the cash...WALT for Room Set-up...and BILL for doing the Pinion... not to mention the inimitable E.J. HONG who has set up our "check-in process" using an iPad... E.J. also did a masterful survey of the members in attendance by asking, *"How many use the web site? How many use the tri-fold directory? How many use the Membership Directory which includes photos of most members?" "How many would use a credit card to pay for meals?" "Who would be willing to pay for meals quarterly?...annually?"* Look out all of you "fellow old timers!" Our Rotary World is a changin'!

PROGRAM NOTES

Our esteemed Past President and Chairman of this year's Rotary Foundation Fund Raising effort, RALPH ADAMS, did the honors of introducing speaker Dr. Bharat Pandya. Dr.



Pandya is a Charter Member and President of the Borivili Rotary Club in Mumbai, India, along with having served as Governor of District 3140.

Dr. Pandya was motivated to promote Rotary's worldwide efforts by questions asked in a presentation he saw on the drought in East Africa. The questions were:

"Who will listen?" "Who will respond?"

He noted that *“knowing” doesn’t make a difference. It’s in ‘doing something’ ... and that is in the true Rotary Spirit!”*

“There are three phases in life...LEARN...EARN and RETURN!”

The Rotary Foundation supports worldwide projects in Water Management, Medicine and Education. The Palo Alto Club has provided over \$117,000 for water harvesting in India, along with numerous hands-on trips.

The overriding purpose of Bharat’s illustrated presentation was to request that we open our hearts and support the Rotary Foundation, which in turn supports all of the fabulous work we accomplish around the world. (As a footnote, it appears that polio may be eradicated by the end of 2011.)

For your information our District, District 5170, has contributed over 1 million dollars each of the past two years. Last year our Club raised \$32,000, which is about \$250 per member. Remember that number and bring your checkbook next meeting.

Thanks to the District for recommending this outstanding Rotary Foundation presentation!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

[Palo Alto Rotary - Speakers Schedule](#)

October 25 – **Sahar Ghazi**, Knight Fellow, “Pakistan”

NEARBY MEETING PLACES:

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