



# Your **ROTSOCPE** for April 3, 2008

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

## **KENYA: A CHRISTIAN NATION?**

**GREG YOST IS A RESIDENT OF TURKANALAND, KENYA.** As our speaker this Thursday, back at Community Church, he will share his experiences and insight into the tribal culture of the area.

**GREG, MINDY,** and their three children are long-time missionaries who have lived and worked in the bush for a number of years, engaged in boosting literacy, sustainable agriculture, and tribal reconciliation among the Turkana. The Turkana people number around a half-million, semi-nomadic family groups mostly engaged in animal husbandry. Turkana land covered around 25,000 square miles in the northwest corner of Kenya, east of Uganda, south of Sudan and Ethiopia, west of Lake Turkana on the edge of the Great Rift Valley. The people are poor but proud, facing not only the strains of poverty cycles brought by weather changes but also the pressures of ancient tribal tensions and wars. Lee Benuska knows you'll find Greg Yost's accounts to be fascinating if discomfoting.

### **LAST-MINUTE REMINDER**

**COUNTING STOPS MONDAY** at midnight, and it's not an April Fool's that we're still short a few members' annual contributions to The Rotary Foundation to make us a "100% Club" for another year. (For whatever reason, Rotary International cuts off its counting three months before the actual end of the club year.)

**REMINDER APPEALS** have gone out to the handful of San Marino Rotarians who aren't yet Sustaining Members for 2006-2007 – "every member, every year" Should you haven't gotten around to paying your share as of yet, please call John Harris (287-6332) by Monday night and tell him you're helping. You have to midnight, but John prefers that you call a bit earlier.

### **SAD NEWS FROM THE CHURCH**

**LEO CORONA,** working as a contract maintenance custodian at San Marino Community Church, was found dead early on Easter Sunday. You may have seen this pleasant young man helping set up for our weekly luncheons at the church, where he has assisted Rotary since we moved over from the old Woman's Club.

**COMMUNITY CHURCH** members and staff have reached out to comfort and support Leo's family with exemplary Christian charity, helping with all the arrangements and with financial assistance. Others are welcome to join in reaching out to this grieving family. Stop at the church office to see if there is a way you can help too.

## **WELCOME BACK, MR. KOTTER OF SAN MARINO HIGH!**

**SAN MARINO HIGH WAS MOVED** by the Pasadena Star-News to the Little Lake School District, a small elementary district out by Norwalk and Santa Fe Springs (we guess our Pasadena reporters were just trying to help Little Lake, which has no high school of its own). The S-N printed principal **Loren Kleinrock's** picture with the SMHS/Little Lake story, which has brought Loren a flurry of fame – at least in Colorado, where a SMHS alumna was startled to see Mr. Kleinrock's dignified, middle-age appearance. She remembers when Mr. K. taught history, special ed., and athletics, and looked like Gabe Kaplan, the Mr. Kotter of television. "I do remember lots of the girls thought he was pretty hot stuff, with lots of mustache and big hair," and she offers a picture from the 1979 TITANIAN yearbook to prove it.

**ACTOR KAPLAN IS ALSO** a champion poker player, earning more than a million dollars in live competition. Does our high school principal play as well? Loren says "no, I don't play poker. But yes, back in the late 1970s I *did* look like Gabe Kaplan, without the income of his TV contract. No one on the school board has ever seen a picture of me from those years, so my double life is safe." At least until now. Chris and Joseph, Kay Cornwell Romer (SMHS 1979) is keeping the picture under wraps, but a decent bribe sent through her parents might bring it out in the open once more and provide a chuckle at the next school board budget meeting.

## **APRIL 2008**

<b>APRIL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Noon</b>	<b>Central African Tribal Wars</b>
	<b>3</b>	<b>1:35</b>	<b>Lois' 2008-2009 board will meet after lunch</b>
	<b>9</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Rotary on the Town at PASEO CANTINA, Paseo Colorado</b>
	<b>10</b>	<b>Noon</b>	<b>A personal, and a District report</b>
	<b>10</b>	<b>1:35</b>	<b>The "old and tired" board meets with Fred after lunch</b>
	<b>17</b>	<b>Noon</b>	<b>Australian group study exchange team</b>
	<b>24</b>	<b>Noon</b>	<b>Nat Read on Don Benito Wilson</b>

# THE ROTOSCOPE

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

April 3: In the Kenyan Bush



## CAROLYN'S MANY HELPERS!

CAROLYN CRAIN BROUGHT ABOUT our fine new public library, but she had many more Rotarian helpers than we listed last month! We're sorry we neglected to acknowledge all our members who joined in building the library, but we're glad to see so many club families who did their share.

BALLANTYNE, BARTH, and BAYLE can take bows for their major supportive efforts, as we've already said. But Emile's persuasive powers brought so many others to contribute:

- Ave and Will Bortz
- Betty and Jack Brown
- Judith and Wayne Carter
- Joseph Chang
- Jeanne and Wray Cornwall
- Marie and Paul Crowley
- Ginny and Stu Cypherd
- Sally and Chris Datwyler
- Lois Derry
- Ann and Gene Dryden
- Sharla and Dick Durant
- Bob Ebert
- Jeff Groseth
- Janice and Jack Hamilton
- Kate and John Harris
- Ellen and Rich Haserot
- Billie and Frank Knolle
- P. K. Lim
- Frank Lin
- Joy and Matthew Lin
- Dennis Magridichian
- Carol and Dick Martin
- Phillip and Lois Matthews
- Ann and Jack McQueen
- Nancy and Carl Minton
- Therese and Lee Mothershead
- Lucille Norberg
- Maureen and Chris Norgaard

## CAROLYN'S HONOR LIST - Continued

- Mary and Bill Platz
- Joan and Bob Redford
- Steve Schultz
- Gwynne and Fritz Seares
- Zehra and George Sun
- Delphine and Len Therrien
- Nancy and Bob Twist
- Winifred and Ken Veronda
- Shirley and Gordon Weaver
- Vanessa and Warren Weber
- Leilani and Alan Weirick
- Jo and Gerry Wolcott
- Rosemary and Warren Yetter

## AND OF COURSE THE STEELES ...

BARBARA AND BILL STEELE were among the first to recognize the library need, and to support it generously. On Bill's passing, San Marino Rotary decided the best way we could honor this fine gentleman and civic leader was to fund computer equipment at the library in his name. Joining the Steele Rotary Fund were:

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|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Tom Kibler      | Dick Cooper   | Shody Chow     |
| Loren Kleinrock | Vivian Chan   | Bob Eichel     |
| Steve Talt      | Dennis Kneier | Jim Thompson   |
| Ben Schmid      | Greg Thompson | Norm Slaughter |
| Tony Jacoy      | Mark Chen     | John McDonald  |
| Lloyd Ownbey    | Orville Houg  | Fred Sohl      |
- And from Paul Crowley, in memory of Alan Wolff

SOUTHWESTERN ACADEMY is non-profit, and not really supposed to use its funds for "outside" causes. But the prep school's families live elsewhere and don't pay for San Marino services, while the students will use the library. Thus Southwestern's Trustees pledged and made a major contribution to the library fund. Southwestern considers itself the gestation place for the library too, as scores of meetings were held on the campus during the feasibility studies that birthed the library campaign.

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Fred's Funny this week:  
Always use tasteful words.  
You might have to eat them.

