



The Rotoscope

of the San Marino, California, Rotary Club



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San Marino Rotary Rotoscope for March 22, 2021

MARCH MADNESS- if you haven't been living under a rock, you tuned into the March basketball tournament. Hopefully your brackets are in good shape after a weekend of upsets. The PAC 12 teams continue to fare better than expected. The odds are good of at least one west coast team to make it to the final four. Can you say Gonzaga?

MUSIC MADNESS- we had our own elite 8 (eight) competitors from surrounding schools for our recent Dan Stover Music Competition. That may seem like a big number but our competitors were all prepared and ready to play thanks to the good planning of Paul Brassard. Paul prepared our judges, one of whom was a past winner of the Dan Stover Competition. Melissa Brassard (Paul and Annie's daughter) judged the contest, along with Pamela Lee. Both offered their perspectives while listening and watching our (8) competitors.

MUSICIANS who competed included Nathaniel Chen Oboe from LACHSA, Danielle Tsai Violin from Flintridge Prep, 3rd place winner Camille Gutierrez-Piano from Monrovia H.S., 2nd Prize Winner Carolyn Tao Flute from SMHS, and First Place Nicole Lam Piano from LACHSA.

JUDGE-Pamela Lee is a national certified teacher of music from the Music Teachers' National Association. She earned her Master of Music degree in Piano Performance. Previously she taught piano classes at Cal State Long Beach and now maintains a private piano studio in Los Angeles. Her students have received numerous awards including first places in various prestigious competitions.

JUDGE- Melissa Brassard began her studies at the age of 5. Melissa is an accomplished soloist, accompanist, and chamber musician in the Los Angeles area. Currently, she attends the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, studying piano performance with Alvin Chow and organ performance with Jonathan William Moyer. Melissa's accomplishments include being the recipient of the Music Teachers' Association of California's Memorial Music Scholarship, a three time winner of the Dan Stover Music Contest at the club level and a finalist of the 2016 Dan Stover Competition, and a recipient of the Colburn Merit Scholarship.

REQUEST from Katie Dunham (katie@katedunham.net)-

Hi there! I'm working with USC professor William Deverell on his new book about Kathy Fiscus, the little girl who fell down a San Marino well in 1949, inspiring the first-ever live, breaking TV news event in U.S. history. Spectrum News is currently working on a story about the book and is looking to speak to someone who was in San Marino at the time and remembers the events surrounding the tragedy. Would the Rotary Club happen to have any members that might have been around at the time and would be willing to talk to the Spectrum producer today? I know it's short notice, but we had to try. Many thanks! Club Number District Number.



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CRITICAL INFORMATION from-Jason Kurtenbach, San Marino High School Principal: If you or someone you know could benefit from mental health services please reach out to us and consider these resources. The National Suicide Hotline 1-800-273-8255. San Marino families can get additional support in finding mental health services through Care Solace at www.caresolace.com/smusdfamilies. The California Parent and Youth Helpline provides support and resource referrals to parent and youth, 7-days a week from 8 - 8 at 1-855-427-2736 or <https://caparentyouthhelpline.org/>

MARK LIANG RECEIVES ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP TO CAMBRIDGE- Rotary International announced that San Marino High School Class 2015 graduate, Mark Liang, has received a Global Grant Scholarship. The scholarship is for graduate studies in the MPhil Health, Medicine and Society program at Cambridge University (UK) beginning this October. Mark's interests align with Rotary's Disease Prevention and Treatment area of focus. The scholarship has a value of \$31,000.

At Cambridge, Mark plans to study the ways immigrants are disproportionately affected by disease when crossing borders and geographic boundaries. He expects to work extensively with the health organizations at Cambridge and the United Kingdom, extending the work he already has been doing in the United States.

During high school, Mark volunteered at the Motor Classic as an Eagle Scout selling tickets, participated in Interact, and helped build the Rotary float for the Tournament of Roses Parade.

He graduated from Brown University in 2019, magna cum laude, with degrees in Biology and STS (Science, Technology and Society). He was a former Fulbright Scholar, to Macau, China. He is currently taking a gap year, working as an Analyst at the Kaiser Permanente Bernard J. Tyson School of Medicine in Pasadena. He has deferred medical school for a year to take this scholarship. His host is the Cambridge Rotary Club, in District 1080. It is expected that Mark will speak at various club meetings, attend their district conference and generally be a resource to Rotarians and their programs while abroad.

The Rotary Club of San Marino is his sponsor, having now had 30 of its nominees for the Ambassadorial, now Global Grant Scholarship, accepted by Rotary International. He found out about the scholarship through an article in the Tribune newspaper about previous Global Grant scholar, Jacqueline Chen, a fellow Titan classmate who received her Masters from Oxford.

Each year, the San Marino Rotary Club seeks to identify a global grant applicant, one who desires to further his/her education abroad, for a Masters or Doctorate degree, and whose coursework and extra-curricular activities align with one or more of Rotary's Areas of Focus: Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution; Disease Prevention and Treatment; Water and Sanitation; Maternal and Child Health; Basic education and Literacy; and/or Economic and Community Development.

Applicants are interviewed on the Club and District level, in person if possible, but by Zoom/Skype if necessary. Thank you, BILL PAYNE.

LOCAL HERO- You'll recall that our Club hosted a Welcome Home luncheon for San Marino resident and Army Ranger Ollie Campbell some months ago. Ollie had been shot four times while on a night patrol for a high-value target in

Afghanistan, and was miraculously saved by Army medics, in the air and at Walter Reed Hospital.

The update on this local hero, just reported by his Dad, Oliver, is that Ollie is not only graduating this May from Dartmouth, but has been accepted to UCLA Medical School, and given a full-ride Geffen Scholarship.

From average student in high school but terrific football player, to graduation from an Ivy League college and acceptance to a major medical school—quite a life-altering journey for this mild mannered Clark Kent—given a second chance!
Written by Bill Payne.

PROGRAM NEWS FROM JP MAINGUY:

May 13 - Community Grants presentation organized by Michelle Cox (this is replacing the Mini-Grants presentation which will be moved to next year)

May 20 - New Members Craft Talks as requested by Gilda and Molly (this replaces the SMHS Robotics Team presentation also moved to next year)

June 17 - Sean Diaz & Daisy Wilson, presidents Little League San Marino and District 17 will give an update on the Little League programs (the presentation from Caltech President Dr. Rosenbaum is cancelled)

THIS WEEK- PROGRAM-Mark Langill is the Team Historian of the Los Angeles Dodgers. A member of the front office since 1994, Langill previously covered the ballclub for the Pasadena Star-News for five seasons. The South Pasadena resident and Cal State Northridge graduate has written six books about the franchise. He has also appeared on such documentaries as ESPN's 30-for-30 "Fernando Nation" and PBS SoCal's "Dodger Stories: 60 Years in Los Angeles.

TAKE NOTE- We are dark on April 1st!