

## SAN MARINO ROTARY CLUB

President Stanley Clark's Year  
1965-66  
(as related by Stanley Clark)

The San Marino Rotary year for 1965-1966 was much the same as the years before and after, with perhaps a few more needles given during the fining, and more poetry than the average year. The officers were Stanley D. Clark, whose classification was Civil Law, as President; Donald H. Scott, Insurance-Fire, Vice President; David H. Fiscus, Manager of the Water Company, as the invaluable and perennial secretary; John H. Younken, Shopping Center Development as Treasurer; Edmund C. Russell, the City Clerk, as Assistant Treasurer; Edward D. Neuhoff, Real Estate Law, Sargeant-at-Arms; William F. Pfeiffer, Telephone Service, was Assistant Sargeant-at-Arms; Reverend Bert Christ and Reverend Frederick W. Cropp were our Co-Chaplains; Dr. Daniel Ellis, Senior Active, (School Administration) as Historian; Stanley H. Stevens, Funeral Directing, lent a very unfuneral note to the Rotoscope as Rotoscope Editor, and Marvin Carlson, Portrait Photography, as Assistant Rotoscope Editor, contributed some excellent photos as well as articles for the Rotoscope.

The Directors were George S. Fawcett, Sheet Metal Construction, David A. Lord, Concrete Products, Alexander F. Smith, Banking, Edward D. Neuhoff, G. Franklin Wierick, Senior Active, H. Russell Smith, Adhesives Manufacturing and Fred E. Turton, Architecture. The District Governor was C. Harold Sexsmith, the Governor's Representative was our member C. Birk Lefler and the District Governor Elect was our member, John H. Clay.

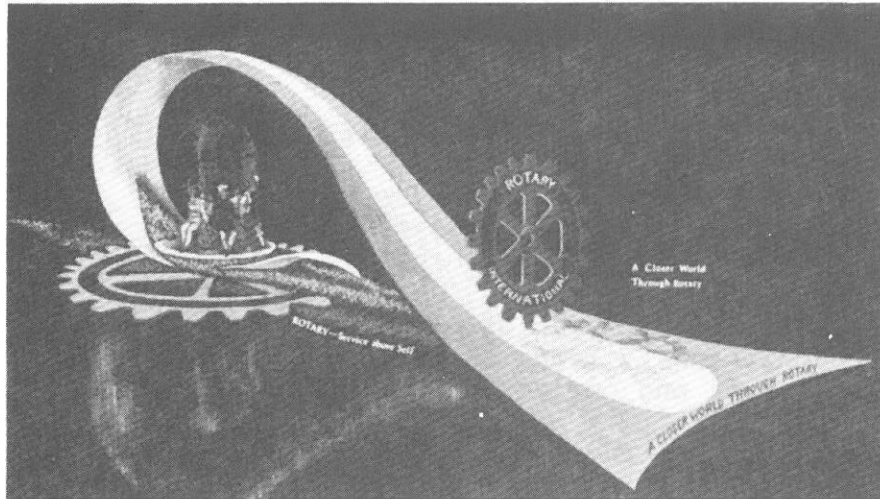
One of the more notable events was the award for the best Interact Club in the District through the effort of Bill Clanton, Savings and Loan. He met with the Interact Club once a week in the evening, thus giving a great deal of time to that service. This Rotary year also marked the first year in which we started entertaining the foreign students from the University of California at Berkeley who were touring California under the auspices of the Oakland Rotary Club. This has become an annual event for San Marino Rotary which has been very rewarding to the members.

Our Rotary Foundation contribution of almost 400% was substantially above the district average during the year 1965-1966.

Much of this came from a raffle of 19 great prizes arranged by Jim Fischer, Travel Agency, of meals or 2-day vacations at such great places as Alisal, the Ahwanee Hotel, and Hotel Del Coronado. The grand prize was a 16 day all expense tour of Mexico which was won by Russ Smith. Russ very generously donated the gift so that it could be auctioned off. The high bid was from Tru Lattin and brought in an additional \$810.00 for the benefit of the Foundation.

A large group from the club enjoyed a 3 day holiday to Alisal together.

It was the year Rotary had a float in the Rose Parade to which we contributed. It won the National Trophy.



Dan and Wilma Ellis volunteered to be responsible for the five students who would ride on the Rotary Float representing all Rotary Clubs in the World. Of the five students, one was from Bombay, India; one from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; one from Salisbury, Rhodesia; one from Amsterdam, Netherlands; and one representing America from Henderson, Nevada.

The students were given a 5 o'clock breakfast and driven to Pasadena for the parade. At the end of the parade the boys were picked up, taken to the Rose Bowl, served a box lunch, and then escorted to the Rose Bowl game. Following the game they returned to the Ellis' home for dinner, then each boy was driven to his respective home.

The picture was taken of the boys in their native dress with Rotarian Dan in his home at 4:30 a.m. the day of the parade.

It was also the year in which the President asked Rotaryanne, Beverly Lord, to design a club banner, and this resulted in our beautiful "Blue Boy" banner and the decorated ceramic contribution cup.

President Stan Clark presented a fine leather briefcase to our in-coming District Governor, John Clay, to help him impress the clubs of District 530 as he went about making his official visits.

One thing that was a little different was that the Rotary Information meetings for new members were held at a dinner at the President's home with the wives of the new members attending. This way not only the new member, but his wife was well indoctrinated with what Rotary is all about. Also it enabled the wives to feel more at home by meeting a few people in advance. It was a typical Rotary year, good fun, good fellowship and some small contributions to the community and the world.

