



The Green Sheet

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San Marino Chamber of Commerce Newsletter

Introducing the 2005 San Marino Chamber Board.

On January 20, the Board of Directors of the Chamber met for its annual off-site organizing meeting at The Colonial Kitchen. President Barbara Veenstra welcomed returning members and introduced new members to the group. Captain Jim Anderson of the San Marino Fire Department, Betsy Jones of Huntington Pharmacy, Fred Sohl of Crowell Weedon & Company and Lisa Watkins of Sylvan Learning Center are new members this year. These four members join Bill Bell of the Gates Salon, Tom Bristow of the UPS Store, Wayne Carter of Johnson Butler & Company, Anna Dovlatian of Citizens Business Bank, Davor Pacemski of Travel for Less, Raul Saenz of California American Water Company, Anne Turk of Anneticipation, and Soma Warna of Coldwell Banker to make up the board for the year.

Among the subjects discussed over dinner were the budget, committee assignments, and membership growth. Time was taken to establish a schedule for board meetings and mixers for the year. As always, this meeting provided a forum for a discussion of a range of topics. Many members came up with ideas of how to improve on what the Chamber does well. A few offered new ideas and programs that could be tried for the first time. New and old members received an orientation from Chamber Office Manager Eve Estrada. She helped them understand her role and clued them in on how the Chamber works on a day-to-day basis.

The evening provided the opportunity for Board members to get to know each other and to combine Chamber business with a social time. All agreed that it was a perfect way to start the new Chamber year.



Introducing the 2005 San Marino Chamber Board. In the top row is Tom Bristow, Jim Anderson, Barbara Veenstra, Davor Pacemski, Anne Turk, Betsy Jones, and Bill Bell. Seated are Fred Sohl, Wayne Carter, Soma Warna, Lisa Watkins, and Anna Dovlatian. Raul Saenz is not pictured.

For the first time since 1998, the San Marino Chamber will increase the price of attending its monthly mixers. Beginning in February, the price for members will be \$8 and for non-Members \$11. When you sign in, you will receive two drink tickets to be used for wine at the bar. We checked with Chambers in the surrounding communities and found we were known as “the best bargain in the San Gabriel Valley.” Even with the new prices, the mixer is still a bargain. If you have never been to a mixer, come to P.M. Jacoy on Mission on February 10, and enjoy food, drinks, prizes and fun.

Important Dates

February 8, Tuesday, Chamber Board Meeting, Cal Am Water, 8 a.m.

February 10, Thursday, Chamber Mixer at P.M. Jacoy at 5:30 p.m.



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Renewing Chamber Members

Membership	Number of Years of Chamber
La Fornaretta	4 years
MONY Group – Tom Mills	5 years
Anneticipation	6 years
Visions of Hue	10 years
SDS Security	17 years
Arroyo Insurance Services	34 years
Richard and Marilyn Vanderhoof	35 years

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Introducing New Chamber Board Members for 2005.

Here are photos of the four new members of the Chamber Board of Directors so you can connect faces with names. You may be hearing from them in the months to come. They may ask for your help, invite you to a mixer, or just stop by to introduce themselves.



Fred Sohl



Betsy Jones



Jim Anderson



Lisa Watkins

Memories

Last year was a very good year. During 2004, we had more photos than we had space for in the Green Sheet. Here are a few of our favorites.





The San Marino
Chamber of Commerce

February Mixer
Thursday, February 10

5:30 -7:30p.m.

hosted by

PM JACOY MENSWEAR

2650 Mission Street
San Marino, Ca 91108

Featuring

**Wines of the Riboli Family
Maddelena and San Simeon
Historic Wines of San Antonio Winery**

Food by

Julienne Brasserie

Members \$8 Non-Members \$11

The public is welcome

(Admission price includes two free drink tickets)



For more information, call the Chamber office at 626-286-1022



Building Business Relationships through Chamber Membership

One of the reasons for being a Chamber member is the opportunity to build business relationships. Recently Chamber Vice President Wayne Carter (Johnson Butler) needed some table favors for an investment dinner. Chamber Secretary Anne Turk (Anneticipation) was able to provide the perfect gifts for the occasion. When Carter went to pick them up, Anne had each one attractively wrapped. She affixed her labels to the gift packages. Wayne was pleased with the excellent service and Anne may get some additional business from those who receive these gifts.

If you have established a business relationship with another Chamber member, please pass the information on to us at the Green Sheet so that we can share it with our readers.

Shop
San Marino, Support Local
Business

The San Marino Chamber of Commerce

March
CHAMBER MIXER

Thursday, March 10
5:30-7:30 p.m.

Well Fargo Bank
2255 Huntington Drive
San Marino, Ca. 91108

Members \$8 Non-Members \$11
The public is welcome
(Admission price includes two free drink tickets)

For more information,
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Chamber Board Meetings

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 8 a.m. at California American Water Company at 2020 Huntington Drive, San Marino.

February 8	June 7	October 11
March 8	July 12	November 8
April 12	August – None	December –None
May 10	September 13	

The Executive Committee of the Chamber meets on the first Monday of each month at 4 p.m. in the conference room at Citizens Business Bank, 980 Huntington Drive, San Marino. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 2.

2005 Mixer Schedule

February 10 – P.M. Jacoy
 March 10 – Wells Fargo Bank
 April 14 – Friends of the San Marino Public Library,
 May 12 – Crowell Weedon & Company, location TBA
 June 8 – Huntington Library
 July 14 – TBA
 August – No Mixer
 September 15 – Citizens Business Bank
 October 13 – Glabmans
 November 9 or 16 – A Stitch in Time/Hodge Podge
 December 8 – Asanti

Help Us Revise the Chamber Directory

The 2005 Chamber Business Membership Directory will be ready soon. Please check your entry in the 2004 version. If you want to make changes, please call or e-mail the Chamber office as soon as possible so that changes will be entered into the record. This useful publication is most effective when the information is up-to-date.

Mixer Update

You can make the monthly Chamber mixers even better. Please call the Chamber office with a donation for one of the raffles. You can donate a gift, a bottle of wine, a gift certificate to your business or another Chamber member's business. It is helpful if you can do this a week or so before the mixer. Anne Turk (Anneticipation) wraps the gifts for a colorful presentation. Even though a little notice is preferred, walk-ins are gratefully accepted. Call Eve at 626-286-1022

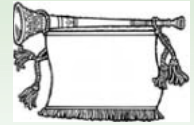
February 2005

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 	2 GROUNDHOG DAY 	3	4	5
6	7	8 Mardi Gras Chamber Board Meeting, 8 a.m.	9 Chinese New Year ASH Wednesday 	10 Chamber Mixer PM Jacoy Menswear 5:30 pm 	11 Doll House Miniatures party Feb.10-13 	12 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday Chouinard Film Series, 8 p.m.
13	14 Valentines Day 	15 Susan B. Anthony Day 	16	17 Curves Date Night 7:30 p.m. 	18	19
20 	21 President's Day 	22	23	24	25	26 Chouinard Film Series, 8 p.m.
<p>Place your Business Event Store Sale or Opening on our Monthly Chamber calendar! e-mail your Chamber information to Judy Carter at <jthrush@socal.rr.com> or fax to 626-796-3905</p>						

Bus Stop at Fremont Centre Theatre closing night.

Heard Around Town.....

News and notes about San Marino



☉ **Southern California Edison's (SCE)** consolidated rate change, which took effect Aug. 5, 2004, resulted in a system-wide 0.34% average rate decrease for bundled service customers, including a 1.05% average rate decrease for small and medium-sized power bundled service customers. The consolidated rate change was designed to reduce the impact to customers who otherwise would have experienced multiple rate changes in a relatively short period of time. Please keep in mind that specific impacts on your organization's rates may vary.

☉ Did you see Merrill Shindler's article on **San Marino Seafood** in the *Pasadena Star-News* just before Christmas? Evidently a lot of folks did. George Banks reported that they were flooded with customers. And he's not complaining. I wonder how long his regulars are going to have to wait for a table now?

☉ Speaking of eating, the name of the new Thai restaurant in San Marino is **TANGDONG**. Barbara Veenstra (**Citizens Business Bank**) reports that the food is great. Now we just have to recruit the owners to be Chamber members.

☉ This month **Fremont Centre Theatre Group** features William Inge's famous play, *Bus Stop*, until February 27. Performances are Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and a Sunday matinee at 2:30. The theater is located at 1000 Fremont in South Pasadena. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$17 for students and seniors. Call 800-595-4TIX to order tickets or stop by the box office any performance day a half hour before curtain time. For more information call the theater at 626-441-5977.

☉ Our very own **Doll House Lady** is featured in February issue of *Miniature Collector* magazine. We loved the article about Pat Hage's collection of miniature Victorian hats. To celebrate this attention, the Hages are having a four-day party at their 2327 Huntington Drive shop from February 10-13. They will be giving away free copies of the magazine and offering a 15% discount off everything in the store. Don't miss the party and sale. Store hours for this four-day event are noon to 6 p.m., Thursday through Saturday and noon to 3 p.m. on Sunday.

☉ The **San Marino Fire Department** responded to Chamber Vice President Wayne Carter's call for help when his basement flooded on the Saturday night of last month's big rain. The fire truck arrived within ten minutes and dropped a pump into the basement. The offending water was gone in a few minutes. They even helped sand-bag the flooded front yard. Thanks guys!

☉ Mark your calendar for Thursday, February 17, at 7:30, at **Curves San Marino**. That is the Date Night at the local exercise emporium for women. It is the one night a year that men are allowed in to learn about the mysteries of Curves. Try out the machines, learn what a workout it is to spend thirty minutes doing two rotations through the stations. Refreshments will be served. Call 626-792-8441 for more information on Date Night and on membership.

☉ The Videothèque @ **Chouinard Film Series** continues. On Saturday, February 12, the theme is Avant Cinema: Four Classic Avant-garde Shorts. The evening will include *Un Chien Andalou* (1929) by Dali and Bunuel, *Meshes in the Afternoon* (1943) by Maya Deren, *Dogstar Man* (1962) by Stan Brakhage and *The Order* (2002) by Mathew Barney. Then on Saturday, February 26 the theme will be *La Femme Fatale*. The two feature films for that evening will be *The Bride Wore Black* (1968) by Francois Truffaut and *Lady Snowblood* (1973) by Toshiya Fujita. These free programs begin at 8 p.m. at Chouinard, 1020 Mission Street in South Pasadena.

☉ New member **Sunrise Senior Living** has incorporated pets into their programs as a way to help residents enjoy a healthy and enjoyable life. Residents can bring their own pets with them when they move into a Sunrise residence. Call Sunrise Senior Living at San Marino (626-292-7800) to make an appointment to meet the local pets and to tour the residence at 8332 Huntington Drive.

☉ And you thought the Super Bowl was played in January! Well, **The Sycamores** had its own version on October 24, 2004. It seems that The Sycamores supporter Todd Doney won "A Day at the Rose Bowl" at a fundraiser in April 2004. He came up with the idea of a "Battle at the Bowl," as a way to help out The Sycamores programs. He got together two teams of realtors from the area for a flag football competition, which raised \$25,000 for the Sycamores. The event included the full use of the Rose Bowl football field and scoreboard, home and visitor team locker rooms, and live audio/video feed, with action highlights and instant replays shown in real-time on the video scoreboard. UCLA Bruins sportscaster, Chris Roberts announced the game. The two-hour game ended with a celebratory barbecue on the field for all participants, patrons and fans.

☉ Tom Bristow promises that his third **UPS Store** will open any day in Alhambra. The delay was due to a required inspection to be done by the Alhambra Fire Department. Until this new store opens, Tom suggests you keep coming to the San Marino location at 2275 Huntington Drive.

☉ At a recent **San Marino Rotary Club Meeting**, members heard the story of how twenty-three student members of **Interact Club** at San Marino's **Southwestern Academy** raised \$1800 to purchase "shelter boxes." The Shelter Box Project assembles a tunnel tent, sleeping bags, light and heat sources, water purification and cooking equipment, and tools in a large plastic box. Each box is designed to support about ten people for several months, and can be stored at major international airports to be rushed to disaster sites. They cost \$900 each. The Southwestern Interact Club members have funded nine boxes this semester so far. The students created and manufactured Christmas tree decorations to fund the first two boxes. After the tsunami hit, they gathered contributions for seven more. Our hats are off to the Southwestern Interact Club and Rotary for this mighty relief effort.



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