



# Your **ROTSOPE** for April 17, 2008

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

## FRIENDS FROM DOWN UNDER VISITING THIS WEEK

**YOU KNOW MELBOURNE**, but you probably don't know the farming area and towns north and east of Australia's second-biggest city that form the Rotary district sending us four delightful representatives who visit all this week around San Marino and who will meet with us Thursday. The Group Study Exchange team includes two police officers, an environmental worker, and a dietitian by career, with a Rotarian leader, **Peter Morley**, who's officially an accountant but unofficially an expert in marvelous reds from the vineyards of their region. Come and meet **Narelle Beer**, a senior sergeant in charge of a station of the Victorian (their state) Police Force; **Rhonda Day**, landcare coordinator for her Shire of Campaspe, supporting environmental education in her area; **Lucien Deane-Johns**, an accredited practicing dietitian and a diabetes educator; and **Tim Forster**, a police officer concerned with local youth "copy cats" of U. S. problem juveniles. That describes their careers, but their warm personalities and varied interests are what you'll really enjoy feeling at this week's Rotary luncheon.

### MORE HOSTS NEEDED IN L.A.

**THE LA HOST COMMITTEE** beg for more helpers to greet the tens of thousands coming for R.I.'s 2008 convention, and it's a splendid way for you to be involved while meeting some fascinating Rotarians. Many more volunteers are needed, and you can give just a few hours or several days, as you wish. To be a greeter, sign up this month by going to:

[www.rotary2008.com](http://www.rotary2008.com)

click on **LA Host Organizing Committee**  
then at the top on **Volunteer**  
then click **Volunteer Application**

Fill it out, and indicate that you'd like to be a Greeter. At the same site, of course, you can register for all or part of the convention, if you've not yet done so.

### WHERE'D SOUTH PAS GO?

**ONE OF OUR MEMBERS** hasn't been paying attention. He or she (I won't tell!) went to the South Pas YMCA to make up at Rotary last Tuesday, and no one at the desk knew where the club had gone.

**SOUTH PAS ROTARY** moved four months ago, as reported here, but who reads Rotoscope anyway? It didn't move very far – right across Oak Street to  
**Oneonta Congregational Church**  
Garfield at Oak

**SOUTH PAS MEETS** Tuesdays at 12:15. Lots of parking in the church lot off Garfield. We hear the caterer is good. Just don't ask about the 710 freeway.

## COME SEE THE SMILES! – TAKES JUST A FEW MINUTES

**THE WORK IS ALREADY DONE** by our Reading by Nine committee, with the help of the Southwestern Interact Club – and now you can come for the fun part. Two of our three elementary school classes receiving books from our club will gather next week for morning assemblies, and it's a delightful experience for you to see the smiles as each kid is presented with a gift book to read. Your presence shows the youngsters that the community cares about them. Get it on your calendar and join Will Bortz and the committee for a few minutes to see San Marino Rotary service in action:

**Thursday, April 24, 8:30 am** at Washington Accelerated School, 1520 North Raymond, Pasadena, an easy fifteen blocks north of Colorado, north of Washington Blvd. on the east side of Raymond, or take Lake to Washington and turn right a mile to Raymond. Parking is available on the street or in the school lot.

**Friday, April 25, 8:00 am** at Longfellow Elementary School, 1065 East Washington, Pasadena, just east of Lake Avenue on the north side of Washington. Again, there should be easy parking on the street or in the school lot.

**THE THIRD PRESENTATION** will be in Rosemead at Sanchez Elementary, but the date is not yet set.

## APRIL / MAY 2008

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17 Noon Australian group study exchange team

24 Noon Nat Read on Don Benito Wilson

### MAY

1 Noon Finally (we hope): program on Feng Shui, delayed 3x

8 Noon Building modern outdoor sports arenas

8 1:35 Fred's elderly board gathers for cigars after lunch

15 Noon Spring program

22 Noon Frank Knolle's flights into Templehof Airport

# THE ROTOSCOPE

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

April 17: Aussie Group Study Team



## DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMING

**WE RECEIVED NOTICE** April 12<sup>th</sup> to tell you that discounted hotel rates are being held until April 10<sup>th</sup> for the District Conference. We called the Irvine Marriott Hotel a few minutes ago, and their desk person says some rooms are still available at \$99 a night, if you hurry. Call Marriott at **800-228-9290**. If their national reservations office gives you a higher rate, call the hotel directly at **949-553-0100**. Because of the International Convention in L.A., and our need to prepare for that, the district conference will be earlier than usual:

**April 24 – 27**  
**IRVINE MARRIOTT HOTEL**  
**18000 Von Karman Avenue, Irvine**

**AN IBM "THINK PAD"** has been donated by Lenovo as a prize in the conference raffle, which already has many other rich rewards. Friday night's speaker is a past district governor, John Capps, and on Saturday the RI president's representative, Bryn Styles, speaks. Friday is full with leadership sessions followed by the 4-Way Speech Contest at lunch, with our San Marino winner one of the contestants – come support him! The Dan Stover competition is at lunch on Saturday, with our Australian GSE team talking about what they've seen in California and Nevada, while the American GSE team describes their beer and barbies month in Oz.

**IT'S JUST ABOUT AN HOUR** from here to there – if you're smart enough to avoid rush hours. Out the 210, down the 57, along the 5 to Irvine and the Marriott, right near the entrance to Big John Wayne's airport. Come for a few hours, one day, or all convention – support our club president Fred – celebrate the district accomplishments. Easy registration at the district web page:

[www.district5300.org/conference/index.html](http://www.district5300.org/conference/index.html)

## SHE'S GETTING TOUGH!

**INCOMING PRESIDENT LOIS MATTHEWS** threatens nasty consequences for members who don't return her form for committee preferences. If it seems as if you just received committee assignments a few weeks ago, that's because the current ones didn't get out until the holidays. But once a woman takes over, Rotarians need to get with it – she's really *organized*, and you'd better help her OR ELSE, hear? Please return your form PDQ. Dire punishment comes to those who delay, up to and including the very worst dirty job Lois can assign, that of writing and sending her bulletins next year. Email her if you need a form. She's standing by, even at 3 am.

## GRACIAS, SENORITAS

**LUCILLE AND THE SOCS** pulled it off again! Though it's really tough getting elderly Rotarians up tapping and clapping to mariachi, especially after dark, the third "Night on the Town" was yet another success.

**LUCILLE SELECTED** the menu (including the perch that tasted just like salmon!) Lucille greeted us, Lucille stamped the parking validation, Lucille sent us off to the bar and tables, Lucille served us, poured more drinks, paid the bill, then washed the dishes. It's true that Terry helped, but Lucille was singing and dancing with the band and Terry didn't. In the interest of full disclosure, Lucille sent over two strong Margaritas to your bulletin editor. We would have said nice things about her for only one Margarita, but since Terry didn't send any drinks our way, our praise goes to Lucille for a delightful evening at El Paseo Cantina.

**WHAT NEXT?** Have you an interesting place, not too spiffy, not too far away, big enough for 65-70 or so, willing to serve Rotarians? We've tried El Patio, Beckham's, and now the Cantina. Maybe something Chinese, French, barbecue, Japanese? If you've an idea, tell Lucille. Maybe she'll pay you off with a drink or two.

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**Fred's Funny this week:**  
Ask our GSE from Oz if their local access networks  
are really the LAN down under

