

Palo Alto Rotary Pinion

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Celebrating 102 years of Service

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President **REBECCA**, noted that with so many guests in our crowded meeting, and a big program, she opened with an en masse welcome. The listed visitors and hosts were Pinkie Fung (**Gloria Hom**);

Timothy Gee (**Mary Ann Gee**); Gayle Brugler (**Jackie Wheeler**); Jay Boyarsky (**Daryl Savage**); Hal Korol (**Iris Korol**); Harry Logan (**Ralph Adams**); Richard Hochmann, Ann Kalar (**Duane Kalar**); Sunny Dykwell (**Judy Kleinberg**); Kristina Lugo (**Steve Player**).

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY



MARY ANN GEE encouraged us to “do something” – particularly reaching out to neighbors and friends with whom we have not had recent contact.

PRESIDENTS CLUB

RENE MORGAN joined the President’s Club to honor her 16-year old grandson, Ben, and his new Internet baking business, as well as for her grandchildren Isabella and Jacob’s first week of college.

SERVICE & SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TGIF this Friday, August 30, 5:30-7:30pm
Homewood Suites, 4329 El Camino Real, PA
Thanks, **MATT DOLAN**!

Flags up and down on University Ave.
Monday, **Sept. 2nd**, 8 a.m. at Cowper, or
5 p.m. at High Street. Enjoy the company!

Social Chair **GREG HOOD** has organized a social activity at the San Francisco Giants ballgame on September 29th. It’s also Fan Appreciation Day! Check if you want to go.

BRUCE GEE announced there are still spaces available (with a \$75 charitable contribution) for the legendary Paella Party, September 6. This year includes a vegetarian paella option prepared by **SALLY TOMLINSON**. Drinks, salad and dessert round out the evening in **BRUCE & JANE’S backyard**.

If you are a new member, join the fun! Please email bruce.gee@gmail.com if you are able to join us.



PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT 10/5 & 10/6

NEW! Our 1st Pickleball Tournament for those interested in playing or helping out. LINNET KWOK and ANNE CRIBBS hope this will become a yearly event for our club, as a way to partner with the community and attract new members. Please save the dates of **October 5th and 6th**. We’d love our

members to register to participate or volunteer for this exciting new event.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Palo Alto City Council Candidates Forum

There are nine candidates vying for four spots on the Palo Alto City Council. Five were at the meeting and three Zoomed in, with one (Henry Etzkowitz) absent.



In person (l to r) Pat Burt (Incumbent), George Lu, Keith Reckdahl, Anne Cribbs, and Katie Causey.

The virtual attendees were Mayor Greer Stone (Incumbent), Doria Summa, and Cari Templeton.

SALLY TOMLINSON introduced the moderator, award-winning journalist **Gennady Sheyner** who covers local and regional politics, housing, transportation and other topics for the Palo Alto Weekly, Palo Alto Online and their sister publications.



Questions were posed to each of the candidates on housing, rail crossings, retail policy, rental registry,

Palo Alto Airport extension, sustainability/fossil fuels and priorities.

In the responses by the candidates there was not a great deal of dissension, challenges, outbursts or interruptions, though some different priorities. At the end, a suggestion that joy should be included as a future goal.

It seems that the biggest challenges facing the city are the rail crossings, housing and rental considerations, safety and the decaying Cubberley buildings. It was the object for all candidates and the discussion to help those present at the meeting and on-line to narrow down their choices. Whether it did so is hard for your reporter to judge.

All the candidates showed serious and caring interest in serving the citizens of Palo Alto in responsible ways.

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS

Greeters: **Stans Kleinjen, Joop Verbaken**

Welcome Desk: **Katie Seedman**

A/V: **Dana Tom**

Microphones: **Kathy Torgersen**

Pinion Writer: **Geoff Ziman**

Pinion Editor: **Ginny Lear**

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

August 30 5:30-7:30 pm	TGIF; Homewood Suites 3429 El Camino Real, PA
September 2 NO MEETING POST FLAGS on University Avenue	Post flags on University Ave. 8 a.m. meet at Cowper 5 p.m. meet at High St
September 9 12:15-1:30pm Club Meeting	Gina Dalma, EVP, Community Action, Silicon Valley Foundation Hispanic Heritage
September 16 12:15-1:30pm Club Meeting	Jill Duerig, District Governor, 2024-2025 Our Rotary District 5170
September 23 12:15-1:30pm Club Meeting	Sam Liccardo, Evan Low Candidates for US Congress, District 16, Moderator Henrietta Burroughs, Journalist
September 30 12:15-1:30pm Club Meeting	3 Long Time Member talks Introduced by Jim Sutherland
October 5 & 6 Mitchell Park	Inaugural Rotary Pickleball Tournament: Open to All Details to follow.



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FROM COURT TO COMMUNITY

PALO ALTO ROTARY'S INAUGURAL PICKLEBALL FUNDRAISER TOURNAMENT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PALO ALTO PICKLEBALL CLUB

Proceeds will go to the Rotary Annual Charity Fund to support local needs



REGISTER NOW

OCT 5-OCT 6, 2024



Mitchell Park
600 E Meadow Dr.
Palo Alto, CA

*Register and
more
information at*

pickleballbrackets.com



Palo Alto Rotary Pickleball Tournament by PIG



EVENT SCHEDULE	
Saturday 10/5	Mens Doubles
Saturday 10/5	Womens Doubles
Sunday 10/6	Mixed Doubles
REGISTRATION	
Early	\$50+\$15/ event through Aug.
Standards	\$65+15/event through Sept 14
Late	\$80+\$15/ event through Oct 6
2 Divisions (Fun / Intermediate)	

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