

TODAY

John Semcken of Majestic Realty will update us on the development of a sports stadium for Los Angeles, Orange County and the Inland Empire that Majestic Realty has had in the works for some time. **KEN STEIN** and **PAUL MORROW** will be pleased to learn that Mr. Semcken's resume includes Board positions with both the YMCA and Boy Scouts of America.

LAST WEEK

In a climatic conclusion to February's celebration of Abraham Lincoln's life, **DON McCUE** gave a stirring program that was not entitled "Other than that how was the play, Mrs. Lincoln?". **DON** went into depth on the provocative question of Lincoln as great emancipator or racist and it was comforting to hear that politicking has not gotten any more genial over time. Moving to new acquisitions for the Shrine, will **ROSS JONES'** Watchorn genealogy or the Watchorn papers get preferred shelf space?

NEXT WEEK

The program will be given by San Bernardino District Attorney **MIKE RAMOS**. If there is time for a "Q&A", Prez **ALLAN** will have to be on his toes as moderator.

ROTARY MUSIC CONTEST

For those who had the opportunity to listen to and enjoy the Rotary Music contest, here are the results and hopefully the participants will be at Club today to pick up their prizes:

1st Place: Kirklyn Robinson who sang "This Place is Mine" will receive \$100.00

2nd Place: Kira Rojanaroj who sang "At Last" by Etta James will receive \$ 75.00

3rd Place: Jennifer Olfert who played "Fantasy" by Mozart will receive \$ 50.00

Kudos to Chair **SABINE ROBERTSON-PHILLIPS** and Committee members **NATHAN GONZALES, LOWELL LINDEN, LORI RHODES** and **RAY ROBINSON** for a job well done.

MEMBER MUSINGS

Add kudos: Congratulations to the University of Redlands for its "700 Miles to Haiti Swim-A-Thon" and especially to the Redlands Daily Facts for limiting the photograph of **JEFF MARTINEZ** in the swimming pool to just a head shot.

"Last chance" if you want to buy tickets to attend A.K. Smiley Library's gala on March 6th.

The gala isn't an annual affair and is always a very enjoyable event -- where else do you get a chance to drink wine in a cloistered environ and gawk at **LARRY BURGESS, NATHAN GONZALES, DON McCUE** and **NEAL WANER** in their "monkey suits"!

Add **McCUE**: Prez **ALLAN** should consider having **DON McCUE** explain his thought process in not hedging his Super Bowl bet. If **DON** has the wherewithal to enrich Las Vegas bookies, surely he is good for a minor donation to the Club's Foundation.

Add Super Bowl: Unlike the other rats that deserted the ship, **NATHAN GONZALES** stayed at the helm and was the lone sole left locking up the Lincoln Shrine on Super Bowl Sunday.

ALLAN'S AVENUE

The evening was extraordinary, and many kudos to **Marv** and **Jan** and their equally extraordinary committee -- many thanks to you all!! I suppose there are several ways to judge the success of such an event, such as numbers of people in attendance, the quality of the entertainment, (I feel Renee filled the bill nicely) the number and quality of the vintners, the quality, variety, and availability of the food, and of course the number of dollars raised. However for me last Saturday night, I got the strong impression that the success should also be judged based on the responses I continued to hear from those in attendance. I can honestly say that those responses were almost universally expressed in the form of a sincere appreciation for how well they felt the evening had been designed, and how that effort resulted in a very enjoyable experience. For me that is where the skill of the organizers came in and showed up well as the evening wore on. So without even knowing how the numbers play out, I felt it had become quite clear that our professionalism showed forth, and for that I congratulate the Club as a whole. I am sure that will translate into even greater positive reaction and respect for the Rotary Club of Redlands in the future.