

# Your **ROTSCOPE** for January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA



## THINKING AHEAD

**BRUCE JUELL COULD TALK** on a number of fascinating topics, from being a Navy jet pilot, a turnaround specialist, a father and grandfather, to being a not-so-good golfer and having to put up with Wayne Carter's comments about his golfing skills. As a key player in reorganizing the Penn Central Railroad, he was CEO of its Great Southwest Corp. and its subsidiary, Six Flags. He is an alumnus of both the SC school of engineering and the SC business school, and is on the board of the Thornton School of Music.

"**THE RETIREMENT ACTIVITIES GUIDE**" is Bruce's latest project, a book he authored while serving as a delegate to the *White House Conference on Aging* last December. That's his topic for Rotary on Thursday, spinning off some thoughts and suggestions for your own consideration as you think ahead. After all, Wayne will be retired from Rotary's presidency in another five months, so he needs to plan along with the rest of us.

### CAR NEEDING SERVICING?

**IT LOOKS AS IF** San Marino will lose another gas station, but John's Valero at Huntington and Monterey was full of cars when I passed this morning. We hope several belonged to Rotarians, as John is offering to donate ten to 15% of the bills for service to San Marino Rotary Charities. Take advantage of it!

**ON YOUR WAY TO VALERO**, you can drop off old suitcases, duffle bags, children's reading books, and old magazines at Debbie's Titan Travel, right across the alley. The cases and bags go for the Eagle Scout project of helping institutionalized kids have a private place for their "stuff" – and the books and magazines are for the Gold Girl Scout project helping in South Central. Debbie's the good helper with both.

### SHARE YOUR HOME?

**TWO MORE HOSTS** are needed for the "Dinners for Eight" parties on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> – will you volunteer your home and good cooking?

**PRESIDENT WAYNE'S PLAN** is all for fellowship and fun. We will meet at Judy and Wayne's home for cocktails, draw a number out of a hat, and go enjoy the good company of three other Rotary couples around the dinner table. We'll all chip in \$27.50 per for the wines and foods, not to make money but to break even so the hosts need only cook and wash up.

**WOULD YOU HOST?** Call Wayne at **799-5200** or send him an email at [iwc@johnsonbutler.com](mailto:iwc@johnsonbutler.com) so all Rotarians will have a place to eat that evening.

## ARE YOU AT SIXTY AT LEAST??

**NOT AGE – BUT ATTENDANCE** is what counts at Rotary. Under our international rules, each member is required to attend or make up a *minimum* of 60% of our regular meetings each half year. You cannot fail to attend or make up four consecutive meetings – unless with the consent of the Club Board for good and sufficient reason – or you're considered withdrawn from membership.

**WHAT'S AN EXCUSE?** That's up to our club's board, and they'll be kind – if you'll write and state the reason you can't attend this minimum. International Rotary also has a "Rule of 85": if your age and your years of membership in Rotary adds up to at least 85, you're excused from regular attendance – BUT you MUST request this in writing, and it must be approved by the board.

**HELP YOUR CLUB** raise its rather pitiful attendance percentage – make up in any of the several easy ways – or write to ask the board if you can't attend a meeting anywhere all one month, or attend a board or committee meeting, or help out with a Rotary project – all legal "makeups". If you care at all for your club, you can do it. If you don't, well, farewell. We'll thrive without you.

## Calendar of Rotary Events for January / February 2007

### JANUARY

25 Noon Making lemonade by squeezing retirement

### FEBRUARY

1 Noon High school student speech contest

8 Noon Fashion Show for your Valentine

8 1:35 Monthly Meeting for the lucky board members

15 Noon Two newer members give their Craft Talks

22 Noon Sheriff Lee Baca reports to his home club



# THE ROTOSCOPE

## January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007: Making Lemonade from Retirement

### PRETTY IMPRESSIVE, LARRY!

**SERGEANT AT ARMS GOODREAU** spun off the word "recidivistic" at last week's meeting, surprising those who didn't think SC dentists ever got all the way up to five syllables in any word. When it comes to getting money for Rotary, Larry's a man of big words. Larry couldn't collect from our president, though – Wayne carries tattered "get out of fine" cards to protect himself.

**WORDS CAN GET CONFUSING.** A coach at a local school that we won't name wrote the headmaster yesterday about an incident during a boys' P.E. class. One student had argued "through about ten minuets on the field", the coach wrote. The vision is delightful, a bunch of teen boys in a stylized dance for exercise.

**RI IN EVANSTON** throws around words in interesting fashion too. A cover story in The Rotarian magazine last month featured a play on a cook book, talking about "THE JOY OF ROTARY" instead of "The Joy of Cooking." The accompanying drawing, however, was copied from another book published some years later on "The Joy of Sex". We guess Evanston doesn't remember anything about the latter.

**ENGLISH HAS GOT TO BE** the most confusing language to learn, as our mother tongue has stolen words from so many different places, and many of those words sound an awful lot alike. Our club's man on the district's Group Study Exchange this year to Central Europe received an email reminding him to bring "at least a dozen of your club's pants" along with him. We were puzzled at the idea of collecting trousers or shorts from our members, then we guessed they mean to bring some of our San Marino Rotary *pennants*.

### SKI WITH ROTARIANS?

**WE'VE RECEIVED A MESSAGE** to send to our members who enjoy skiing – to come ski with Rotarians from around the world this winter in Steamboat, Colorado, with the International Skiing Fellowship of Rotarians. They're an official RI group, and have details at: [www.isfrski.org](http://www.isfrski.org).

### QUICK RESPONSE MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE!

**ROTARY HASN'T GIVEN UP** on the project we've supported for so long with so much, that of eliminating polio throughout the world. We missed the 2005 goal, we're doing other things, but the work of immunization is continuing in earnest with Rotary volunteers leading the way.

**NAMIBIA WENT TEN YEARS** without a case of polio. The nation has been on the WHO list of polio-free places. Then the unexpected happened: a 39-year-old farmer came down with symptoms that left him paralyzed. It took a month for local health authorities to confirm the fears: Namibia had a polio outbreak on its hands. Namibia is a long way from our shores, but daily flights could carry the virus world-wide in a few days.

**THE NAMIBIAN OUTBREAK** was unusual, in that it affected several adults while Rotary's efforts have been with infants and children. We forget that a great mass of adults throughout the world have never been vaccinated, and no statistics exist indicating if the protection Americans received as youth is still effective in our older bodies. Rotary faced 236 cases and 27 deaths in Namibia. Local clubs called in thousands of volunteers to administer nearly a million doses among the country's two million people. It was all administered in two days of NID's – and no new cases have come in six months.

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And as Wayne always says,

Judy says I never listen to her.  
At least I think that's what she said.

