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MARCH 14 RECAP Paul Harris Fellow Recognition Luncheon at the Huntington

All the meticulous planning by the Foundation Committee over the past year resulted in a flawless event. The elegant banquet hall was filled with approximately 160 guests. Huntington president Karen Lawrence filled us in on the latest improvements to the Huntington grounds, including the Japanese Heritage Shoya House and the restored Rose Garden Tea Room. Honoree Mei-Lee Ney spent most of her talk mentioning the many distinguished guests in the audience before briefly recounting her story of being a young immigrant from China, living in the U.S. with a single mom, hustling to earn spending money, and then working in data entry in a finance company which led to her career in asset management. We know that she also has a remarkable record of philanthropy and leadership on prestigious boards, including Otis College, Huntington Library, and the USC Pacific Asia Museum.

Keynote Speaker and Rotary International Global Grant Scholar Anna Enger, a SMHS graduate, talked about her time studying at an international graduate school in France with other students from around the world. She learned the importance of combining international perspective and resources with local leaders and practices. She is now working with the youth in government programs at the South Pasadena/San Marino YMCA.



MARCH 21 PROGRAM: TITAN ROBOTICS

SMHS has a strong robotics program, thanks to school district and private funding. Come see a demonstration of some of their creations and hear about how they go about their craft. Bill Payne arranged this interesting program.

MARCH 10 Lunar New Year in Lacy Park

Although delayed twice because of rainy weather, the Lunar New Year celebration on March 10 was a remarkable success for the City of San Marino. And our Rotary Club was a big part of it. Thanks to the diligent work of Fang Ho and Fary Yassamy, we were able to host a busy booth and also provide volunteers for other areas of the event.



LAST CALL FOR “CRUISE TO SERVICE”

There are only a few Rotary cabins remaining for the first annual Rotary District 5300 Mexico Cruise on June 21-24. Join the group of San Marino Rotarians and spouses who have already signed up for this special cruise. The Sunday excursion in Mexico will involve a hands-on service project. Go to the district 5300 [website](#) to reserve your spot before March 31st.

Help Rotary recruit peace and development leaders

Applications for the 2025 [Rotary Peace Fellowships](#) are open until 15 May.

We can help promote peace in the world by encouraging peace and development leaders in our community to apply for the Rotary Peace Fellowship.

Each year, Rotary awards up to 130 fully funded fellowships for peacebuilders from diverse backgrounds to study at one of our peace centers located at leading universities around the world. This year, weTMll select 50 peace fellows to study in our [masterTMs degree programs](#) at six partner universities in Asia, Australia, Europe, and the United States and 80 fellows to earn postgraduate diplomas through our [professional development certificate programs](#) at Makerere University in Uganda and Bahçeşehir University in Turkey.

Rotary Peace Fellows use their training to amplify their work at the local, regional, or global level. Together, we can advance peace by encouraging our local peacebuilders to learn about Rotary and apply for this unique fellowship.

But we need your help finding candidates. Rotary and Rotaract members can get

involved by:

- Using our [referral form](#) so potential candidates can receive more information and apply

Candidates have until **15 May** to [submit applications](#) to The Rotary Foundation.

To learn more about how you can recruit the next generation of peace fellows, contact Denise Wadsworth Email: dwadsworth@smusd.us or write to rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org.

Upcoming Schedule (Invite a friend)

Mar 28 RYLA Students

Apr 4 Rotary Readers, Mary Ulin

Apr 11 Craft Talks

Apr 18 Titan Business Plans, Isaac Hung
