



The Rotoscope

of the San Marino, California, Rotary Club



Events

January 28th

[Club Meeting: 4-way speech contest](#)

February 4th

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February 11th

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February 18th

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San Marino Rotary Club Rotoscope for January 28, 2021

THE SPEECH COMPETITION is a go! GINNY HSIAO will welcome our student speakers next week. Ginny will facilitate the annual four-way speech competition remotely on January 28th. Show your support for our students and attend the meeting. The winner of our club event will go on to the district competition.

IF YOU HAVEN'T HEARD, the Chili contest is not really a contest. There's going to be more sampling this year. The Chili Cook Off will take place on February 18th. Four chili makers will include the Fire Department, Juliennes Restaurant, the Police Department, and one Rotarian. Mitch Lehman will host the remote event this year. If you would like to judge yourself which chili is best, you will need to plan to pick it up. The pick up is at Stephanie Johnson ♦s (she ♦s running the show this year) on the 18th, for a two hour window before the meeting. The address is 1920 Los Robles Ave, and we are to pick up our lunches from Montroble Place. Remember, safety precautions will be taken into account when preparing food.

PAUL BRASSARD continues to be an exemplary rotarian. His support may not be as noticeable this year because we are not meeting in person, but Paul has been our secretary taking copious and careful notes for Board Meetings. This is much appreciated as he helped to keep all of us on track. Paul has also taken on the job of planning the start of every regular rotary meeting; Paul organizes and schedules the invocations, the flag salute, and more. Moreover, Paul jumped in to make sure our Dan Stover music competition will take place this year too. Paul has stepped up and we all should take notice.

TAKE NOTICE of our student of the month. Charis Chung, from San Marino High, accepted the honor last week, and talked graciously about her volunteer work, activities, sports, and academics. She is eagerly awaiting admission to either M.I.T. or Wellesley... not too shabby! The Titan was introduced by Principal Jason Kurtenbach, with Superintendent, Dr. Jeff Wilson and other dignitaries in attendance.

ATTENDANCE IS ESSENTIAL to successful meetings and for continued fellowship. It is important to stay in contact with each other. Read the President's message from the December Rotary Magazine. Rotary International President, Holger Knaack noted the importance of "reaching out" to one another in this difficult time. Many are at home alone. Kannck talked about "removing obstacles" and creating ways "to connect." We all should do our best to lend a hand to those who might need help connecting remotely. Consider reaching out to a rotarian you haven't heard from for a while.

A LETTER FROM PARIS...BILL PAYNE IS STAYING CONNECTED with our Global Scholar. See letter form Anna Enger:

Dear Rotary Team,



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I am happy to confirm that I am in Paris with my first semester completed successfully. The academic experience was interesting, to say the least, given that all of our classes were online. Although my peers, professors and I all struggled with the format, I felt a mutual understanding and support from everyone that truly amazed me, especially since we represent such a wide variety of nationalities, and because I only had the opportunity to meet a few of them in person.

*One class in particular, called **◆The EU Facing the World◆s Challenges,◆** provided me with invaluable knowledge on a subject that I have no background in. I knew very little about the inner workings of the European Union as a governing institution prior to this semester. However, I learned a lot, and I even had the opportunity to deliver a speech on sustainable economic development as a representative of the Nordic countries. Given that I will be studying in Europe for at least the next year and a half, at an incredibly transformative and important time for economic development, this course provided me with the lens for understanding what is going on around me, and how I might contribute to it. Even more, my professor in that class just happens to be a former prime minister of Italy!*

*Next fall, my classmates and I will spend the semester either studying abroad, completing an internship, or writing a master **◆s** thesis. After discussing different ideas with my friends and my academic advisors, I decided to take advantage of the academic resources at Sciences Po to write a thesis. Broadly speaking, I will conduct research on youth participation in urban development. Having spent years as a YMCA youth & government volunteer with young people in South Pasadena, I believe our young leaders have much to offer for our sustainable economic transformation, and I believe we should nurture their avenues for participating in democracy. My philosophy is that a city that is safe and healthy for children is a sustainable, equitable, and democratic city for everyone. My idea is still quite broad, so I will be spending the month of January and my free time next semester narrowing down my research questions. I will report back with my research plan as soon as it has taken shape!*

*On a more personal note, I have been lucky to make good friends despite the circumstances with the pandemic. One of my best friends here is from Brazil, and she works for the Portuguese delegation to UNESCO conducting education policy research. I **◆ve** also made friends with classmates from Italy, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Spain, Japan, and Chicago. My peers are all engaged in interesting international development focus areas, and most of them have already studied in different countries. They have made me feel at home in the international student community.*

Finally, I had the privilege of attending a Rotary Paris meeting in September, before the new lockdown in France began. I was welcomed warmly, and I look forward to the opportunity to attend more events in the future, when it is safe to do so.

Sincerely,

Anna McClelland-Enger

*Some classmates and I on a weekend trip in Normandy (left to right): Drake (Chicago), Maia (Japan), Oll **◆n** (New Zealand), Paige (California), Laurent (Spain), me, and St **◆phanie** (Brazil)*



Upcoming Programs:

January 28th: Four Way Speech Content

February 4th: Craft Talks from Dr. Mike Lin, and Devon Corlew.