

# THE ROTOSCOPE

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

November 1<sup>st</sup>: Atchison Topeka and Pasadena



## IT WAS MAGICAL

**WITH HARD WORK BY** Lynette Sohl, Terry Petrillo, and especially Lucille Norberg – please take a bow, each – our first Night on the Town was magical for those who enjoyed the Yucateca food, flamenco guitar, and splendid margaritas. Only flaw came from several members who said they were coming, then didn't show, sticking the club with a guarantee to pay that left a loss, but that's another story. It was a delightful evening, magical in fact – except that illusionist who performed couldn't make Fred's gavel disappear. Thanks, you three party girls!

**P. K. MUST BE TETCHED** – he's working long hours at Huntington Pharmacy, but has energy enough to open another drug store, south in Bellflower. Other independent pharmacies struggle with the giants, but P.K.'s personal service, gift and cosmetics selections, and his own friendly smile keep our town's last and only drug store busy, thank you.

**P. K. OFFERS HEALTH PROTECTION, TOO:** if you've not yet received a 'flu shot this season, get down to Huntington Pharmacy on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday for your inoculation at P. K. cost. This year's influenza is predicted to be bad, given the dry weather, and you know you're a target. A few weeks are needed to build immunity, so get there now! No wait, painless shot, and you're protected.

**MORE TO PROTECT YOU** – Huntington Pharmacy also gives pneumonia inoculations without prescription, recommended for all over sixty years, and with prescription the new, lifetime protection from the terrible pain of shingles. Call or see your physician for a shingles prescription, and avoid having the chicken pox virus of your youth come back to bring you much agony.

## EARN \$20K ON \$200 INVESTMENT

**THE SCADS OF FINANCIAL ADVISORS** and bankers among our membership will agree it's a great profit: buy just one of only 300 tickets to be sold in Alhambra Rotary 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Reverse Raffle, have your number drawn, and you'll earn \$20,000 (the financial guys can even figure out the profit for you, if you're from SC and don't do math). Our neighbors in our sponsoring club welcome your "investment" in their good cause. Send \$200 for each ticket in a check to "Alhambra Rotary Charities Foundation," PO Box 142, Alhambra 91802.

## HOT "GAME PLAN"

**NATHAN WANG**, our friendly fellow member until his crazy life gave him no time for our luncheons, reports his little "Game Plan" defied all the odds and is the number one movie in the country for the second week in a row. "This was simply not supposed to happen," Nathan bubbles, "but then again neither was our beating Universal's \$90 million dollar "The Kingdom"!

**NATHAN WROTE THE SCORE** for the movie, which pulled ahead of "The Heartbreak Kid, "The Kingdom," and "The Seeker" to earn \$35 million for Disney in two weeks, when it was supposed to garner only about \$10 million.

**"MY PHONE AND EMAIL** hasn't stopped in these two hectic weeks, with all the calls from other studios and producers and agents. Thanks to you, our film is doing beyond Disney's wildest hopes for our modest movie. Positive word of mouth is huge! Please keep telling your friends, cousins, and your Aunt Beth in Tulare to go see it" adds an excited Nathan.

**AND YOU KNEW HIM** when he was just another San Marino Rotarian!

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Fred's Funny this week:

When fish are in school they sometimes take debate.





# Your **ROTSOCPE** for November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

## SPANISH SANTA FE TO BECOME radiomILANO

**YOU REMEMBER THE LAST SANTA FE STATION** on Raymond north of Del Mar, where from the '30s through the dull days of AMTRAK the Chief and the Super Chief paused on their rush trips between Los Angeles and Chicago so movie stars and ordinary Pasadenans could slip aboard. You'll remember the Spanish Revival design, the elegant curved "PASADENA" lettering, the magnificent oak benches on the Bachelder tile interior floors, and the way it all disappeared to storage on a corner of Central Park across Raymond. Well, it's back, to become radiomILANO restaurant later this fall, and the history of the depot and its wealthy passengers forms this week's Rotary program.

**SCOTT MORRIS IS AN IOWA BOY** who fell in love with Pasadena when he moved here last year to help create a branch of the restaurant chain. Scott has assembled great old photographs of the station, and even the earlier Santa Fe station still standing a few yards to the north. Come have fun with this look back at local history.

### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**ONLY NOVEMBER FIRST**, and your new committee assignments for this new Rotary year are posted at the club's web site. Take a look – you may be surprised at some of the jobs you've been supposedly doing over the past four months.

**TWO SIGNIFICANT CHANGES** among our committees:

--**NO ONE** is assigned to Financial Review, so our president's spending is unfettered;

--A new **ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE** will get President Fred on track, or Cathy Raacke, Nico Cifarelli, and Charlie Rasmussen are the ones to blame.

### S. M. ROTARY MOVED

**NO, NOT OUR S. M. BUT ...** Sierra Madre Rotary has moved its weekly breakfast meeting from "The Only Place in Town" to *ANOTHER* place in town: CAFÉ 322, which as you might have guessed is at 322 West Sierra Madre Blvd.

**JON CROWLEY, WHO WAS** raised on Marie's gourmet cooking, says the breakfasts are better. Jon will even buy you a cup of coffee if you tell him that Paul told him to.

**JOIN A MEETING** makeup at Sierra Madre Rotary any Tuesday morning at 7 – happy group, about 40 members, very active with that self-contained town's many activities (and occasional political struggles).

## PUSH IS ON BIG TIME FOR CONVENTION REGISTRATION

**THE EMAIL BULLETINS FROM EVANSTON** are flowing in twice or three times a week, urging us to urge you to register NOW for Rotary International's third convention in Los Angeles on 15-18 June (that's Rotary-speak for June 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008). They also want you to book your air travel to Los Angeles and your hotels for when you get there.

**YOU HAVE PASSED BY** the first early early very early-bird deadline. If you'd paid attention to us over the summer, you could have registered by October 5<sup>th</sup> and received not only the early bird discount but also a free early bird convention pin collector's item that you might have sold already on e-Bay for more than the cost of your ticket. But pay attention now: register on line by the next early-bird deadline of **DECEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>** and you will save \$40. This month, registration is \$235, plus more for each dinner and event. Mid-December, it goes up to \$275, then there are more increases until the price at the door in June may be in the thousands.

**C'MON, NOW: YOU KNOW** you're going to want to go to the first RI convention in our back yard since a failing actor named Ronald Regan headlined the RI convention of 1960 (wonder what happened to him?) You can do it all on line in five minutes at:

[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

## NOVEMBER 2007

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| 1  | Noon                   | Pasadena's Old Train Station                          |
| 6  | Noon on <b>TUESDAY</b> | – Rose Court and school kids at The Huntington        |
| 8  | <b>NO NOON MEETING</b> | – but <b>board meeting</b> , 1:35 at Community Church |
| 15 | Noon                   | Jack Hamilton takes us to the dogs                    |
| 22 | Thanksgiving           | – no Rotary, no make-up requirements                  |
| 29 | Noon                   | District Governor's visit – at a regular luncheon     |