



# The Green Sheet

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## February Mixer hosted by.....

A small group of Chamber members gathered in February as member, Michael Gallegos and his staff at Alex & Friends opened their doors after hours in their Pasadena salon to host our monthly mixer.

Guests were treated to a fancy array of imported bread and cheeses as well as a sampling of scrumptious appetizers. Wine was flowing from the bar as Pete Loeffler [Re/Max] and Stewart Rogers [Alice Computerworks] tended the bar. Many female guests were treated to fancy "up-do's" compliments of Michael and his staff.

A big thank you to those who helped work Check In at our Mixer- Ceil Mortimer [Chamber Secretary], Rita Rodriguez [Office Manager], Joanna Jimenez [Joanna's Floral Expressions]. Raffle Ticket Sellers: Dina Lopez [Pasadena Service Federal Credit Union]

Members filled the raffle table with fabulous prizes to entice everyone. A big thank you to those who donated raffle prizes. Please thank them by using their services, visiting their stores and utilizing their websites when possible. The best way we can thank our generous members is to patronize their businesses! Please let them know that you appreciate their Chamber affiliation- Roque & Associates, SM Patch, Pasadena Service Federal Credit Union, Anneticipation.com, Joanna's Floral Expressions, Jan's Towing, Ceil & Mort Mortimer.



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Alex & Friends owner Michael Gallegos welcomes Chamber President Sandra Troup to the February Mixer!



## Membership Luncheon co-hosted by Bella Italia & Anneticipation.com

A big thank you to Michael Mele [Bella Italia] and Anne Turk [www.anneticipation.com] for coming to our aid and supplying the food for our Membership luncheon, and to Dan Hodgkiss [Hodgkiss Insurance Brokers] for bringing to our attention the need to educate our members about the American Disabilities Act and how it can affect our businesses.

Over 35members gathered on a beautiful March day to enjoy lunch and network a little before enjoying a presentation from Dan Kaiser of Access Services Plus, a privately owned company, that was created with a single goal: to provide above average assistance to building and property owners, designers, licensed architects, and local jurisdictions in the application of the building construction codes with an emphasis on disabled access compliance.

Many members were confused as to whose responsibility it is to make a building compliant to the ADA codes. Is it that of a tenant, or that of the building owner? And if sued, who are people targeting? All of these questions came up and a great discussion began. Look for information from San Marino's Planning & Building Director, Dave Saldana in the coming months to help clear up some of the questions regarding buildings and their ADA compliance in San Marino. If you have questions you can reach the Planning & Building department at [planbldg@cityofsanmarino.org](mailto:planbldg@cityofsanmarino.org) or call **626-300-0784**.



*An Enchanted Evening  
Awaits you..... May 12, 2011*

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



Dear Members;

*It's been a busy couple of months for the Chamber. We are finally settled in to our new home, with fresh paint and new carpeting. Many thanks to those members who donated the funds and to Pete Loeffler and Dan Hodgkiss for coordinating the transformation with our office manager Rita Rodriguez. Please stop by and visit the office, our doors are always open to our members.*

*Thank you to my friend Michael Gallegos, owner of Alex & Friends for hosting our February Mixer. Although it was a small group, it was an intimate gathering and everyone had a great time. His team showed off their skills by treating several of our members to fancy "Do's".*

*Unfortunately we had no host for a March Mixer, so it was cancelled. However, many members found time to gather with us mid-March for a networking luncheon. It was a nice change, and we saw different faces. Those who can't usually make it to nighttime events welcomed the change and took advantage of the chance to network with other members. Many brought business materials to hand out to attendees, and we highlighted the afternoon with a raffle at the end. Our members are always so generous when it comes to providing raffle prizes. Please thank them when you see them. It not*

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.

*only helps advertise their businesses, but it is a true reflection of their dedication to the Chamber and its membership.*

*We have a big Mixer planned for April. Office Manager Rita Rodriguez has done all the footwork for what is sure to be a very enjoyable evening for all. She has single-handedly been working with members on Mission Street to work out the logistics of our first Progressive Mixer on Mission. We will begin at Julianne and end the evening at GEO Chiropractic, with stops along the way at Fancy That, The Gates and Single Stone. Mark your calendar and make sure to join us. Hope to see you there!*

Sandy

Chamber President 2010-2011  
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## Chambers 2011 Biggest Losers!

Corina Limon-Madilian of Single Stone on Mission Street is the latest member to join our Biggest Losers List. If Corina had attended the February Mixer she would have won the \$925 cash prize!

# Welcome New Members:      Renewing Members:

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*On behalf of our members,  
 WELCOME to the  
 San Marino Chamber!  
 We value your membership and  
 encourage you to become active  
 members and participate in  
 Chamber events.*

*Get involved, join a committee, start  
 networking with other members and  
 get the most out of your membership!*



**The Green Sheet  
 wants to hear  
 from YOU!**

The Green Sheet wants to hear from YOU!  
 Let us know what's going on in your  
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 special events awards or anything you want  
 advertised to the membership.

Email any info to the Green Sheet Editor  
 at [makeupguru@att.net](mailto:makeupguru@att.net).

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

*Lasting Impressions*  
*San Marino Unified School District*  
*Jack Hamilton, D.D.S.*  
*Ronald Estrada, D.D.S.*  
*Law Office of Patrick McPhilamy*  
*Sarah Rogers/Coldwell Banker*  
*San Marino Firefighters Association*  
*Stefan Zweig, D.D.S.*

*Thank you for your continuing support of  
 the Chamber and your investment in your  
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 you to be active members and participate  
 in Chamber events.*

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## APRIL CALENDAR

<b>1</b>	<b>APRIL FOOLS DAY!</b>
<b>6</b>	8:00am Board of Directors Meeting- Crowell Library
<b>13</b>	7:30pm City Council Meeting- City Hall
<b>14</b>	5:30pm Monthly Mixer on Mission Street- Check In at Julienne.
<b>19</b>	<b>PASSOVER BEGINS</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>HAPPY EASTER!</b>

## MAY CALENDAR

<b>4</b>	8:00am Board of Directors Meeting- Crowell Library
<b>8</b>	<b>Happy Mothers' Day!</b>
<b>11</b>	7:30pm City Council Meeting- City Hall
<b>12</b>	<b>5:00pm Annual 'Evening at the Huntington'-</b> <b>All are welcome! \$25 at the door!</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Memorial Day- Chamber Office Closed!</b>

## JUNE CALENDAR

<b>1</b>	8:00am Board of Directors Meeting- Crowell Library
<b>8</b>	7:30pm City Council Meeting- City Hall
<b>9</b>	5:30pm Monthly Mixer- Hosted by San Marino Plumbing, Joanna's Floral Expressions, Titan Travel & Visage.
<b>15</b>	<b>Flag Day- show your American Pride!</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Happy Fathers' Day!</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>First Day of Summer!</b>



The San Marino Chamber of Commerce  
invites you to join us for a

# Progressive April Mixer Thursday, April 14th

We will begin at Julienne- 2649 Mission Street and  
end at GEO Chiropractic -2646 Mission Street

5:30-7:30pm

Join other members for a little networking and a  
Spring time stroll along Mission Street.

Check In at Julienne, then head west on Mission with stops at  
Fancy That, The Gates Salon, and Single Stone on Mission Street.  
Look for the blue & white balloons at participating members and  
visit their businesses while enjoying fine wine, and appetizers and a  
little networking with other members.

We'll end the evening at GEO Chiropractic with dessert and  
cappuccinos and our event finale, the BIG Raffle!

Be a part of this fun and festive evening by donating a  
raffle prize for the events grand finale!

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

# City of San Marino



## Community Emergency Response Team Training

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community. CERTs are formed by members of a neighborhood or of a workplace who wish to be better prepared for the hazards that threaten their communities.

## NOW ENROLLING

### May 2011

4 consecutive Tuesdays : May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> from 6pm 9pm

Attendance at all classes for a total of 12 hours is required

*Classes will be held at the Crowell Public Library in the Barth Community Room*

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FOR THE FOLLOWING ISSUE



City Manager Matt Ballantyne, Board Member Pete Loeffler, City Councilman Dennis Kneier, Chamber Pres. Sandra Troup, Vice Mayor Dr. Richard Sun and Alma B owner, Alma Barraza and her family celebrate the Grand Opening of Alma B's!

The Chamber is happy to welcome new business owner and new Chamber member Alma Barraza to Huntington Drive. Alma B as she is known by friends purchased the "The Ice Cream Shop" and gave it her own special touch.

After a little remodeling and an updated sign to reflect her own signature style, Alma B is delighted to be featuring the super exclusive, super premium Lappert's ice cream. In addition she will also be warming up friends and customers with delicious coffee and espresso from Klatch Coffee and Organic loose leaf teas by Naja Teas.

Whether you're a fan of traditional English Breakfast tea, or like to spice it up with a little Wicked Plum, or perhaps you're a coffee lover and would prefer a Cappuccino or a Javalicious blended coffee, Alma B has what your tastebuds are calling for. And if dessert is what you're looking for, she serves up delicious Lappert's ice cream. Only found in Sausalito, San Diego and Hawaii, Alma B's puts San Marino on the map with her delicious selection of Lappert's ice cream. With the warm summer months just around the corner, this will be a fabulous addition to the courtyard shops on Huntington Drive. Stop by for a scoop today and welcome her to the Chamber!



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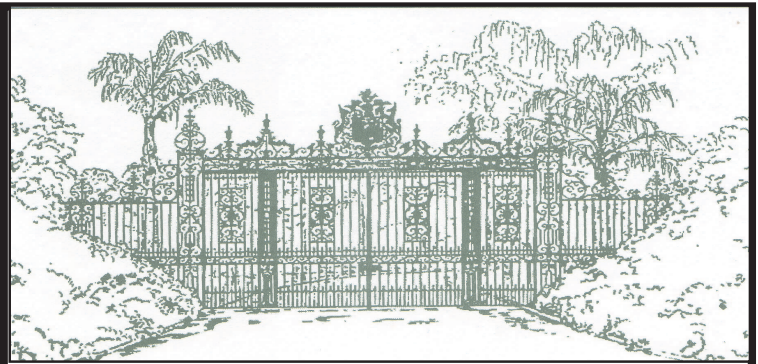


*The Gilmore's [Kraemers Jewelers] and Loeffler's [RE/MAX] show off their lucky streak taking home several prizes.*

*Mary and Dr. Gene Orlowsky [GEO Chiropractic] enjoyed the evening networking with other members. Dr. O will co-host our Progressive April Mixer with other members on Mission Street.*



*Joanna Jimenez [Joanna's Floral Expressions] and Secretary Ceil Mortimer greeted guests at Check In.*



The San Marino Chamber of Commerce cordially invites you and your guests to join us

for an evening at  
**THE HUNTINGTON**  
LIBRARY, ART COLLECTIONS,  
AND BOTANICAL GARDENS

**Thursday, May 12, 2011**  
**5:00 to 7:30 p.m.**

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**Networking Luncheon Contd. from pg 1**

*Holly Cornet [One West Bank] and Lisa Loeffler [RE/MAX] enjoy a little conversation while having lunch!*



*Chamber President Sandra Troup hands over the winning raffle prize to new member Joe Napoli [RE/MAX Premier Properties]*



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