



# Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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## **SALUTE**

Past President JOHN O'KEEFE led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

TOM GRACON called on ANNETTE GLANCKOPF to introduce three guests including Stephen McGraw, John Hyde & Michael Levy. BRIAN STEEN'S guest was Greg Betts. JOAN PLASTIRAS accompanied Roberta Meneken.

## **OPENING SALVO**

ANDY COE warmed up the crowd for the guest speaker with his perspective as Cashier with "Behind the Scenes at Rotary". ANDY observed (in a very humorous way) Rotarians are: insightful, generous(?), provide service to other members, and like a good deal. Also, the President's job is difficult.

## **IMPORTANT TO KNOW**

The Oaxaca, Mexico Hands-On Project has 29 people signed up.

BRIAN STEEN & guest Greg Betts announced local Hands-On projects in collaboration with the City of Palo Alto to improve the entry points to the City.

JACK WOODSON reminded us to sign up for the Rotaract-Rotary Social on October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5-7pm at the Borel Private Bank, 245 Lytton Avenue, Palo Alto.

## **PRESIDENT'S CLUB**

Celebrating members included LARRY BAILEY, LAURIE LISTON, TRISH BUBENIK and SKIP HOYT (also honored for his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday).

## **EPA/PA ROTARY BREAKFAST**

Watch for more information about a jointly sponsored Rotary breakfast in East Palo Alto.

## **CELEBRITY SPEAKER**

JUDITH STEINER introduced Los Altos Rotarian Roy Lave who introduced fellow Rotarian & Founder of The Celebrity Forum, Dick Henning. The Forum has received numerous awards as the best Speaker's Forum in the nation. Dick honored Palo Alto Rotarians who helped found the Forum by their support to the Community Colleges including BOB SMITHWICK, MARTHA KANTER, BETSY BECHTEL, BRUCE SWENSON, JACK POWER, and BILL MILLER.

After more than 40 years of meeting some of the most interesting people in the world, Dick related humorous stories about many of them, including writing the speech for

Douglass Fairbanks, Jr. & influencing Cary Grant to overcome his shyness. Dick believes the Celebrity Forum is able to attract 7,000 people over three nights for each speaker because of the high education level of the area, a great facility at The Flint Center, & the attractiveness of speakers to visit the Silicon Valley/San Francisco area.

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

[Palo Alto Rotary - Speakers Schedule](#)

September 29 – Library Bond Pros and Cons – Diana Diamond, Moderator

## **NEARBY MEETING PLACES:**

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