

## TODAY

Today's program will be given by San Bernardino County District Attorney Mike Ramos. With the issues of the County's budget woes, early jail releases, child prostitution and indictments with the most recent political scandal, Mike will have no shortage of topics from which to pick but probably will focus on changes that he is proposing.

## LAST WEEK

John Semcken of Majestic Realty gave an interesting and at times humorous program about the new complex including a football stadium that Majestic has planned in the City of Industry. John spent a fair amount of time on "location, location, location"; noted that the stadium would be "green", would have best sight lines in the NFL and would be built with private dollars. The EIR battle received short thrift since that would be a program in itself (déjà vu with CA legislature getting involved). Majestic is looking to buy a team to call the stadium "home" and the NFL would move in a second team at some point.

## NEXT WEEK

**DELLITA KOBOLD** will introduce Tom Thomas who will talk about the Lake Elsinore's Club supporting the building of an orphanage, in cooperation with the Tijuana Independencia Club, about fifteen minutes across the Otay Mesa border. This project was first started by a church group but needed a tremendous amount of help to complete it. They will be able to house 20 children with a total of four 12x14 bedrooms, and they are looking for skilled labor support. Our club is contributing \$500 from the World Community Service budget in support of this project and hopefully some additional hands-on support as well.

## MEMBER MUSINGS

Add **HANSBERGER**: If **DENNIS** runs short on programs he might consider having **CAROLE BESWICK** give a preview demonstration of the tango that she is learning for her part in the Redlands Symphony Association's "Dancing with the Stars" fundraiser (note that this suggestion was not made last year when **NEAL WANER** was a participant). No doubt longtime Symphony supporters **DELLITA KOBOLD, DICK JONES, ZACH TUCKER, DAVE MAUPIN, SABINE ROBERTSON-PHILLIPS, BRUCE SATZGER, LYNDA SCHAUF, RAY ROBINSON** and Prez **ALLAN** will be supporting their fellow Rotarian with monetary "votes".

Charged up by the electric atmosphere at the "Red Wine & Blues" event, our esteemed Secretary **RALPH FELLER** ventured into the heart of Saturday night looking for additional entertainment. **RALPH** ended up at Taylor's with hopes of cutting the rug to the zydeco band playing there but, alas, it was standing room only.

Add zydeco: Did **JIM ZIEMER** get a travel permit for his recent trip to New Orleans?

There is no truth to the rumor that **CAROLE INMAN** had a surreptitious entry in February's Redlands Country Club Chili Cook-Off.

Add rumor: There also is no truth to the rumor that the Drayson Center in Loma Linda had to resurface its pool after **HARRY JOHN** wore a path in it doing his hip replacement rehabilitation.

## ALLAN'S AVENUE

If you've never had the distinct pleasure to interview high school students for our annual Scholarship program, you are missing an inspiring experience. It is easy to understand why service clubs focus on the youth of our communities. The reward is simple and direct, you get to sit across from not only very bright people, but also are privileged to explore young minds that have been enlightened by parents, teachers, and sometimes even friends to the criticalness of the basic human quality we call altruism. This quality theoretically unique to humans, some feel is the true test of our special role in this Universe. Assuming that is true, it is very gratifying to see it blossom at so young an age, and feel that in the great majority of cases we encountered today, the intent was genuine. Today (March 4th) **NATHAN GONZALES** invited a team from our Club to interview 30 young scholars/world changers. Recognizing the natural tendency for applicants to come up with cliché's and "mother's apple pie" answers, it was still quite clear to this reviewer that most of what they relayed to us was sincere, and consequently rewarding for us sometimes jaded adults. All mentioned the need to give back to the community, and I felt they understood that in order for their gifts to be deserved and useful, they must realize that such gifts mean little if spent only on oneself.