

# Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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The days dwindle down to a precious few for our club's President, BETSY BECHTEL.... Our June 4 meeting began with BOB MCCOWAN leading the Pledge of Allegiance.... DUANE KALAR introduced his youngest grandson, MCKINLEY KALAR, who attends the University of Wisconsin.... STEVE EMSLIE'S guest was PATRICK KELLEY, Director of Membership & Healthy Living at the Y.... DICK BUSH was joined by his wife, PATRICIA MCGUIGAN.... LIZ KNISS introduced her summer intern, granddaughter ELIZABETH SALAME.



CHRIS TAYLOR'S Thought for the Day has been a guiding principle of the work he and his wife began doing in Nicaragua in 2014, aimed at making an impact rather than applying Band-Aids: It's an idea from C. S. Lewis: "The proper aim of giving is to put the recipients in a state where they no longer need our gifts."

BRIAN STEEN reminded us that we can salute PRESIDENT BETSY while enjoying an evening on the town if we attend our club's annual Debunking, on Monday, June 18, at Michael's at Shoreline, starting at 5:30 pm. Please buy tickets: \$65 per person, \$125 per couple....



GLORIA HOM noted that we'll have another in a great sequence of TGIF's this Friday, June 8, hosted by MATT DOLAN at Avalon Towers, 2400 West El Camino, Mountain View, 5:30 to 7:00.

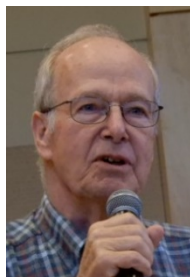


JIM SUTHERLAND presented Three Truths and a nugget of Fake News. In his youth, did he hang with Charles Schwab and Justice Stephen Breyer? Did he swim for the Stanford varsity? Was a computer that he designed used for fire control on Polaris missiles? When living in Europe, did he visit every major nation, missing only the Baltics and Bulgaria? In fact: His swimming was intramural, although he notched two intramural freestyle championships.



DAVE SMULLIN circulated get-well wishes for ART STAUFFER (hip replacement), JUDY KLEINBERG (hip) and PAM BRANDIN (shoulder).... LE LEVY and JOHN KIDD were welcomed upon returning from medium-long absences....

JOHN mentioned how pleased he was to learn of the recognition extended by Avenidas to DICK and ELLIE MANSFIELD for their Lifetimes of Achievement....



JUDITH STEINER joined the President's Club to honor Betsy's leadership and accomplishments....

BRUCE GEE joined the PC to mark the graduation of his youngest, KERI, from SMU. She already has a job....



Charging right past any issue of missing paperwork, PRESIDENT BETSY welcomed our newest member, JULIO NINO, Mechanical Engineer, Intuitive Surgical.



Our speaker, DR. PATRICK N. HUNT, was introduced by DICK BUSH. Dr. Hunt



earned his PhD in Archeology from the University of London in 1991. He directed the Stanford Alpine Archeology Project from 1994 to 2011. Much of his research has been sponsored by the National Geographic Society. He often appears on PBS, National Geographic and NOVA.

Dr. Hunt's focus was the Carthaginian general Hannibal, who lived in the age of Scipio Africanus and Julius Caesar, but was Rome's most powerful enemy. In the judgment of many scholars, Hannibal was the greatest military tactician in history; his ideas and achievements are still studied in all the world's military academies. He is remembered for bringing 37 elephants through the Alps, but his true genius was in weaponizing nature: His troops made their way through mountain passes in winter and crossed swamps in spring; he exploited all the hardships and disadvantages that his enemies faced from freezing temperatures and merciless winds.... Dr. Hunt's book Hannibal was published by Simon & Schuster in 2017 and will soon be available in paperback.



## PROGRAMS and EVENTS

June 8, TGIF DOLAN Residence, 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

June 11, Jorg Heinemann, Chief Commercial Officer at Primus Power: "The Clean Energy Revolution?"

June 18, DARK - No Meeting

June 18, DEBUNKING

June 25, Vocational/Long Time Member Talks