

# Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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President BRIAN STEEN convened our club's April 10 luncheon meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. KLAUS HEINEMANN made his last-ever appearance as a Visiting Rotarian (explained below). JON STOUAMAN introduced fellow architect TERRY BEAUBOIS, a third-time guest. SALLY TOMLINSON presented PAT WORTHINGTON, who helped line up the day's speaker.

Opening Remarks by ROB LANCEFIELD introduced the "new neuropsychiatry," pioneered by DR. DAVID HELLERSTEIN at Columbia, with great potential for the 18% of Americans who suffer clinically significant mental illness. It's pragmatic, concentrating on how the patient is now, in the present day; it builds on genetic research about tiny parts of the brain called neurotransmitters; it asks patients to write, or re-write, their life stories. Rob



also recommended a presentation, "Why Doctors Write," at the Cantor Arts Center on July 13, that will feature Dr. HANS STEINER and readings by the Pegasus Physician Writers.

President Brian expressed thanks to the tireless, enthusiastic committee that organized our hugely successful Crab Feed. Among key contributors were GINNY LEAR, BRUCE GEE, DICK BUSH, PETER SHAMBORA, CHARLIE WEIDANZ and REBECCA GERALDI, plus auctioneer STEVE PLAYER, servers from ADA'S CAFÉ, and MIKE BAIRD as coordinator of volunteer assistance from GUNN HIGH SCHOOL. Bruce announced that this year's event, including sponsorships, raised an amount which he tentatively calculates as \$80,000, including \$10,000 in "Fund-a-Need" donations to the MayView Community Health Center. Unfulfilled auction bids will be referred for collection to R. J. "KNUCKLES" BUSH, who specializes in the administration of painful incentives for prompt settlement of debts.



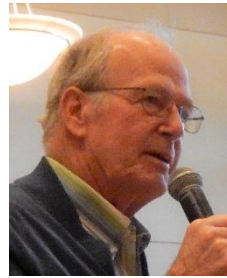
The aforementioned BRUCE GEE was honored via a President's Club contribution by STEVE PLAYER to mark Bruce's 55th birthday.



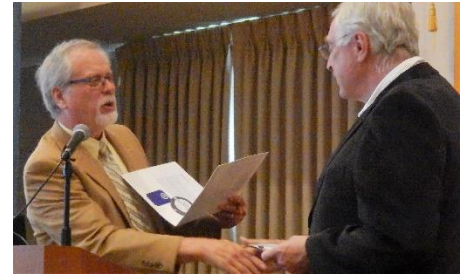
BERT ROSE reported that he had enough money left after his Crab Feed expenditures to join the PC with \$200 for the Endowment Fund.



JOHN KIDD advised that BILL BUSSE has been helping Bill's wife Barbara recover from surgery.



The also-aforementioned KLAUS HEINEMANN re-joined our club and was forthwith issued a Blue Badge. He initially enrolled 30 years ago, sponsored by JOHN KIDD, before a 15-year sojourn at Sea Ranch and the Rotary outpost in Gualala, during



which he maintained contact with us through frequent visits and generous support for our charity auctions. Welcome back, Klaus.

Our speaker, MARK JACOBSON, was introduced by SALLY TOMLINSON, chair of our Program Committee. He is Professor of Civil & Environmental Engineering at Stanford, and a Senior Fellow at the Woods Institute. His talk centered on the focus of his career, the need for large-scale energy



solutions to air pollution and global warming. He explained why we need to attain 100% use of clean, renewable energy, and how to move toward that goal. Up to 7 million people die each year from pollution caused by the fuels the world currently uses. In Mark's opinion, prices for those fuels are destined to rise to impossible levels. We need to electrify everything that moves, using battery-electric technology and hydrogen fuel cells. We will switch to wind and water power, solar energy, heat pumps, arc furnaces and dielectric heaters. Energy storage will be critical – such as power stations that pump water upward to bank energy that can be recaptured from downward flow, and heat reserves in rocks underground. In Mark's view, these changes will be achieved as a result of basic economics – what's cheapest, long run – if supported by appropriate policy decisions. More information can be found at

<https://web.stanford.edu/group/efmh/jacobson/Articles//USStatesWWS.pdf>.

## PROGRAMS & EVENTS

April 17, Yukio Shimomura: "My Two and Half Years Behind Barbed Wire in the US During WWII"

April 24, John Koza, Chair, National Popular Vote: "The National Popular Vote Initiative"