

Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

December 5, 2022



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WELCOME



With the holiday spirit President **KAREN ROHDE's** bell ringing brought our meeting to order.

President-elect LIZ KNISS recognized our members with guests: Susan Lam was a guest of **REBECCA GERALDI**. **ANNE CRIBBS** invited Joy Oche as her guest and **JULIE JEROME** extended an invitation to Robyn Kolozsvari.

KAREN extended best wishes to 13 members who celebrate December birthdays.

ELIZABETH SANTANA led the club in song.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Continuing with this year's theme of Building Community, **ELIZABETH SANTANA** shared a perspective from the Knight Foundation: Art binds people to purpose, place and each other. Researchers have concluded art in its many forms contributes to social connection, creates and builds toward a greater community experience. Writer's note: anyone who has attended a Palo Alto Players can attest to the binding nature of art.



CLUB HOLIDAY PARTY



On December 14, 5:30-7:30 pm, we will gather at Gamble Gardens to celebrate the Holiday Season! We will enjoy bites, drinks, music and more. To help plan, please register that you will attend. Thanks to **MATT DOLAN** and **CAROLE HALL WHITEHILL** for managing the event, and to

IRIS KOROL for arranging this historic, festive venue. Please register. No cost.

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PRESIDENTS CLUB



TRISH BUBENIK celebrated becoming a Rotary member on December 3rd twenty years ago. She joined after having a significant career change and is delighted to continue her membership in our club.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Palo Alto Rotary was recognized by Palo Alto Adult School (PAAS) as the Winter Quarter 2023 Community Partner for our "**Excellence in Service**" This means we will be recognized in their PAAS Catalog, which has a distribution of 25,000, which will be coming out this month. We will also be featured on the PAAS home page and Facebook page.

We Care Committee: If you know of someone who could use some well-wishes from our club, please let Julie Jerome or Steve Player, co-Chairs of our We Care Committee know so they can arrange for a card to be signed and sent.

Paul Harris Fellows (PHF) Recognition



In recognition of giving, members are awarded a Paul Harris Fellow Pin each time an individual member's cumulative giving reaches a new level (each \$1,000 increment). We recognized members: PHF Level 1: **REBECCA GERALDI**. PHF Level 3: **BRUCE GEE** and **EJ HONG**; PHF Level 5: **HERSH DAVIS**, **LEN ELY** and **SUSAN LUTTER**. Cheers to our members for their generosity.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

SALLY TOMLINSON introduced our speaker, friend and former Palo Alto Rotarian **Christian Martine**, Senior Product Manager, Glassdoor, speaking on "*Steps to Improve Your Digital Security, from Novice to Savvy*"



Christian's timely presentation addressed digital security and steps to take to protect person, property, and reputation as a *security aware individual*. As

online system security and authentication processes have improved, scammers have adapted by increasing use of phishing. The weak link in IT security will be individuals willingly providing confidential data.

Using a Consumer Authentication Strength Maturity Model which outlines progressive steps to enhance security, Christian reviewed the benefits and action steps for improved personal online security. A big take away from his presentation is selecting a password manager, two-factor authentication and taking action now.

His closing and easy to implement bonus tips were to keep your devices and applications up-to-date, strong password and biometrics, use VPN, save files to secure services like Dropbox or OneDrive and protect accounts like Social Security by registering and maintaining log in information.

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

With a ring of the bell, **KAREN** signaled our meeting adjourned. Please donate to The Rotary Foundation and sign up for the Holiday Party on December 14th.

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS

Greeters: **Anne Cribbs**, **Patty McGuigan**
Welcome Desk/Cashier: **Rebecca Gerald**, **Katie Seedman**
Meeting Set-Up: **Marco Maina**
Zoom/Hybrid Host: **Ben Threlkeld**
Microphones: **Dana Tom**
Pinion writer: **Matt Dolan**
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UPCOMING PROGRAMS/EVENTS

December 12 Club meeting 12:15-1:30 pm	West Bay Opera Singers Musical Selections GUESTS WELCOME!
December 14 5:30-7:30 pm Please Register	Member Holiday Party Gamble Gardens 1431 Waverley St. PA
December 19th and 26th January 2, 2023 No Meetings	Happy Holidays! HAPPY NEW YEAR!
January 9, 2023 First Club meeting of the New Year! 12:15-1:30 pm	New Member Talks Lee Pfab, Ed Shikada, Carole Hall Whitehill