

San Marino Rotoscope May 16, 2024



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ROTSCOPE

Written by Paul Brassard

May 9 RECAP COMMUNITY GRANTS RECIPIENTS Michelle Cox

Over 75 people filled the fellowship hall as 22 non-profit organizations were awarded over \$30,000 in grants from Rotary Charities, including Beacon Housing, Beat the Streets-Los Angeles, Cancer Support Community Pasadena, Convalescent Aid Society, Crowell Public Library, Door of Hope, East Meets West Parent Education Club, Elizabeth House, Families Forward Learning, Friends in Deed, Give Mentor Love, Institute for the Redesign of Learning, JRAY, Lincoln Heights Tutorial Program, Pasadena Village, San Marino Historical Society, South Pasadena San Marino YMCA, The Friends of Michael White Adobe, The Frostig Center, Huntington Library, Villa Esperanza Services, and Young and Healthy. Many thanks to committee chairs Michelle Cox and Fred Sohl and members Nicole Basseri, Michael Rizzo, Jean Brodhead, Wayne Carter, Lois Derry, Qing Duncan, Grant Fujiwara, John Jones, Chuck Miller and Wally Rosvall.



TITAN VOLLEYBALL Tony Chou

City Councilman (and Rotarian) Tony Chou has been coaching the boys'™ volleyball team at San Marino High School for 12 years. This year they have been remarkably successful and are competing for the championship. Like many of the teams here in San Marino, they enjoy the support of devoted boosters and parents, such as Lisa Wang. Go Blue!





STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

San Marino High School principal Dr. Ben Wolf brought two more "students of the month" to the meeting.

--Samantha Chang is director of the Titan Media Arts Team. Her team has produced 31 weekly episodes about activities at the school. A senior, she plans to attend college in Long Beach.

--Caroline Louie is president of the Titan speech and debate team and also active in ASB and GSA. She plans to attend Northeastern University and pursue a law degree.





MORE BLUE BADGES

Mara Chindris and Jason Ramos were awarded blue badges signifying their completion of club orientation and volunteer assignments. In addition to matching San Marino High School colors (Go Blue!) the badges also confer valuable economic benefits. Take your blue badge to Starbucks and—along with a nominal fee of \$3.25—you can receive a tall coffee.



MAY 16 MEETING: The Los Angeles River Master Plan

Genevieve Osmeña, Civil Engineer, Los Angeles County Public Works
The Los Angeles River, which spans 51 miles from Canoga Park to Long Beach and encompasses 2,300 acres of primarily publicly owned land, serves as an integral piece of daily life across LA County. The LA River Master Plan is an update of the LA County 1996 LA River Master Plan and incorporates new research and data to inform the plan from start to finish. The Master Plan will improve funding opportunities in a coordinated and collaborative manner with consideration for each community along the river's path. Over the next 60 days, the draft will be circulated for public comment. Our speaker today is a Senior Civil Engineer for the Storm water Planning Division. She has worked for the County of Los Angeles since 2000, and in her current role, she is the watershed manager for the Upper LA River Watershed area in which she oversees long term multi-benefit planning for the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. Many thanks to Bill Payne for bringing us this program.

A FESTIVE DINNER OF INDIA AWAITS YOU --RSVP Required--

Our spring social event will feature the delicious Cuisine of India, including appetizers, main courses, beverages, and dessert. Moreover, it will be enjoyed in the beautiful backyard of President Barbara's home in the San Rafael area of Pasadena. Cost is only \$25, but you must RSVP to Dennis (dkneier@socal.rr.com) by May 20th. When you RSVP, you need to indicate if you want Dennis to charge your credit card on file or if you will pay at the door. RSVP no shows will be billed.

LAST CALL -- District Training Assembly & Foundation Gala

Receive a full day of learning, fellowship, and entertainment on Saturday, May 18th at the Sheraton Fairplex Hotel & Conference Center, Pomona, CA. The training starts at 10:00 am, with lunch from 12:15 to 1:25, which will feature the 4-Way Speech contest winner.

In the evening, there is a Foundation Gala to honor Rotary Foundation Donors. The reception starts at 5:45. The dinner will also feature the winner of the Dan Stover Music Contest. Register on the district5300.org website. Fellow club members Mike Driebe and Gilda Moshir will have prominent roles at this event. Talk to Paul if you are interested in carpooling for this event.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule (Invite a friend)

May 23 DARK for lunch. Evening meeting at the Bice Backyard, RSVP required.

May 30 DARK, Memorial Day

June 6 Ryan Clinton, USMA Class of 2005, Captain, Ret., 20th annual Salute to the Service Academy Appointees.

June

Jun 13 Lena Richter and Michael Rizzo - new member Craft Talks

Jun 19 Lena Kitcher and Michael Rizzo, new member share talks
Jun 20 Marilyn Diaz, Sierra Madre Rotarian, Rotoplasty, Mission to Bangladesh
Jun 27 Rob Feidler, Demotion of President Barbara Bice, Rose Bowl Press Box,
reservations required.
Jul 4 DARK, Fourth of July Holiday
Jul 11 Paul Brassard, President's first meeting, "My Plans for Our Continued Success"

Other Notable Dates

May 18 District Assembly and Foundation Dinner in Pomona
May 28 Taste of South Pasadena
