

In addition to Rotary Club 33's Centennial approaching, we also note that 2010 will mark the 75th anniversary of San Diego's Old Globe Theatre. With that in mind, let's look back at the Rotary meeting of May 31, 1979; thirty years ago. The guest speaker that day was Craig Noel, billed then as Production Director of The Old Globe, but now regarded as legendary Old Globe Artistic Director and "icon." His topic was "What's New at the Old Globe," and we enjoyed Old Globe performers Betty Meads and Carole Marget as entertainment. Chair of the Day was George Harris, long time board member of the Old Globe. This was a special gathering because, at the same meeting, Lowell Davies, long time President and current Chairman of the Globe Board, was named "Mr. San Diego" of 1979. The award was presented by Mayor Pete Wilson, who had begun his law career in Davies' law firm, Davies and Burch. Together, Noel and Davies had been tremendously effective over three decades in building and furthering their beloved theatre in Balboa Park. Club 33 President "Doc" Porter presided over the meeting, and George Gildred was Chairman of the Past Presidents Committee to Select Mr. San Diego. This special day was filled with reminders of San

Diego's cultural riches, historical connections, and camaraderie. And that's your Club 33 History Minute.