

Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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PRESIDENT BRIAN led The Pledge to open the meeting. IRIS KOROL introduced her table mate Carol Lippert as the guest of LEE LIPPERT who was seated elsewhere.



DARYL SAVAGE and KATIE SEEDMAN amused us with a demonstration of non-verbal communication, in this case body language. DARYL explained what various postures signified, and KATIE, seated on a chair on the elevated platform at the front of the room, gamely assumed the relevant postures.

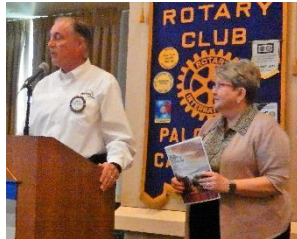


BILL BUSSE was unable to attend but his proxy JOHN KIDD joined the President's Club to mark the BUSSES' 68th wedding anniversary. BILL had given him two \$50 bills, one of which JOHN joked he assumed was for him.



GINNY LEAR and CHARLIE WEIDANZ promoted participation in the Crab Feed fundraiser on April 8, listing newly

received contributions for the auction and soliciting help staffing the event. PRESIDENT BRIAN and JUDITH STEINER reported that 12 persons had signed up to attend the April 20 dinner at the Jewish Community Center to honor WALT HAYS and six more were needed to fill two tables.



BRIAN said the ELKS CLUB apologized for the unavailability of parking on site, as installation of solar panels in the parking area was taking longer than anticipated. Some speculated that the unexpected addition of desserts to the menu might have come from the ELKS, but no definitive word was available. BRIAN also announced a brief Board meeting immediately following the luncheon meeting.

THE PROGRAM New Member Talks ROB LYMAN introduced Dr. IAN KROES as his first speaker, noting that IAN has over 70 "small trees" in his back yard. Born and bred in the Bay Area, IAN attended Cal Berkeley where he studied physics until his dad, an internist, inspired him to pursue medicine. His mother also is in



medicine. In his third year there, Stanford Medical School required him to select a specialty. Not yet having learned enough to do so, he chose the broadest one available, family medicine. He gained his first choice for a residency, UCLA, where he worked 70 to 80 hours a week and still had energy to learn about bonsai. He next worked 10 years in the Family Medicine Department at PAMF, with a very heavy patient case load. A year ago he left PAMF and started building his own membership based practice, to be limited to 200 patients. Now with adequate time, he sees patients in his office, in hospitals, and in homes. Married with children aged seven and five, he enjoys family life, gardening (bonsai, which he illustrated for us



through slides), and winemaking. He and a friend buy half a ton of grapes each year, and process them into fine Pinot Noir. He is donating half a case to the Crab Fest auction.

Next ROB introduced MARGARET BOLES, impressed that she rode a camel for an hour. She confessed to nervousness, feeling that she had written her obituary. She was born and raised on the Texas Gulf Coast. She had been proud of a large complex there until she learned it was a Dow Chemical plant. A would-be coloratura soprano, she received a BA in Music from Western Connecticut State College. In her final semester she married John Boles, now a professional actor. They recently celebrated their 45th Anniversary. She taught public and private music classes for five years in



St. Thomas, U. S. Virgin Islands. MARGARET received a Master of Divinity from San Francisco Theological Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry from Columbia Theological Seminary, and studied at the Ecumenical Seminary in Matanzas, Cuba. She served as a pastor for 12 years back in Texas and then served as Director of a Conference Center in Cincinnati. She had postings as pastor throughout the U.S., and even New Zealand and Iona, a small island off the west coast of Scotland. Today she serves as Minister of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Palo Alto, and Trustee of the San Francisco Theological Seminary. The Boles have three children and four grandchildren, all close by. She gives thanks that her parents told her she could do anything she wanted, advice that has proven helpful in forming her life. She finds large bodies of water inspiring, and music very important.



Rob's third speaker was NICKLAS (NICK) GRANOSKI II, a Bay Area native now following his dad's career in real estate. He graduated from Awalt High School in Mtn. View, where he played football. He then graduated with a degree in Finance and Economics from San Jose State, where he met his wife Dana and enjoyed serving as President of his fraternity. He had a successful career as a banking officer at Wells Fargo, managing several branches and becoming a Vice President. On vacation

in Yosemite in his late twenties, he pondered what he was doing with his life. Clarity came from two questions Dana put to him: (1) if you could do anything you wanted to do, what would you do? "Act" was his immediate response; (2) why don't you? He studied acting in San Francisco and enjoyed some success before moving to the big time in Los Angeles. Just as NICK's career was starting to take off, Dana announced she was pregnant and they agreed they could not raise children in L.A. They returned to the Bay Area and NICK joined a start-up in real estate at DICK BUSH's suggestion. He has been a residential Realtor for 20 years, first at Alain Pinel in Palo Alto and at Pacific Union International for the past year --his favorite career yet. He and Dana live in Menlo Park with a daughter 17 and a son 15. In the "crazy process" of his daughter seeking college admission, he takes comfort in the saying, "Where you go is not who you will be."

PRESIDENT BRIAN adjourned the meeting after thanking those who staffed it and KATIE for her acting.

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

March 20, Bill Liberatore and the Gunn Choir: Musical Program
March 27, Scotty McLennan, Stanford GSB Lecturer in Political Economy: "Finding the Meaning of Life in Novels"