



The Rotoscope

of the San Marino, California, Rotary Club



Events

February 2018

02/01 - Luncheon Meeting:
CORAZON: PAST AND PRESENT
02/08 - ROTARY ON THE TOWN
02/09 - Board of Directors Meeting
- San Marino Rotary Club
02/15 - Luncheon Meeting:
FRIENDS OF SAN GABRIEL
MISSION PLAYHOUSE

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February 1st, 2018

BUILDING ANOTHER TOWN HOUSE IN ONE DAY - WITH YOUR HELP

(And be sure to read down at the bottom about three good friends who are also asking your help)

WE'RE JOINING AGAIN WITH SOUTH PAS ROTARY in another "CORAZON" house-building-in-a-day on Saturday, April 28th, to help a family in Tecate, just over the line into Baja. "Corazon" is a superb program and a fine experience. For some years they find a site, pour a concrete slab, and invite volunteers to join in assembling a pre-cut house in a busy but happy day. Rotary Clubs often provide volunteer teams, but San Marino has been slow to join. My son and I went for a day's build back in 1982, and some years later Tim Harrigan went, but until last year we couldn't lure other San Marino Rotarians to give a day. Now Jean-Pierre Mainguy chairs our half of a team, splitting the \$7,800 cost of the materials with South Pasadena Rotary, whose Corazon co-chair Dan Watson forms our program this Thursday to show what a quarter of our membership were able to accomplish a few months ago. Dan and Jean-Pierre hope to entice you - of any age or construction talents - to come along with your children, grandchildren, friends this April and build a house that Saturday.

THERE'S NO LUNCH MEETING on Thursday the 8th, but at six that evening Rotarians and guests who've reserved places will gather at the award-winning MALBEC restaurant on Green Street, just under two blocks east of Lake near Catalina. Malbec is the outstanding French grape that has flourished in the Argentine foothills of the Andes, crafted today into the best of Argentine wines. So Malbec Restaurant - and our February 8th night on the town - is an Argentine feast, with homemade salads and pastas and especially with grilled meats and fish. Grace Yang, Michelle Cox, and all our social committee hope you'll bring someone you love and appreciate - your spouse, partner, friends - and enjoy the feast along with a toast of the Argentine red or white of your choice. Considering the three courses and atmosphere, the price with gratuities and tax is modest, thanks to Grace's social skills. Enjoy!

PRESIDENT DENISE SAYS the February 14th career day, organized by Linda Wah at Huntington Middle School, is fully staffed, with many thanks to Rotarians and other professionals who have volunteered to come and help introduce their work to the students.

BIG CHIEF JOHN HAS SPROUTED lush growth on his upper lip. Wonder if he's noticed that it's come in grey? Looks pretty good too, unless he starts twirling the ends of it.

BROADWAY COMES TO SAN MARINO! The All School Musical at SMHS is here: Fiddler on the Roof opens this weekend. On Sunday, January 28 and Thursday, February 1st, Students can attend for free. All other nights students from any school can get tickets for \$5 and adults \$15. Shows are at 7pm except on Sunday the 28th it's a 2pm matinee. Don't miss this amazing show!!

SIX OF SHODY CHOW'S INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE - J-P Mainguy.



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Rob Feidler, Fang Ho, James Nash, Grace Yang, and Mazi Yarahmady – took a day last week to make the rain-delayed trip to meet with Tijuana Independencia Rotary members and see the progress with our project there. Here is Shody's report:

THE WATER AND SANITATION PROJECT at the kindergarten was initiated in January 2016 and has just been completed. The kindergarten is located on a small hill and does not have running water or sewage access. Water has been delivered by truck weekly and was stored in a small tank above the bathroom, not suitable for drinking. Our global grant project of about \$38,000 involved the construction of two water tanks with a capacity of 1,600 gallons and 240 gallons. There is a complete water purification system attached to the small tank, while water in the large tank is for general use for the bathrooms and the automatic drip irrigation system. A perimeter wall was built to prevent goats and other animals from entering the school compound and eating the vegetation.

THE GOAL FOR UPGRADING the school is to provide a dignified and safe place for the education of the children. It will teach them at an early age to take care of the surroundings and their belongings. This positive attitude will benefit them as well as their families and friends. The teachers and children will learn how to maintain the school premises and the parents are usually involved as well. Additionally, 90 Spanish books were donated to the kindergarten as part of our readers' program.

THE TIJUANA SOCCER FIELD PROJECT was only recently approved by Rotary International as a global grant with a budget of \$134,000. It will not only provide the 900 students at Angela Peralta Elementary School located in a marginalized part of Tijuana the opportunity to the use of an improved sports field, but also the 1,500 families living in the area to a healthy coexistence through sports and community activities. This project falls within Rotary's focus on peace and conflict prevention and resolution.

THE SCHOOL DOES NOT HAVE modern infrastructure commonly found in many other areas in Tijuana. There is an open field that the students and the population in the surrounding area use as a sports field. The field is of pure dirt and does not have any toilets or sanitary installations. During the weekends, the field is used for different sport events, such as their inter-colonial soccer championships. Our project consists of providing a sports field including an athletic track with an adequate drainage system to maintain the play area to be dry and mud-free during the raining season, and adding bathrooms and a small store to generate income for the maintenance of the field. Bleachers and synthetic turf will be added. The number of direct and indirect beneficiaries is estimated to be between 5,000 and 6,000.

BY ALLOWING THE GENERAL POPULATION to use the sports field, there will be little vandalism as the neighbors and inhabitants in general will take care of the appearance and the integrity of the school. The project will promote healthy coexistence among the inhabitants of the area through sports and community activities and achieve an atmosphere of peace and cordiality between the neighbors of the low income suburbs. We are hoping to complete the soccer field project by late 2018.
–Shody Chow

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THREE FRIENDS

GENE DRYDEN SUFFERED A STROKE last week and is at Huntington, but of course with no visitors or phones. Ann and Gene welcome your prayers, and perhaps you might send a note or card to them at 2500 Cumberland Road, San Marino.

CAL AND KAREN TAYLOR'S granddaughter Kayleigh, the beautiful 16-year-old daughter of Cal Jr. and his wife, suffered a seizure at her school in Oregon. Kayleigh is hospitalized, Bill Payne reports, and the Taylors need and appreciate your prayers.

BOB TWIST IS IN BATTLE WITH CANCER at City of Hope. Bob beat it a few years ago, and behind his gentle smile we know our former mayor and good friend has great strength and can triumph again, with our helpful prayers for Nancy and Bob.

February 8th – next Thursday noon we DON'T meet for lunch.
Next Thursday, 6 p.m., is our “Night Out” at Malbec in Pasadena

February 15th – restoring the façade of the historic Mission Playhouse