

Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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WELCOME TO OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS

CHARLIE WEIDANZ, introduced his guests, his daughter Christina, who came to help with today's service project, and Dr. Brian Greenberg of LifeMoves. **LEE PFAB** introduced her guest, George Pinckney.

QUOTE FOR THE DAY

CAROLE WHITEHILL, on Zoom from Tulsa, OK, gave us two quotes from Martin Luther King, jr. about Hope, this year's Rotary theme:

"We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope."

"The best way not to feel hopelessness is to get up and do something. Don't wait for things to happen to you."

In researching for today, CAROLE learned this about MLK, jr. He entered college at age 15. First black man to be named Time Magazine Man of the Year. He was the youngest Nobel Peace Prize winner at age 35. Many of us also learned that following a visit to Berlin in 1934, Rev. Michael Luther King, Sr., gained a great respect for German monk and theologian Martin Luther. Upon his return to the US, the senior MLK changed his and his son's names from Michael Luther King to Martin Luther King, sr and jr. Son Martin was 5 years old at that time.

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TGIF 2024! on January 26, 5:30-7:30 pm. at Carole Whitehill's home in Palo Alto.

APPRECIATING OUR SERVER

PRESIDENT LIZ called up our server, Noe, to thank him for his help to us every week in getting our buffet lunches and beverages, and clearing our tables during the meeting. We truly appreciate his help. On behalf of the club, LIZ presented Noe with a check and our thanks.



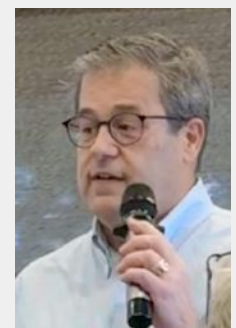
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LUNAR NEW YEAR DINNER

LUNAR New Year Dinner February 21st, 5:30 pm., announced by Social Chair **MATT DOLAN**. To be held with Los Altos and Mountain View Rotary Clubs at Fu Lam Mum Restaurant in downtown Mountain View, 153 Castro St. We will have the entire restaurant.



Our club has **50 seats available** to us. Cost is \$75 per person, which includes a 10 course banquet meal and more. Please make your checks payable to **LARC**. (Los Altos Rotary Club)
Your check delivered to MATT is your confirmation.



TODAY'S PROGRAM

CHARLIE WEIDANZ introduced Dr. Brian Greenberg, the V.P of Programs & Services at LifeMoves. He is a licensed psychologist with over 25 years of experience developing and managing behavioral health and housing programs. Prior to his current position, Dr. Greenberg



oversaw research and evaluation, adolescent services, and development for 18 years at Walden House. Brian also serves as a clinical consultant for drug treatment programming and has published articles in peer-reviewed journals concerning his work with substance abuse treatment research and housing. He received his undergraduate degree from Ohio

State University and his Master's degree and Ph.D. from the California School of Professional Psychology in Berkeley, CA.

In addition to LifeMoves, Dr. Greenberg serves as a clinical consultant for the County of San Mateo Behavioral Health and Recovery Services and is a sought after speaker in the Bay Area and beyond.

Dr. Greenberg thanks Rotary for supporting LifeMoves with the Service Project today.

He focused his remarks on Homelessness , and some of the key areas that contribute to Homelessness here locally, regionally, statewide and nationwide – cost of living and housing costs, substance abuse are just two of these key areas

LifeMoves offers programs and services to help support the unhoused in our community.

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIZ thanked our members for attending and adjourned the meeting, inviting us all to join the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day onsite service project. We all moved to the room where together members prepared a total of 100 backpacks. They were delivered by **ERIC JENSEN**. Thanks, ERIC!

TODAY'S MEETING VOLUNTEERS

Greeters: **Jake Yoo, Matt Dolan**
Cashier/Welcome Desk: **Rebecca Gerald, Katie Seedman**
Zoom/Hybrid Host: **Ben Threlkeld**
Pinion writer: **Trish Bubenik**
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UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

January 22
12:15-1:30pm
Club Meeting

Katie Bandy, Project Manager, Cal Dept. of Water: The Dutch Slough Habitat Restoration Project

January 26
TGIF: 2024!
5:30-7:30pm

Home of Carole Whitehill
Appetizers provided
Please bring a bottle of wine to share

January 29
12:15-1:30pm
Club Meeting

Art Stauffer, Nancy Peters, Hal Mickelson
Long time member talks

February 5
12:15-1:30pm
Club Meeting

Karen Law, Investor
Sustainability From an Investor Perspective

