

Rotary


















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Montebello Boasts A Big Band: The Wiseguys!

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Wiseguys Lead Vocalist Frank Barajas

The Rotary learned the history of Montebello's Wiseguys. As a Montebello Intermediate School student, Frank Barajas helped form what would become the Wiseguys Big Band Machine. Frank, his brother, and other Montebello High School students began with a pep band of sorts. The guys would visit Montebello homes with Christmas spirit and play festive music.

That was 1989.

Frank no longer plays the tuba. He is the lead singer of our city's official Big Band. The full-size band includes 18 pieces including saxophones, trombones, trumpets, guitar, bass, keyboard/piano, and drums.

The Wiseguys always give back to the community. More than thirty years ago, the band began offering scholarships. The band donates to city programs such as meals for senior citizens.

You Can Help – And Have A Great Time!

The Wiseguys invite you to a fundraiser Sunday, October 30 at Steven's Steak House in Commerce. The buffet begins at 1 p.m. The band plays from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Purchase [ticket online](#) for \$30 each.

From Swing to Swank, The Wiseguys Big Band Machine is dedicated to keeping great music alive. The Wiseguys feature a screamin' horn line, talented vocalist, exciting soloists, and a roarin' rhythm section. Their repertoire includes the swingin' vocal tunes of Frank Sinatra, Bobby Darin, Dean Martin, and big band favorites from Glenn Miller, Pérez Prado, Count Basie, and Buddy Rich. If you caught their show you know The Wiseguys keep audiences on the dance floor with their Big Band Vegas Sound... BET ON IT!

For more information about gigs go to the wiseguysband.com.

Birthdays



[Betty Peralta](#)
September 21st



[Ranieh F. Hassan](#)
October 11th



[Edward L. Franco](#)
October 17th