Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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WELCOME TO OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS

Despite the damp chilly winters day President **LIZ KNISS** continued creating Hope in the world by ringing our meeting to order

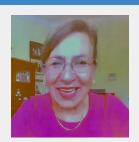
President LIZ recognized visiting Rotarians and quests: **IRIS KOROL**

introduced Mary Ann Gee, a guest of **SHERRI SAGER**, Shoshana Ziman joined her father **GEOFF ZIMAN**.



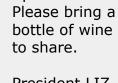
QUOTE FOR THE DAY

Aligning with the theme of Creating Hope in the World, **SOHEILA MOZAYAN** shared the thought for the day; that happiness is a choice and joy can be found in everyday opportunities.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

TGIF 2024 on January 26, 5:30-7:30 pm. at **CAROLE WHITEHILL's** home in Palo Alto. Appetizers provided.





President LIZ joined the Presidents Club to honor **BRUCE SWENSON** who will celebrate a big birthday next week.

LUNAR NEW YEAR DINNER

matt Dolan reminded members about the very special dinner celebrating the

Lunar New Year of the Green



Wooden Dragon, on February 21, 5:30pm at Fu Lam Mum Restaurant, 153 Castro Street in Mountain View. Cost is \$75.00/person. In cooperation with Los Altos Rotary Club, we have 50 spots allocated for our club. Make checks payable to: Los Altos Rotary (LARC) to guarantee your spots. Fewer than 20 seats remain. When we reach 50, we are sold out.

BRING A FRIEND 2/12/24

Membership Chair **LINNET KWOK** announced a special Bring A Friend Day on February 12. Our speaker will be Larry Diamond, Senior Fellow at FSI at Stanford. The Membership Committee is planning a special focus.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

BETSY BECHTEL

introduced our speaker **Katie Bandy**, Project Manager, Cal Dept. of Water, who presented on the Dutch Slough Project in Contra Costa County. Using visual displays of the marsh



area for perspective MS Bandy reviewed the extensive nature of the project requiring

grading, soil preparation and plantings before existing levees could be breached. The physical preparation of the site accommodates sea level rise and is inclusive of habitat restoration and research platforms. Agencies and research projects from California Depart of Water Resources, UC Berkeley, UC Davis and USGS are involved in research that varies

from habitat stability along with topics like carbon capture. The extensive site work is the springboard for ongoing research.

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIZ thanked our members for attending, encouraging everyone to attend the TGIF and sign up for the Lunar New Year Dinner. The meeting was adjourned.

TODAY'S MEETING VOLUNTEERS

Greeters: **Duane Kalar, Elizabeth Santana** Cashier/Welcome Desk: **Rebecca Geraldi,**

Katie Seedman

Zoom/Hybrid Host: **Dana Tom**Pinion writer: **Matt Dolan**Pinion editor: **Ginny Lear**

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS	
January 26 TGIF: 2024! 5:30-7:30pm	Home of Carole Whitehill Appetizers provided Please bring a bottle of wine or other beverage 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
February 12 12:15-1:30pm Club Meeting	Larry Diamond, Senior Fellow FSI, Stanford Silicon Triangle: The US, Taiwan, China and Global Semiconductor Security
February 19 DARK No Meeting	Presidents Day Holiday
February 21 Fu Lam Mum Mtn. View	Lunar New Year Dinner Sign up now, \$75 per person Bring your check to the meeting Monday