

CLUB 33 HISTORY MINUTE #3 7/23/2009

In anticipation of Rotary Club 33's Centennial in 2011, let's turn the clock back to March of 1937. That was the date; after much confusion, that Club 33 chose to celebrate its 25th Anniversary. Our club President in 1936-37 was Fred Heilbron (sic Hylebron) – classification Plumbing & Heating. At that time, membership in San Francisco's Club#2 stood at 375, Los Angeles Club#5 at 326, Oakland#3 245, Sacramento 206, and Club 33 at an even 200. Local Rotary clubs which had been sponsored by our club were now giving us "grandchildren" with new clubs in Ramona and Ensenada. THE ROTATOR editor in 1937 suggested that each Club 33 President write a summary of his year in office for inclusion in the Club archives. It was noted that President Franklin Roosevelt, 16 US Senators and 39 US Congressmen were Rotarians. Another Rotary milestone was reached that year when Rotary International recognized fellowship meetings at sea by voyaging Rotarians would be accepted as "make up" meetings. This did not, however, apply to fishing trips, sailing sojourns, and/or excursions around San Diego Bay in a skiff. And that's your Club 33 History Minute.