

CLUB 33 HISTORY MINUTE #7 8/20/2009

In anticipation of Rotary Club 33's Centennial in 2011, let's turn the clock back to July, 1969; forty years ago. Our fifty-ninth president, Clark Evernham was installed; classification Museum – Anthropology. San Diego's 200th Anniversary celebration was in full swing, noted in the July issue of National Geographic Magazine, where kudos were given to Club 33 Rotarians for their contributions to our beautiful city. A wave of truly remarkable lunch programs included Postmaster General William Blount, Lt. Gen. Yitzhak Rabin of Israel, California Lt. Gov. Ed Reinecke, and San Francisco's Mayor Joseph Alioto. During Prez Clark's time, a rare tri-club event with Club 33, Lions and Kiwanis featured a banquet for the United Crusade. Each club's President was to give a short report on their club's contribution to the Crusade. Since a certain amount of levity and good-natured stunts were acceptable, one of the club's presidents pulled a "stunt" of handcuffing the other presidents. A prankster managed to steal the keys, and police had to run back to the station to get another set before the "detainees" could be released. It was, indeed, a low point for interclub relations. And that's your Club 33 History Minute.