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San Marino Rotoscope March 6, 2025



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President's Corner

Written by Paul Brassard

VALERIA AND SAM An Enchanted Evening

It's always a pleasure to be invited to the beautiful Kneier residence in San Marino where the hospitality is first rate. But this evening was extra special because we could all feel the love of the newlywed couple and share in their happiness. Sam is a tall, handsome native of nearby La Canada. His parents attended the celebration. His father, a Stanford man, shared his experience as president of his high school's Interact club some 50 years ago. He credits the experience with helping him get accepted to Stanford. After cutting the wedding cake, Dennis presented the couple with a check for \$2500, donated by San Marino Rotarians. We thank Dennis and Liz for opening their home, paying for all the delicious food and drink we enjoyed and, most of all, for arranging for us to share in the happiness of the occasion.



MARCH 6 PROGRAM: ROTARY DAN STOVER MUSIC CONTEST

Come this Thursday with a desire to be thoroughly entertained. The contest chair, Georg Eittinger, has assembled a field of outstanding musicians to dazzle us as they compete for prize money.

KYLE DUNCAN Rest in Peace

It is with deep sadness that I share the news of the unexpected loss of a cherished member of the San Marino Rotary family. Qing Duncan's husband and partner of 36 years, Kyle Duncan (1963-2025), passed away last week. Kyle is well known to all of us from his frequent participation in our

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programs and social events. Kyle is survived by his wife Qing and their two children Joshua and Megan. Kyle was beloved in San Marino, particularly for his passionate support of the performing arts. In recent years, Kyle and Qing enjoyed traveling to exotic foreign countries. On Facebook you can find many photos of these travels and family gatherings. A full service will be announced soon.

GINNY HSIAO IS BACK FROM PETS

She's tan, she's rested, and now she is trained to take the reins come July 1st. In preparation, Ginny recently attended the 3-day Southwest PETS training at the LAX Marriot hotel, along with 44 other PE's from our district and countless PE's from other districts. Around 800 people were there in total, along with Mike Driebe and Gilda Moshir who had prominent roles as District Governor and Governor-elect respectively. Thank you, Ginny, for taking the time and effort to prepare yourself to lead our club.

SPEECH CONTEST – REGIONAL LEVEL AT SOUTH PAS HIGH SCHOOL

The Rotary 4-Way Speech contest moved to the next level last week. Our region's competition was held at South Pasadena High School where SPHS student Roman Camarda edged out William Samara from San Marino High School. Roman Camarda will move onto the Final's competition at the District Conference at Disneyland in April. As you know, Ginny Hsiao oversees the 4-Way Speech Contest for District 5300.





ROTARY ROSE PARADE FLOAT Become an Individual Ambassador

Each year Rotary sponsors a float in the Tournament of Roses parade. And usually, it is an award-winning float. As a Rotarian, if you contribute \$500 or more to the float effort, you can become a Float Ambassador. You must pledge to advocate for support (monetary or volunteer time) for 2025 Float at any District, ZONE or other RI event that their members might attend.

Individuals who join will get:

- A Personalized RRPFC Jacket
- A patch of the current year's Float
- The annual theme pin
- An official RRPFC hat in blue or yellow
- Entry to a drawing for a club member (or other designated Rotarian over 18) to be a rider on that year's float. The drawing is on the 2nd Saturday of October.

Upcoming Program and Event Schedule (Invite a Friend)

Mar 6 Contestants, Dan Stover Music Competition

Mar 13 Annual Foundation Luncheon, Huntington Library, RSVP Required

Mar 20 Danny Feldman, Pasadena Playhouse, What's New at the Playhouse

Mar 27 Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) Delegate Presentations

Apr 3 Barth Scholarships and Fire Safety/Evacuations

Apr 10 CRAFT TALKS: Alan White and Richard Brunette

Apr 17 Annual High School Business Plan Contestants

Apr 24 Thursdays About Town evening gathering