

Your **ROTOSCOPE** for September 21, 2006

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA



PILLOWS AND PLENTY

WE HAVE PLENTY – every one of us live in comfort, with climate-controlled homes and offices, plenty of food, good clothes. We must never forget that a short walk away from our comfort and plenty are neighbors without, perhaps victims of job-losses, or disabilities, or just down on their luck. Look outside our affluent community, and you know the need is there. This holiday season, San Marino Rotary wants to help out, even if we just reach a few in need.

STEPHANIE PEARSON will talk with us this Thursday on her “Pillows and Plenty” idea – and she’ll ask for our help. President Wayne and the club board want to make this one of our year’s service projects, providing warm bedding, some pillows, maybe even a teddy for a child without, in time for the holidays. This is not one of our more entertaining programs, but don’t think of scooting. It’s a path for our service, and you’re needed to pitch in.

GET HOOKED UP

ROTARIANS ARE ALWAYS raising money for service, but now we have two new ways to save money on service, while benefiting the Rotary Foundation. With i2Telecom’s VoiceStick Internet phone service, Rotarians can call anywhere in the world on a land line, cell phone, or computer – unlimited international calls for \$25 a month, no strings. Sign up for any plan, and 10% of the monthly cost is a donation.

ANOTHER DEAL COMES from Research in Motion – a free BlackBerry 7100g, worth \$350, if you join their service plan to use Bluetooth wireless. R in M will donate \$25 to the Foundation if you sign up. For both offers, go to www.rotary.org/shopping.

JOKER STILL WILD

THE RULES OF OUR 50/50 GAME continue to confuse a few of our members. Maybe they just haven’t been paying enough attention? It’s really pretty simple: buy a raffle ticket. Or three. Or more. If one of yours is drawn at lunch, you have the opportunity to draw a card from the deck. If that’s the Joker, you win. Half the pot; the rest goes to our club’s charities. If you draw anything else, you win the value of that card – Lee Mothershead drew a nine of hearts last week, and won \$9 – not a bad investment.

JOIN THE FUN – it’s all for two good causes: San Marino Rotary Charities, and you. Joker’s still wild, still in the deck, and the pot’s growing each week. And as Bill Steele would remind us, all tax deductible.

SIGN UP FOR “CLEAR”

SAN MARINO POLICE have a new email program to help us all in “Communicating Law Enforcement Alerts to Residents” – CLEAR, in the cleverness of P. D. acronym-writers. Some of us are already signed up, but if you’re not, get aboard in this electronic neighborhood-watch. When there’s information to share – maybe a crime bulletin, news of local crime trends, crime prevention techniques – our P. D. will send out an email.

THE S.M.P.D. LIST OF EMAIL addresses is confidential, and the P. D. will not distribute it for commercial purposes, nor include advertisements or solicitations. If you don’t like the service when you see it, simply ask that your email address be removed from their list at any time.

IF YOU’RE NOT YET ON THE “CLEAR” LIST, it’s easy. Anyone living in, working in, or owning property in San Marino needs the information. Simply send an email to police@smpd.us, or see the link on the city’s web site, or call **300-0720** to ask, or if you really think you can find a parking place near city hall, stop in the police department lobby and fill out a card.

Calendar of Rotary Events for September / October 2006

SEPTEMBER

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| 21 | Noon | Pillows and Plenty |
| 28 | Noon | Bob Nafie spins some local history |

OCTOBER

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| 5 | Noon | Installing heart valves |
| 12 | NO NOON MEETING | |
| 12 | Evening | Come greet the district governor |



THE ROTOSCOPE

September 21, 2006: Plenty of Pillows Needed

JOCKS AND JOKERS

JACK ROSE is almost ready to suit up and get back on the Titan football team, now that he's a brand-new knee to help him sprint down the field. Stephanie Duncan's surgeon-husband Jan installed the latest model. Jack's still young enough to be under warranty, so we hope he didn't have to pay much. More important, he's getting around quite nicely once again, thank you.

DON NEU is spending time convalescing nearby, and would welcome your visit to him at 2400 South Fremont in Alhambra. Gets pretty boring, watching the daytime soaps – go give him your friendly smile and help break the monotony.

BOB NAFIE invoked blessings on Titan football during last meeting's prayer. Sort of reminded me of the conflicts felt by several nuns in Texas, when they attended a Notre Dame/U. T. football game. Who to root for?

P. K. LIM must have studied alchemy in pharmacy school. He has been turning water into gold, selling plain old imported water for a dollar an ounce, in mist bottles to refresh one's skin. Now he's selling AIR for ten times that price, though he spells it "AYR" – water with a little sodium chloride (that's plain old table salt, for SC grads who didn't make it through chemistry class) to squirt in the nose. Works well, both for the users and for P.K.'s pharmacy business.

CHRIS DATWYLER was honored again for maintaining the district's web site – and of course our own club's. He writes an outstanding bulletin, too.

Save October 12th for dinner with the District Governor

COLUMBUS CHANGE

OUR DINNER OCTOBER 12th with the district governor is changing course a bit, sailing a few blocks south and west to meet at Southwestern, saving a bunch of bucks for our club's charitable causes. You'll be receiving an invitation soon, but please save that Thursday evening.

ADD ONE, BUT LOST THREE

WE WELCOMED NICO CIFARELLI last week as our newest member – but we've lost three good people over the summer, and our membership committee asks your help in finding good replacements.

SOME MEMBERS MISSED the announcements of three resignations, and have asked about them when they missed these friendly faces:

DIANE COMI wrote last spring that her combined careers of lawyering and mothering made it too difficult to be a Rotarian at this time;

CAROLYN CRAIN resigned to keep the city's new library coming along, especially with the difficult task of keeping doors open while tearing down a building;

PATRICIA GONZALES left us a few months ago while recuperating from surgery at the same time as working harder for that stagecoach company, Wells Fargo.

SO BE THINKING OF a neighbor, someone in the next office, owner of the shop in your block, maybe a recent retired who wants to stay active, or a newcomer to San Marino interested in service. Invite a guest to Rotary to see if he or she becomes interested in what we're doing around town and all over the world, while having fun in the process. Share Rotary with someone else – someone else shared Rotary once with you.

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And as Wayne always says,

Wouldn't it be nice when we mess up life we could simply press 'Ctr Alt Delete' and start over?

