



The Rotoscope

of the San Marino, California, Rotary Club



Events

January 2018

01/25 - Luncheon Meeting: MY FIRST 100 DAYS

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

JANUARY 25, 2018

DR. ISSAIC GATES: The First 100 Days at SMHS

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ISSAIC GATES STEPPED INTO Mary Johnson's principal position and has weathered his first 100 days at San Marino High School, and he reports to us this Thursday on how he's finding the whirl of academics, athletics, and activities in one of California's if not the nation's top-performing schools. From the Class of 2018's college applications through Titan sports and fascinating classes, Issaic will share his pride in what he's seeing and his thoughts on enhancing his student body and faculty's experiences. Of course, he will welcome your questions on how he sees both today's students and staff.

YES, ISSAIC IS CORRECT, and if your spell-check software disagrees and red-lines the name, tell your computer to get with it. Dr. Gates' three-syllable first name is a first for SMHS and Rotary. So was "Veronda" the first non-northern-European minority name in the San Marino school district and in San Marino Rotary. But we minorities know we are very welcome.

AND NOW FOR SOME SUPER-IMPORTANT LAST-MINUTE JOBS FOR YOU:

TIJUANA TRIP IS THIS TUESDAY, JANUARY 23. We've heard from Will Bortz that it was scheduled from earlier this month, but will be leaving the Community Church parking lot at 7:00 a.m. Tuesday. We understand Jean-Pierre Mainguy is leading the "Charities" visit, and should you want to go, get in touch with him right away. Most important for all planning to go: Don't forget your Passport or CPB Land-Border Crossing Card, or you'll be staying in Mexico for some time! (It's easy to get in, impossible to get back ... at least until the Federal shut-down is over.)

ROOM RATES ON THE QUEEN MARY GO UP WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, for the Foundation Gala aboard on February 24th, celebrating Thirty Years of Women in Rotary (well, plus those good extra years beforehand with Sylvia Whitlock and other secret female members in Duarte Rotary – and past district governor Sylvia will be there the 2rd too!).

VALENTINE DINNER DEADLINE IS THIS THURSDAY, JANUARY 25. All are welcome at Malbec's Argentine, 1001 East Green Street, Pasadena, (corner of Catalina, with street or valet parking), but payment of \$55 for members, \$65 for spouses and other guests, need be made NOW to Michelle Cox in person Thursday or by mail c/o Villa Esperanza.

MINI-GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE ALSO DUE JANUARY 25th, Michelle adds. The forms have now been posted on the club's web site. Remember these are for local non-profit groups seeking help with specific projects. Last year some 54 applications were received by our club, and 27 were funded.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE APRIL GCE ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 26. R.I.'s "Group Cultural Exchange" program is a variation of the former "Group Study Exchange". Mike Driebe will be escorting four GCE team members to Eastern India from April 1st through st



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... Participants must be professionals or newly graduated from 21 to 30 years old (upper age reduced by ten years since the old GSE days). Meanwhile our district and club will be hosting five GCA team members from India over the same month.

ALL RATHER LAST MINUTE – but Rotary rolls along.

SECRETARY PAUL BRASSARD’S MINUTES for last Thursday’s board meeting include three more pieces of news:

--THE “RISE AGAINST HUNGER” Christmas party, in conjunction with the Chinese Club of San Marino, more than met its goal of raising \$7500 for meals to be packaged and sent this spring. A “profit” of \$3000 will be added, so that \$10,500 worth of foods can be purchased.

--THE PROPOSED CENTER FOR VETERANS at PCC has not developed as planned, so that our “Charities” donation of \$15,000 is returning to our funding other projects. Meanwhile, members donated an additional \$1700 to the center, and our board asked treasurer Dennis to write those donors for instruction on what to do with these unused funds.

--AND TREASURER DENNIS REPORTED that yes indeed, we’re close to being right on budget, with \$60,000 on hand to feed us, pay our rent, and enjoy the rest of this Rotary year.

ROTSOCPE HAS HEARD NOTHING OFFICIAL in asking about other upcoming programs and projects, particularly our annual competitions for youth. A few answers have come from the upcoming program schedule and from president Denise’s special bulletins – and if Denise or anyone can fill in the other blanks below, we’d like to share the news with members:

--PRESIDENT DENISE NEEDS volunteers to read the middle and high school essays in that contest, though we’ve not yet learned this year’s topic or how students may apply. If you are willing to be a judge, please let Denise know. Dates given are March 4th-6th. Our local winners’ entries go on to district award consideration.

--THE ANNUAL STUDENT ART CONTEST is on the program list for April 12th, so we presume it’s a go. Please let us and the schools know what categories are to be judged this year, who is chairing the event, and how entries are to be submitted.

--THE ANNUAL MUSIC CONTEST or the FOUR WAY SPEECH CONTEST aren’t on the program list – Denise or others, please let us know what’s happening.

---DENISE WRITES OF A NEED FOR volunteers to join Greg Johansing at this year’s RYLA weekend March 16th -18th, so that must be a ‘go’ also. The district requires volunteers to attend special training, and Greg seems to be the guy who’ll give those dates and places. Bother him. He needs to be put to work before he becomes our president in 2019-2020 and doesn’t have to do anything.

January 25th: Issaic’s report on his first semester at San Marino High

February 1st: “Corazon” homebuilding-in-a-day

February 8th: We’ve not heard if there will be a lunch meeting, but

THERE’S DINNER AT MALBEC PASADENA THAT NIGHT

for you and your Valentine ...

BUT ONLY IF YOU ACT QUICKLY AND PAY BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 25th