

## San Marino Rotoscope September 12, 2024



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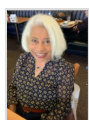
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### San Marino Rotary ROTOSCOPE President's Corner Written by Paul Brassard September 12, 2024

#### RECAP of the Sep 5 Program

Our members braved severe heat to welcome District Governor Mike Driebe in his official visit to our club. Only 100+ degree weather could keep the ever-dapper Mike Driebe from wearing his customary necktie. We also heard from Mikah O'Mara, co-chair of the Committee for Safe Modern San Marino Schools, who briefed us on the upcoming school bond measure. And we viewed two original short videos about San Marino schools made by member Mike Rizzo.

#### Paul Harris Award Honoree Reveal

Foundation Chair Linda Wah announced that her committee met and selected **Al and Sue Boegh** as the Paul Harris Honorees for the award luncheon set for **March 13, 2025** at Huntington Library. Mark your calendar for this special event.



#### TAT (Thursday's Around Town) Sep 26

Also mark your calendar for our September 26<sup>th</sup> Oktoberfest TAT at the private estate of Richard and Ivy Sun. Cost is \$25. Featuring authentic Oktoberfest foods and beverages arranged by Fred Sohl and Georg Eittinger. RSVP to Russ Osmonson [russosmonson@gmail.com](mailto:russosmonson@gmail.com) Car pooling recommended.

#### Sep 12 Program: Robert Bonner, The Impact of 911.

Robert C. "Rob" Bonner was born and raised in Wichita, KS, graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Maryland in 1963 and received his law degree from Georgetown in 1966.

He served on active duty in the U.S. Navy as a Judge Advocate General Corps (Navy JAG) to the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

In September 2001, Judge Bonner was appointed by President George W. Bush as the Commissioner of the U.S. Customs Service. He reported for duty on September 10, 2001.

After the homeland security reorganization of 2002, Bonner served as the first Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the then new agency of the Department of Homeland Security responsible for managing and securing U.S. borders while facilitating trade and travel.



[Frederic C. Sohl](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms

He is a retired partner of the law firm of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher and the former senior principal of the Sentinel Homeland Security Group, a Washington, D.C.-based homeland security consulting firm.

He is the principal of Bonner ADR & Consulting Services where he serves as a neutral arbitrator and mediator of large-scale commercial disputes.

Judge Bonner is the chair of the Civilian Oversight Commission for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and was the chair of the California Commission on Judicial Performance.

He currently serves on the board of trustees of the California Institute of Technology and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. He and his wife reside in Pasadena and have 1 daughter. Bob runs 3 miles a day, plays tennis Tuesday mornings at the Lacy Park courts, and has mastered chess.

With all this experience in borders, homeland security, and public policy, we have asked our speaker to address "The Impact of 911".

### **COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE is gearing up.**

Wally Rosvall, chair of the Community Grants Committee, is seeking additional members to solicit, review and evaluate Grant requests from local charities and organizations. Last fiscal year, we awarded a total of \$29,998 to 28 recipients to fund a variety of programs and projects. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about a variety of great organizations and their good work in our community. If you are interested in joining the Committee, please contact Wally Rosvall or Michael Rizzo or just attend our first meeting on October 3 after our regular Club meeting. Additionally, if you know of a worthy organization that would like to submit a request please reach out to Michael, Wally or any member of the Community Grants Committee.

### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS**

**Sep 12** Rob Bonner, Former Dept. of Homeland Security, *Impact of 9/11*

**Sep 19** Richard Nila, SMHS Varsity Head Football Coach, *Our Season*

#### **Rotary Board Meeting at 1:30 pm**

**Sep 26** Thursdays Around Town, *Octoberfest*, Richard and Ivy Sun's back yard, reservations required

**Oct 3** Andy Link, Brewmaster, *Beer is Better Together*

**Oct 10** Larry Stewart, Los Angeles Times Sports Columnist, retired, *Stories of Note*

**OCT 17** CRAFT TALKS, Becky Cheng & Michael Rizzo, from two new members

**Oct 24** Rev. Tom Tewell, SMCC Preacher in Residence, *What Makes A Great Talk*

**Oct 31** Thursdays About Town, *Halloween*, Isaac Hung's Back Yard, reservations required