

Your **ROTSOCPE** for
June 14, 2007

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA



FLAG'S FLYING HIGH WITH PRIDE

IT'S FLAG DAY ON THURSDAY – remember to display your own. Our beautiful symbol of our nation always looks inspiring, particularly when floating over one of our country's overseas posts, or displayed before school-children pledging their allegiance to it, or draped with respect over the casket of a fallen hero. Show your pride in it this week.

ON THURSDAY WE MEET AND HONOR area high school graduates who were chosen by Congressmen David Dreier and Adam Schiff to attend one of the five service academies – West Point, Annapolis, Colorado Springs, New London, and Kings' Point. This tradition, started by James Nash when his own son entered an academy, has become an annual event for San Marino Rotary – unique in the Los Angeles basin. Jack Brown is host this year, and we presume Jack will have a speaker for us and our guests, though we've not heard who that may be. Come salute our flag on Thursday – and the young people willing to serve it with pride.

PLEASE RESPOND SOON!

THE ANNUAL DEMOTION DINNER is June 28th at San Gabriel Country Club, with a reception and business meeting at six and dinner service at seven. Your invitation and response request should be arriving soon – not in the weekend's mail, so probably early in the week. Do the committee a favor – let Jeff Groseth know SOON if you're coming or not. The deadline is June 22nd, but that's just a few days away.

LEN THERRIEN PROMISES a fine evening with friends. Doug Lerner is presenting fine praise for Wayne Carter, and after that thirty-second tribute is concluded, many minutes of the other stuff about Wayne – including a surprise, mystery guest. (Hope Doug's guest doesn't mar the club with his hoofs).

AND RESPOND TO THIS ONE, TOO!

HALF THE MEMBERSHIP HAVE RESPONDED, most of those in the first 24 hours after directory update sheets were sent out by email or old-fashioned post. Chris Datwyler, our ever-faithful directory publisher, is pleased (and amazed, as San Marino Rotarians don't always pay attention to such details, of course).

BUT THERE'S THE OTHER 50% - are you one who hasn't responded yet with directory updates, address corrections or additions, the name of your latest spouse? All correct or with changes, Chris needs to know this week so he can print a directory on time. Please respond to his e-mailed request for information, or note any changes on the mailed sheets and get them back right away.

AND MORE FOR YOU TO RESPOND!

HELP WANTED on July 4th in decorating Rotary's float for the Glorious Fourth parade to Lacy Park. Charlie Rasmussen needs more able-bodied helpers – or even the rest of the membership. Let him know you'll turn out that morning - call 665-9321.

HELP WANTED on the afternoon of the 4th (float's finished by then, so you can pitch in with both Rotary needs that day) in organizing the parade at Monterey and Huntington and sending it on its way. Jim Pink is the man in charge – call him at 403-8470.

HELP WANTED, or more precisely money wanted, for the Mini-Grant endowment fund honoring Bill Steele – and matched by funds from the Barths and the Kneiers. The drive closes at the end of June. If you've not yet contributed with any amount, big or small, please join in now.

ROTARY SERVICE is our commitment on joining the club, not just enjoying lunches and programs. You're needed to commit to these and other club projects – with thanks for those who've already done their share.

Calendar of Rotary Events for June 2007

JUNE

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| 14 | Noon | Flag Day salute to Service Academy students |
| 14 | 1:35 | Board meets following lunch |
| 21 | Noon | Jim Folsom demonstrates how to pull weeds |
| 28 | Noon | NO MEETING |
| 28 | 6:00 p.m. | Presidential Demotion and Promotion
<i>San Gabriel Country Club – please respond!</i> |



THE ROTOSCOPE

For the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, U.S.A.

June 14: Speaking to Service-bound Youth

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

DETAILS OF MODERN MANAGEMENT can seem insuperable, beyond human abilities, even beyond the power of computers. Planning and conducting wars in distant countries, negotiating and pleading peace among the G-8 nations and the world, designing and building machines that meet our needs while protecting our environment, all seem impossible but good minds keep struggling toward success. Same at San Marino Rotary: struggles over how to respond and how to pay for the June 28th Demotion Dinner involved all our club's top minds last week, with different factions suggesting a credit card link, or a reserve-now-pay-later approach, or even the old-fashioned idea of sending a check with the reservation.

AFTER A DIFFICULT WEEK of discussions, it was finally agreed that you can:

- send a check with your reservation,
- pay by credit card at the club's web site, or
- reserve now, and ask to be billed later.

NO ONE WAS completely satisfied, so it must be a good compromise. The important point is that you do respond, do come, and do enjoy our festive party of the year.

NOW MAYBE ANOTHER of our members can master another seemingly impossible task, that of satisfying those who want a celebrity punished equally as ordinary folk for her legal transgressions, while also satisfying those who think the poor celebrity is being excessively punished because of her notoriety. But that task is really impossible.

HONORARY MEMBER LEE did get off one great sound bite, that some of us are too busy to keep up with the silly soap operas of life.

TWENTY YEARS LATER

A WOMAN HAS JOINED Rotary International's board of directors, first of her sex in top leadership of a group that banned females until Duarte broke the barrier twenty years ago last month.

CATHERINE NOYER-RIVEAU of the Rotary Club of Paris was the first female Rotarian in all France, the first woman in France to serve as a district governor, and now the first female to be on the ladder that leads to Rotary's international presidency.

IF YOU MISSED THEM ...

GRADUATION TIME TOOK several of our members away from last week's meeting, regretful that they didn't hear more from Ing Yih Cheng and Chris Norgaard of their backgrounds and learning that:

ING YIH is a chemist and a banker. He and a group of friends bought a bank many years ago which they sold recently for a nice profit. He became a director of the bank that bought them out, and was recently asked to be a director for a new bank being established by some of his friends. More important, he puts up with Elliott Katz living next door.

CHRIS was involved in the IBM anti-trust case, and said he reviewed a lot of IBM's records without Jack Brown's name on them. Republican Chris said he's a good friend of Democratic candidate Bill Richardson, and sees him frequently to talk about the race. Chris did not tell how Bill could have been born in Pasadena sixty years ago, before jets, and still be back home in Mexico City eight hours post-partum. Remarkable mother, we'd guess.

AS BILL STEELE WOULD DECLAIM, Craft Talks are our best programs.

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And as Wayne always says,
The forecast for tonight: Dark

