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San Marino Chamber of Commerce Newsletter

The Chamber bids farewell to Lt. Steve Johnson....



Lt. Steve Johnson Board of Directors 2008-2011

he Chamber congratulates Lt. Steve Johnson on his recent promotion to Captain, but with a heavy heart we bid him farewell, as his promotion comes with a move to the Hermosa Beach Police Department.

We first met Steve when Lt. Les Rune joined the Board of Directors. Steve would accompany his partner Les to all our Mixers, and became a resident fixture as our Bartender. When Les finished his term on the Board, Steve stepped up to take his place.

Steve was a gentle giant with a heart of gold. He was one of our most reliable "go-to" guys, always having the answer for any problem that we might have. He was our link to the Police Department and made sure that the Chamber was always informed of anything that needed our attention.

The Chamber wishes Steve much happiness and success in his future with Hermosa Beach, and we are thankful for his years of service to the community of San Marino, and the Chamber of Commerce. He will be greatly missed.

September Mixer

"9-11 Remembrance" hosted by

SMFD & San Marino Seafood



Rob O'Neill and Jeff Tsay hold up the flag that was presented to the Dept. by the San Marino Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

t was a warm Summer evening as the Chamber came together to remember the tragic events that paralyzed our nation 10 years ago on 9-11-2001, a day that will forever live in our hearts as Americans.

The San Marino Firefighters very graciously opened their home to us as we joined to not only remember, but to celebrate our American pride. And although we were surrounded by good food, drinks and lots of great conversation, we couldn't help but think of the many lives that were lost that horrific day.

Innocent people boarding planes on what they thought was just another Tuesday morning. Firefighters, Police Officers and Port Authority workers who just thought they were 'doing their jobs' that morning. Wives, husbands, parents and children giving 'goodbye' kisses, not knowing that it would be the last time.

The Daughters of the American Revolution presented the departments with a Flag that was made as a tribute to the first responders who perished on 9-11. And local resident Georgia Mon, along with her daughter Julie and son-in-law Don presented the Firefighters with a beautiful picture that was given Continued on Page 4

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President's Message...... by Sandra Troup

Dear Members;

Can you believe it's FALL already? Now if only Mother Nature would come to the party and lower the temperatures it would feel like Fall! I am amazed at how fast the year has gone by, and excited for the busy 4th quarter ahead of us.

I hope you are all ready for a busy and successful holiday season.
Remember to SHOP SAN MARINO whenever you can. Our San Marino shops offer so much more than the discount retailers. Personalized service and often FREE gift-wrap and delivery. Take advantage of these services by your fellow members whenever possible.

A special thank you to Chief John Schaefer and the San Marino Firefighters for making our September Mixer a special evening of celebration and remembrance. And a big thank you to George at San Marino Seafood for supplying the delicious food and to Anneticipation for donating our dessert.

For those of you who came out to lend your support to our Annual Police & Fire Appreciation Luncheon, I thank you. It is such a lovely celebration of the men and women who selflessly serve our community. My only hope is that we can encourage ALL business owners to be represented at this event next year. Special thanks to Anne Turk and Rita

Founded in November of 1959 the mission of the San Marino Chamber of Commerce is to promote the economic well-being of the community, to be an advocate for its members and to provide community leadership.

Rodriguez for their work on the event and to Diana Doi, Dora Liang, Joanna Jimenez and Michael Mele for their continued financial support of the event. We truly have the BEST members, and I am thankful for them.

Well it's time to get out your favorite German beer stein and head over to the Thurnher house to join us for our annual OKTOBERFEST! Southern California Edison will once again be our host for this fun and festive evening.

Beer, brats and lots more to feast on, so I hope you'll all make plans to come out and join us. This is a great time to donate a raffle prize to advertise your business. If you'd like to donate one for the OKTOBERFEST, please call Rita at the Chamber Office.

Our busy Chamber calendar includes a November Mixer at Hodge Podge, and don't forget our Annual Christmas Around the Drive on Dec 2nd. It's a busy 4th quarter for us, so I hope you'll put the Chamber on your calendar. See you soon!

Sandy

Chamber President 2010-2011 sandradesign@charter.net

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et Well wishes go out to Chamber Board member Dina Lopez [Pasadena Service Federal Credit Union] who had an emergency appendectomy the night of our September Mixer. We hope she is back on her feet and feeling great again soon!

And more Get Well wishes go out to member Dan Hodgkiss [Hodgkiss Insurance Brokers] who had another brief stay in the hospital. We send get well thoughts and prayers to both of them for a speedy recovery, and hope that they'll be back with us again soon.

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The Green Sheet wants to hear from YOU! Let us know what's going on in your business. Email us your sales, anniversaries,

special events awards or anything you want advertised to the membership. Email any info to the Green Sheet Editor at makeupguru@att.net.

Information deadline is the 15th of the month for the following months issue!

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Partnership Painting
San Marino Plumbing
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Athens Services
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First Capital Mortgage Corp.

Thank you for your continuing support of the Chamber and your investment in your business thru Chamber membership.

We value your membership and encourage you to be active members and participate in Chamber events.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

8:00am Board of Directors Meeting- Crowell Library
 7:30pm City Council Meeting- City Hall
 5;30pm 4th annual OKTOBERFEST @ Thurnher House

26 8:00am Annual Milestone Members Breakfast

31 Happy Halloween!

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

8:00am Board of Directors Meeting- Crowell Library
 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS! Move back 1hour!
 7:30pm City Council Meeting- City Hall

11 VETERANS'S DAY!

17 5:30pm Monthly Mixer @ HODGE PODGE

*NOTE: The Mixer is the THIRD Thursday of November due to the Veterans Day Holiday!

DECEMBER CALENDAR

2 CHRISTMAS AROUND THE DRIVE! 8 5:30pm Annual Holiday Mixer 14 7:30pm City Council Meeting- City Hall

21 First Day of Hanukkah25 Merry Christmas!

The Chamber Office will be CLOSED December 23rd- Jan 2nd. It will re-open Tuesday, January 3rd.

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The San Marino Chamber of Commerce invites you and your guests to the

November Mixer Thursday, Nov. 17th* 5:30-7:30pm

> Hosted By: Hodge Podge

Hodgkiss Insurance Brokers

2465 Huntington Drive San Marino

Raffle Prizes~Progressive Raffle - \$1,050.

Join members as we welcome Fall and step into the upcoming Holiday Season! Feel free to find a treasure or two as you shop the fabulous finds that Hodge Podge has to offer.

Take advantage of their FREE giftwrap as you mingle with members as your packages are being wrapped!

Members-\$8~Non-Members-\$15



A Benefit for Crowell Public Library Saturday November 5th 6pm

he Crowell Public Library will be transformed into a cruise ship on **Saturday, November 5, 2011** and be the backdrop for Delicious Destinations. The sights, sounds and tastes of Shanghai, China; Barcelona, Spain; the Caribbean and Venice, Italy will be the presented that evening as friends and neighbors gather to support the library.

Enjoy exotic cuisine as you are taken to far away lands. Visit the various islands and bid on exciting silent auction opportunities including beach front getaways, jewelry and fun for the kids.

The proceeds of the evening will benefit the Crowell Public Library. Purchase your tickets online at

www.deliciousdestinations.org. To make a donation or to donate an item for Silent Auction please call **Cindy Chan at 626-300-0779 x544**. This is a **GREAT** opportunity to advertise your business to the community of San Marino- consider donating an item for the Silent Auction.

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to her husband Don just after 9-11. The photo is a mosaic of the faces of those who perished that day. It was created by a Las Vegas artist who is a close family friend. After Don's death 3 years ago, Georgia decided that it was only fitting for the picture to find a permanent home in the San Marino Fire Department.

A big Chamber "Thank You" to George Banks of San Marino Seafood for so graciously donating the food for our evening. George prepared delicious shrimp pasta salads and a beautiful cascade of fresh fruit for the warm Summer night. A festive red, white and blue berry filled cake was donated by Anneticipation.com and was the perfect finish to our evening of remembrance.







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4th Annual Police & Fire Appreciation Luncheon

embers and their guests came together on a Wednesday afternoon to pay tribute to the men wednesday afternoon to pay tribute to the men and women who keep us safe in San Marino. Just Joanna's Floral Expressions on the heals of the 10th anniversary of 9-11, it was a fitting tribute to those who run towards danger as the rest of us are running from it. Day in and day out they put their lives on the line for our safety and freedom, and we must say "thank you".

Our worthy recipients this year were Corporal Robert Matthews and Firefighter-Paramedic Nathan Foth. A very moving tribute to each was given by Captain Tim Harrigan [SMPD] and Division Chief Rick Mayhew [SMFD]. It was very evident that the Chamber chose very worthy men to receive this annual award.

We cannot thank our Event sponsors enough. Without their continued financial support this event would not be possible. A big roaring "Thank You" to Diana Dee's Stationery, Joanna's Floral Expressions, Sweet & Savory, Bella Italia and Anneticipation.com. The best way you can thank them is to visit their businesses, use their services and thank them for their continued Chamber affiliation.

We would also like to thank the San Marino Firefighters Association, the San Marino Police Officers Association, Athens Services, Pat Salvaty, Dr. Tina Siu D.D.S. and Bob Dunlap for their continued support.

When you are out and about in the City, please take a moment to acknowledge our men and women in uniform, and thank them for their dedicated service to our community.

Thank You to our Sponsors:











Proud San Marino Police officers came to support Corporal Robert Matthews



San Marino Firefighters join award recipient Nathan Foth [Center Right] and his wife Susie and son Bradley as Chamber President Sandra Troup and Police Chief John Schaefer [Center left] present the award.



San Marino Police Officers join award recipient Corporal Robert Matthews [Center] as Chamber President Sandra Troup and Police Chief John Schaefer [Center left] present the award.

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Don't miss Santa's big arrival at City Hall, as he takes a spin on Old #1.

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Chambers 2011 Biggest Losers:

Nina Kirkendall [Prudential California Realty] is the latest member to join the 2011 Losers List! IF Nina had attended the September Mixer she would have won the \$1,025.00 CASH prize of the Progressive Raffle. Since she wasn't there, the raffle goes up to \$1,050.00 for the next Mixer. Mark your calendars for the November Mixer OR will YOU be the next member to be the Biggest Loser?

Milestone Members Breakfast Wednesday, October 26th 8:00 - 9:30am

Honoring our longtime members for their continued support of the Chamber and the community of San Marino.

\$12 per person*
The Fireside Room
San Marino Center
1800 Huntington Drive
San Marino
*RSVP to the Chamber Office -286-1022

Come out and network with fellow members and celebrate Chamber membership!

Breakfast will be served by Sweet & Savory

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Spread the Word About Your Event, Business and More on by Jessica Hamlin

Patch

an Marino Patch (sanmarino.patch.com) is a daily updated, free website about everything happening in San Marino. We cover news about the city council, schools, police and fire departments, businesses, events, sports and more and are solely online so you can find out what's happening around town as soon as it happens, seven days a week.

Not only is San Marino Patch a good way to find out about news in the city, but it's also a way to let others know about your business or event in various ways:

- ♦ Business Directory: Every San Marino business already has a free directory listing on San Marino Patch. This directory listing includes photos and a description of your business as well as business hours. Customers can review and comment about your business on the directory listing so others in town, and you get feedback about your business. If your business is not in the directory or you have a question about your listing, contact San Marino Patch Editor Jessica Hamlin at jessica.hamlin@patch.com.
- ♦ Events Calendar: Do you or your organization have an event or meeting coming up? You can post it on the San Marino Patch calendar for free and include an event description and photos. You can even post a recurring event, if you have something that happens weekly or monthly. To post an event, just Sign Up for Patch in the top right corner on the sanmarino.patch.com homepage-it's quick, easy, free and we will not send you spam email. Then log in with your password and click on "Post Your Own Event" at the bottom of the calendar on the homepage. If you have a sale or other business event to promote, then you can do so through an ad, which brings us to our next opportunity...
- ♦ Advertise: Do you want to spread the word about your business or business event? Then advertise on San Marino Patch and get your name out there with an ad or a Daily Deal that helps attract customers. Contact Regional Publisher David Peck at davidp@patch.com or call 310-621-3814 for

more information.

Blog on Patch: Do you want to share your views or expertise with a larger audience? Then become a Patch blogger. San Marino locals and professionals are already blogging on Patch about subjects like real estate, community events, travel, beauty and more. If you have an existing blog you can also share that blog content on San Marino Patch and we will link back to your blog. Each blogger gets a bio with a photo so you can tell the community about yourself and link to your business in your bio. The San Marino Chamber's own celebrity make-up artist Anne Turk of Anneticipation recently started sharing her beauty tips blog on San Marino Patch.

We look forward to hearing from you!

If you have any questions about San Marino Patch opportunities or a news tip to share, contact San Marino Patch Editor Jessica Hamlin at jessica.hamlin@patch.com or 626-354-5042. You can also "like" San Marino Patch on facebook and follow us on twitter for the latest news and photos. www.sanmarino.patch.com www.facebook.com/SanMarinoPatch www.twitter.com/SanMarinoPatch

Editor's Note:

As you read, I recently started blogging on Patch. I honestly believe that EVERY business owner could benefit from Patch. It's a great business tool. Keep your listing up to date with your current hours and info, and make sure to list every event you have, whether it's an upcoming Sale, trunk show, promotion, etc. In this challenging economy, any FREE business tool that we can use is another investment in our business. If you have an area of expertise, join the Blog, and start sharing your own tips- a couple extra minutes a week could reap you significant business rewards!. If you haven't met Jessica yet, reach out to her at the next Chamber event- she never misses them!



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