

Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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A POLIO FREE WORLD BY 2019....IF

We all keep working to raise the \$1.5 billion still needed for total eradication. (The amount seems way too high, but our speaker repeated it and included the number in her slide presentation.) According to JOHN O'KEEFE and GEOFF ZIMAN our club raised \$120,000 during the initial Polio Plus drive. Not bad, but there are still 27 cases of polio remaining in three nations. Find out where later in this Pinion.



TIME WILL STAND STILL!

According to our Opening Remarker, MARCIE COX, if you go to unique places in this world, you will, in fact, experience time standing still. The reason according to MARCIE is that time actually seems to speed up if we are locked into the same routines. She noted that when we are young time goes slowly because everything is new. Therefore, hit the road,

Jack, if you want to get more out of life in less time! (She has been on the road for 85 days this year...so far...and looks at least 85 days younger.) However, it will cost you. MARCIE set the precedent by contributing \$100 for her President's Club Membership.

MIKE COUCH REPORTED THAT

Children in East Palo Alto are benefitting from our book program contributions. He is also looking for fellow Rotarians who will join him November 18th for Career Day in EPA. He singled out architects and engineers, but any other professionals, except perhaps long ago retired Retirees, will be most welcome!



AND LATER MIKE COUCH PULLED A LATERAL ARABESQUE

It also had a "dangling apex" and went like this. "Sure I will join the PREXY'S CLUB if five other members will follow suit." Of course, Mike may have been hoping his high bar would save him from having to pony up the membership fee, but, after a bit of suspense, five hands went up. Way to go new Club members!



SEEMS STRANGE, BUT ROMAN could not find a Rotary Club in ROME

However, Centurion KAGARLITSKI did find Barcelona and returned with what he considered the most beautiful club banner of all time. Why "Centurion" you might ask. Merely because he also contributed a century note for P. C.

membership. A little convoluted, but what the hey!

PROPOSITIONED AGAIN!

It was a banner day...so to speak. HENRIETTA BURROUGHS noted that as a journalist it was important to get out the facts....in this case the facts about the State of California Propositions "which are important to our lives." She will have League of Women Voters representatives on her East Palo Alto News program, "Talking with Henrietta", to discuss said State propositions. Tune in to Channel 30 for more info.



CHRISTMAS WREATHS, ANYONE?

MIKE BAIRD announced that Boy Scouts will have wreaths available again this year. They can be delivered to you at a Club meeting or delivered to your home. \$25 a copy. More information in the coming weeks!



THIS YEAR'S LAST T.G.I.F. MEETING

Will be at President Steen's home at 5 pm Friday October 28th. That's coming up soon...so put it on your calendar and be there!

WORLD POLIO DAY



Here's the data from Cecelia Babkirk who is chairperson of the District 5170 Rotary Foundation Committee.

"In 1988 there were 350,000 cases in 125 countries. Had it not been for the immunization program as many as 15,000,000 people walking today would have been paralyzed. That's the good news. The bad news is that there are still 27 cases in 3 countries. The countries are

Nigeria, Pakistan and Afghanistan. And even worse news is that the estimated cost for total eradication is a whopping \$1.5 billion." Time for all Rotarians to do our part to see that this dreadful disease is once and forever banished from our Planet!

DO WE DESERVE TO KILL?



Our program was introduced by SALLY TOMLINSON. Sally met our speaker while traveling in Patagonia and signed her up. Way to go, Sally!

Ellen Kreitzberg is currently Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Social Justice and Public Service at Santa Clara University. She has written extensively on the death penalty and has trained lawyers assigned to defend capital cases. Ellen is also a guest lecturer at Harvard

Law School's Trial Advocacy Program.

DEATH PENALTY DATA

Current Death Row Inmates
California 741...Total USA: 2,905
Executions since 1976...1,404
Last Execution in Calif...2006

Executions by Region since 1976
South...1,172
Texas and Okla...650
California...13

18 States do not have the death penalty.
156 inmates have been exonerated since 1976
7 executed were later found not guilty. Bummer!

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

October 31, Dr. Mehrdad Ayati, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Medicine, Stanford School of Medicine: "Geriatrics: Over Medication"