

Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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President KATIE SEEDMAN called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Visiting Rotarians: Klaus Heinemann from Gualala, CA

Guests of Rotarians: GLORIA HOM introduced Jay Thorwaldson, writer for Palo Alto Weekly; SALLY TOMLINSON introduced Kate Godfrey, Program Officer with Environmental Volunteers



WE CARE ANNOUNCEMENT, DICK FREEMAN: Condolences to NINA MOORE whose mother passed away.

OPENING REMARKS

BERT ROSE took us back in Palo Alto Rotary Club's history to June 1, 1987 when PARC welcomed its first woman member, GLORIA HOM. This auspicious day is documented in the

June 1, 1987 Epinion. Take a look!!

AN HISTORIC MEETING:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GLORIA HOM made sure we know about Theatre Night—Friday September 18, Lucy Stern Theater. Rotarian ELIZABETH SANTANA has the lead role in "Chicago". Go see it and cheer her on! Tickets \$39 (\$10.00 off) Preceded by a wine and cheese gathering of Rotarians, 7 p.m. at Lucie Stern.

RED BADGE meeting at Elks Club Monday Sept. 14 at 1:30, following regular meeting.

MIKE BAIRD, our Youth Services Chair, coordinates our relationships with Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Interact. Mike gave us an inside look at Rotary's Youth Protection Program, individual screening and training that is designed to recognize and stop abuse, before it happens.



GINNY LEAR announced an RI Polio Immunization trip to Cotê d'Ivoire in West Africa, November 10-19 – a Hand-On, Sleeves-up week to remember. GINNY has the details.

PRESIDENTS CLUB CONTRIBUTION

MEL MATSUMOTO honored Dunhill Martinez, a recent recipient of a PARC Rotary Vocational scholarship. Thanks to Rotary's help, Dunhill is enrolled in DeAnza's Automotive Tech class in addition to working 40 hours a week!



THANKS from KATIE SEEDMAN for all the volunteers who made today's meeting possible!

PROGRAM



SALLY TOMLINSON introduced Dan Klein who teaches Improvisation in Leadership at Stanford where he is a Lecturer in the Graduate School of Business. He also leads classes at the Hasso Plattner Institute for Design (d.school). Dan travels extensively teaching leadership communication and behavior skills to corporate and global leaders. He was selected as Teacher of the Year by the Stanford Students Assoc. in 2009.

Dan described the "secret" language of humans, and actually all vertebrates, of status behavior. He presented a fascinating video that showed measurable traits of status behavior.

Behavior examples included the indicators of High Status, including authority, strength, knowledge and confidence.

Low Status, including introverted, passive, nervous and insecure traits.

Of particular interest, Dan said that we all can identify these traits in people we interact with, but don't always know how we personally exhibit status characteristics. Your habitual status is your preference for life, but not necessarily who you are. Many people alternate their behavior status depending upon their momentary personal situation.

Q: What cultural variation do you see with these behaviors?

A: There are huge cultural differences, e.g. Touching.

Q: Does this apply across species?

A: Yes! Dog training is the best example of cross species behavior and training.

Q: How do you find your authentic self?

A: 360 degree feedback from those you interact with

UPCOMING MEETINGS

September 7, DARK

September 14, Richard Held, FBI Retd. "NSA, ISIS and Cyber Vulnerabilities: Do We Really Understand the Implications?"

PREVIEW OF PROGRAMS TO COME:

- June 8 - Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Lab., Prog. Arthur Bienestock
- June 15 - Americans Cup Show Leonard Ware (Bring a sailing guest)
- June 22 - 65th Anniversary Luncheon of founding of Palo Alto Club
- June 24 - 7:30 a.m. Palo Alto Rotary Board of Directors meeting - Larry Liston's office in Wells Fargo Bank - 400 Hamilton

OPENING:

President TOM FRYER called the meeting to order and introduced JACK WOODSON who in giving the opening, reminded us of the four parts which comprise the Object of Rotary changing the wording of the last one to refer to professional persons (rather than men). He then emphasized that we are a service club - not just a group of persons who get together and give money (though that is desirable) but who also enjoy the satisfaction of hands on projects such as building a fence with Bob Brown at a child care center or helping spruce up the Palo Alto Girls Club or helping cook at a club barbecue. I hope that when you hear of our service club project for the year you will listen with your heart as well as your mind.

The Four-Way Test

OF THE THINGS we think, say or do:

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- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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TOM BECKETT, Assistant Director of Athletics - Football, Stanford University was introduced by STEVE PLAYER who noted the many hats Tom wears in his busy position. Tom was pleased to show a film about a day (or two) on the Farm to help whet Rotarian enthusiasm to sell a goal of 1200 tickets for the UCLA - Stanford game on October 3. This will be Stanford's largest single group sale of the season.

This film, highlighting games from Stanford's 1986 football season was, accordingly to President TOM, an absolute masterpiece! Depending on academic affiliation, it was greeted with great enthusiasm or some skepticism. The musical and other sound affects, particularly the squeal of brakes, as the Washington Huskies ran into the Stanford defense was typical of the possibly slightly slanted joyful tone of this little gem of a documentary. [Stanford is, of course, well known for its academic integrity].

But remember it is all in a good cause. Buy your tickets early, enjoy the day, attend the tailgate luncheon and help the Polio Plus project!

28 years ago

1976 Duette car
1984 Seattle WA
1987 May 4

INTRODUCTION OF GLORIA ANN SUN HOM:

"GLORIA ANN SUN HOM has been a member of the State Board of education since 1984. She has been a teacher in the California Community College system for 20 years, and is currently Chairwoman of the Economics Department at Mission College in Santa Clara. She was our speaker in the Fall of '86 and has been a frequent guest during recent years.

US Supreme Ct
upheld Calif Ct
Unborn Est
May 4/1987
June 1 1987 -
PARC 1st time
member

"I won't repeat info contained in the membership proposal bulletin sent to all club members. Instead - I'd like to tell something more about her family roots - which are deep in Santa Clara County: Gloria's maternal great-grandfather founded "Bayside Cannery" in Alviso in the late 1800s. Her grandfather (Tom Foon Chew) joined his father's business at age 17 and greatly expanded operations, so that the cannery became the 3rd largest in the U.S. (after Del Monte and Libby). He became a successful grower in addition to opening new canneries in Isleton (Sacramento Delta) and Palo Alto. (The old Maximart building - still in use - between El Camino and Park Avenue was the site of his Mayfield Cannery. He became known as the "Asparagus King" and grew and packed many kinds of fruit and vegetables from Sacramento to Dos Palos (in the Central Valley) and to Yuba City and Monterey.

"Her mother was 1 of 7 children - (3 sons and 4 daughters); all of whom graduated from college. This is even more remarkable in view of the fact that Tom Foon Chew died before any of them was ready to enter college: (1931 at age 42).

"Gloria sincerely believes in the Object of Rotary - and I'm certain she will contribute much to the continuing success of this fine organization."

Upon her formal induction into Rotary, Gloria received a resounding standing ovation. Gloria was then fined \$5.00 by Mike Conner, noting that the Sunday paper reflected the fact that she had been interviewed in a panel relating to her school's funding. Obviously, there will be no discrimination in the Palo Alto Rotary Club. Mike is to be commended for such fair and even-handed fining! [On her first hour as a Rotarian?]

Mike - 6/1/87
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