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San Marino Chamber of Commerce Newsletter

Ellen's Silkscreening Named One of The Top 100 Woman Owned Businesses.



*Ellen Daigle,
Owner of Ellen's
Silkscreening*

For the 3rd year Los Angeles Business Journal has named South Pasadena's, **Ellen's Silkscreening** one of Los Angeles County's top 100 women-owned businesses.

The Chamber sends out a big congratulations to Ellen. And as the proud owner that she is, she reminds us that this honor is not hers alone, but a tribute to her entire staff who goes the extra mile all year long.

The Chamber also thanks Ellen for her continued support of the Chamber and its events throughout the years. We are lucky to have her as a member, and our members are lucky to have benefitted from her Chamber affiliation!

WAY TO GO ELLEN!

July Mixer hosted by The Loeffler Team

RE/MAX®

The Tour de France was the theme, and everything Provencal, as we stepped into France for this lovely July evening. Pete, Lisa and Bridget Loeffler [The Loeffler Team-RE/MAX] took us on a journey to experience some of the French delights. Cocktail tables were set with vases of french lavender, and the beautiful display of food by Sweet & Savory included bite size quiche, french crusted bread and cheese and a beautiful chocolate fountain with fresh strawberries for dipping for dessert.

Wine glasses were filled and guests mingled while enjoying the beautiful artwork of new member Dana Marevich that surrounded the patio area.

Members were once again generous with

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Mixer Hosts: The Loeffler Team-RE/MAX. Lisa & Pete Loeffler and Bridget Loeffler Ochoa.

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



Dear Members;

Happy End of Summer! I hope you have all found time to escape the heat and the hussle and bustle of the busy schedules of business owners. .

The Chamber ended its summer schedule with a lovely summer evening Mixer hosted by Pete and Lisa Loeffler of RE/MAX. I was on vacation, and unable to attend the Mixer, but I heard from my Chamber 'elves' it was a dandy! Bienvenue à la France or as us simple Americans say... "Welcome to France" was the theme set for the night. I hope everyone had a fabulous time. A big thank you to Pete and Lisa and their staff at RE/MAX for inviting the Chamber in.

I hope you will all be able to join us in September as the firefighters open up their home to us. We will be gathering just days before the 10th anniversary of 9-11. A time for us to reflect on the horrific events of that tragic day, and a time for us to celebrate the unity we share as fellow Americans. I know it will be a lovely evening of reflection and celebration, and I hope you will all be a part of it.

One of the most exciting functions of our Chamber is focusing on the ever changing needs of our members, and trying to forecast the direction our Chamber needs to move in.

Most recently a panel held a

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.

brainstorming meeting to discuss the evolving of the Chamber over the last 20 years, and to toss around ideas on where to lead our Chamber in the future. I would like to thank Past President Nancy Billings for joining them, and adding to their discussion, what worked when she was President, and her thoughts on what might need to change today.

One thing that came out of that meeting, was the evolving of our Mixers from what once was a wine, cheese and appetizer event, to what has almost become a sit down dinner. And while dinner and wine for \$8 seems like a bargain these days, unfortunately we've gotten away from WHAT the Mixer was all about....NETWORKING! We've also priced many members right out the door at being able to afford "hosting" a mixer. Members are encouraged to host Mixers to get people INTO their businesses. See what they have to offer, and find out more about their business. So I would like to encourage more businesses to entertain the idea of hosting a Mixer. You don't need to cater a 6 course sit down meal- just a nice sampling of appetizers will do just fine. Please call Rita at the Chamber Office if you would like to host. See you soon!

Sandy

*Chamber President 2010-2011
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Welcome New 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!**

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 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!

Renewing Members:

SG Valley Music Theatre
Jefferson Development Corporation
Huntington Pharmacy
Southern California Edison
Headliners Hair Salon
Morrow & Holman Plumbing
Grand American Travel
Atlantic Escrow
Pie 'n Burger
Jorjorian Rug Company

*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.*

Join us on Facebook
 and interact with
 other members



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SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

5		LABOR DAY!
7	8:00am	Board of Directors Meeting- Crowell Library
8	5:30pm	Monthly Mixer- a 9-11 Remembrance @ the SMFD
14	7:30pm	City Council Meeting- City Hall
21	11:30am	4th Annual Police & Fire Luncheon
23		FIRST DAY OF FALL!
28		ROSH HASHANAH BEGINS!

OCTOBER CALENDAR

5	8:00am	Board of Directors Meeting- Crowell Library
12	7:30pm	City Council Meeting- City Hall
13	5:30pm	4th annual OKTOBERFEST @ The Old Mill
26	8:00am	Annual Milestone Members Breakfast
31		Happy Halloween!

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

2	8:00am	Board of Directors Meeting- Crowell Library
6		DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS! Move back 1hour!
9	7:30pm	City Council Meeting- City Hall
11		VETERANS'S DAY!
17	5:30pm	Monthly Mixer @ HODGE PODGE

The San Marino
Chamber of Commerce
invites you and your guests to
a very special

September Mixer

'a 9-11 Remembrance'

Thursday, September 8th
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Hosted By:
San Marino Seafood
&
San Marino Firefighters
2200 Huntington Drive
San Marino

*Please join our membership as we come together
to celebrate our American Pride and join together
to remember those lives so tragically taken from
us 10 years ago.*

*The perfect host for this celebration of
remembrance will be our
San Marino Firefighters.
Join them as they open up their home to us.*

~Raffle Prizes~

Progressive Raffle~ \$1,025.

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

Please RSVP to the
Chamber Office
626-286-1022

The San Marino
Chamber of Commerce
invites you and
your guests to join us for our
4th annual

OKTOBERFEST

Thursday, October 13th
5:30 - 7:30 pm

Hosted By:
Southern California Edison
The Old Mill
El Molino Viejo
1120 Old Mill Road
San Marino

Join us for an evening
of authentic German
food, fun, and festivities.
Beer, Brats and more at
one of San Marino's own
treasures- the Old Mill.

\$15 per person

~Raffle Prizes~

RSVP to
the Chamber Office
286-1022

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

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.*



*5 year Members:
Ambiance Party Lighting
Moravec's, A.P.C.*

*One West Bank
San Gabriel Valley Music Theatre
Single Stone on Mission Street*

*10 year Members:
Atlantic Escrow
Hathaway-Sycamores*

*20 year Members:
Oak Knoll Barber Shop*

*25 Year Members:
Diana Dee's Stationery
Julienne
Jack G. Hamilton, D.D.S.
Ronald P. Estrada, D.D.S.
Region I Realty*

*40 Years:
Arroyo Insurance Services*

\$12 per person
The Fireside Room
San Marino Center
1800 Huntington Drive
San Marino*

**See enclosed reservation form or Call the Chamber @286-1022*



*The San Marino
Chamber of Commerce
proudly presents*

The 4th Annual Police & Fire Appreciation Luncheon

*Please join us as we recognize
the unselfish work
of two of San Marino's finest
departments and honor
this years recipients*

*Police Corporal Robert Matthews
and
Firefighter-Paramedic Nathan Foth*

*for their excellence in serving the
Community of San Marino
above and beyond the call of duty.*

September 21, 2011

*11:30am
San Marino Center
1800 Huntington Drive
San Marino*

**This is a pre-paid event and requires reservations
Please contact the Chamber Office
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to make a reservation*



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Christmas Around the Drive

Mark your calendars, the San Marino tradition continues....

Friday, December 2, 2011
5:00-8:30pm

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

Visit your favorite Huntington Drive shopkeepers while you stroll the drive on this fun and festive evening as we welcome the Holiday Season to San Marino!

Fire Chief Jim Anderson hangs up his hat & calls it a Career!

by Anne Turk

As Green Sheet Editor, it is often my privilege or, sometimes my misfortune to have to write an article, as was the case with the passing of Ben Salvaty. But, I find it an honor to write about my "pal" Mr. Anderson!

Mr. Anderson, or "Fireman Jim" as Dennis Kneier calls him, retired as the Interim Fire Chief on July 1st. A sad day for San Marino in my opinion. This man has served this community with a smile and a "can do" attitude for many years. His dedication to service was not only evident in his professional life but in his personal life as well.



Jim, and his wife Dolly, have raised 3 beautiful children, and bestowed in them the values and importance of service to ones community. It is evident in their chosen professions. Their son Patrick, currently stationed in Washington is in the Navy, and daughter Colleen is a nurse. Jim's wife Dolly is a retired school teacher.

So it isn't surprising at all, that Jim would always be the one we would turn to when we didn't know where to turn at all.

I had the privilege of first meeting Jim when I opened my business in San Marino. Several years later we served on the Chamber Board of Directors together, later as Co-VP's. We've delivered Directories together, and walked miles for Relay For Life together. I've had the pleasure to know his wife Dolly, not only as a client, but as a friend.

So in July I was honored to have been one of many invited to Jim's retirement luncheon. A group of invited guests gathered at the Fire Station on July 13th to toast, or possibly roast Jim as he put an exclamation point on a career with the San Marino Fire Department.

I was not surprised at all that day to learn that Jim had only briefly retired before taking a position across the street with Phil Raacke at San Marino Security Systems. When I joked with Phil about how quickly he jumped at the chance to hire Jim, he responded with "I wasn't stupid, and I knew someone would get him if I didn't move quickly".

San Marino was lucky to have Jim Anderson for so many years. He was an asset to the City, the Chamber and the local community and built a reputation of being a loyal supporter of civic organizations. I would say he will be missed, but I think we may see even more of him now.

In appreciation for the many years of service and the unequaled amount of support he has given the Chamber, its members and the business community of San Marino, the Board of Directors proudly bestowed a lifetime Chamber membership to Mr. Anderson, Fireman Jim and Security Jim! Congratulations Jim - nobody deserves it more!

The Chamber steps into France at the July Mixer~



donations, as raffle prizes filled the table. Lucky winners went home with an array of prizes.

Raffle Prizes were compliments of: **Pasadena Service Federal Credit Union, Jan's Towing, Brian Baretto- California American Water Co., Anneticipation, and Alice Computerworks.**

A big Thank You to those Board Members who helped work the Mixer: **Stewart Rogers [Alice Computerworks], Dina Lopez [Pasadena Service Federal Credit Union].**

Mixer Host and Board Member Pete Loeffler did the honors of filling in for vacationing Chamber President, Sandra Troup. Pete explained to the attendees that a new Mixer format is going to be slowly introduced.

Gone are the days of coming to a Mixer and picking your seat and camping out with those you already know for the duration of the 2 hours. Although, Mixers present a great time to meet up with your favorite Chamber friends, and catch up on the events of the past month, the Mixers really are for NETWORKING!

The Board of Directors is hoping you will embrace their new format and encourage all members to make your Mixer experience about meeting someone NEW. Take the time to introduce yourself to at least 1 new person each time. Let them know what you do, and ask them what they do. Chances are you might both need each others services someday.

When the Mixers first began, it was all about finger foods, and appetizers. Something you could nibble on while walking, talking and mingling. So, look for hosts to get away from the typical "meal" type spread of recent years, as we venture back to NETWORKING!

Our future Mixer hosts will be encouraged to provide cocktail style tables rather than a sit down style of event. Have no fear, if you need a seat- there will always be one available, but we are encouraging you to get up, get out and MEET PEOPLE!

Make sure to join us in September for a very special tribute at the Fire Department. See you there!





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