



# Your **ROTSOCPE** for September 18, 2008

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

## HANDS-ON PROJECT FOR OUR CLUB AND DISTRICT

**"CORAZON" HAS THE SYSTEM** down to a smooth process: they select needy families in Baja California, prepare a site and slab floor for a new home or addition, assemble the materials, and turn it over to Rotary volunteers to erect and finish the dwelling in one busy Saturday (the date's not yet on line). Our district has pledged to build three new houses and two additions on a Saturday in May, and that's where you come in. Some 210 Rotary volunteers are needed – not just to hammer, roof, and paint, but also to feed the gang, baby-sit the children, present some classes to the Mexican families, provide health care clinics, and help have a rich and satisfying experience. For a bit of fun, time for golf is also provided, but the real purpose of the day is to change the lives of worthy families. This Thursday, some of our District's leaders in the one-day-build "Corazon" for 2009 will come to share pictures of their successes last spring, and to ask for help from our club. Cash is needed, of course, as well as able bodies of all shapes, sizes, and ages – perfect for teens too. Tim Harrigan gave a day, and can vouch for the pleasures involved.

### FAIR FOR FREE

**COME PARK, SEE, ENJOY** the Los Angeles County Fair *for free* and help Rotary's grand PolioPlus project at the same time – by peddling \$20 raffle tickets to fairgoers, with a red classic Corvette convertible as the draw. It's the concept of Pomona Rotary, but you're needed to take a shift or two at the Pomona Fairplex from now through the month. Blocks are four hours each, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., but you can stay and enjoy the fair any time during those hours. Four to six Rotarians or family members are needed in each shift. To find hours and days open for you call Daniel Thomas, **714-337-5669**.

### "ENTERTAINMENT" BOOKS

**2008-2009 ENTERTAINMENT** books are available for \$20 each, with all proceeds going to the Bill Steele Mini Grant Program. Here's another 'blurb' for Debbie Priester's project, offering the coupon books that pay you back by cutting costs of meals, theater tickets, and many other attractions around the San Gabriel Valley, and also pays Rotary back with proceeds going to S.M. Rotary Charities. Debbie has local books in her office, and can order others all over the USA. Call her at **440-1959** and say you saw the blurb, or see if she has a book for you at Thursday's meeting.

## THE D.A.'S GONE – THE RAFFLE'S ON

**IT'S REALLY NOT A GAME OF CHANCE** – it takes real skill to draw the right card and win half the big pot! The Joker's back in a fresh new deck, and he who finds him gets 50% of the sales, with the other half going to San Marino Rotary Charities to fund our club's donations to local groups, mostly working with our youth.

**NOT EVEN D.A. COOLEY** can complain of our good cause, and of our skillful game. Starting this week at Rotary, buy a chance – no, buy a *ticket* that might let you try your skill at finding the joker in the deck. So simple – you buy a ticket, have your ticket chosen, then step forth and draw the Joker, and it's half yours! If you draw a number-card, you get that number of dollars back – couldn't be easier. And it all depends on your skill.

**IF YOU NEED TO PRACTICE**, skills include:

- shuffling and cutting the deck, while slipping the Joker up your sleeve without being noticed by 200 eyes focused on you;
- arranging the raffle tickets so your own is on top and slightly sticky, or offering to split your winnings with the person drawing the ticket then stiffing him/her;
- pulling out the Joker from your sleeve and pretending to find it in the deck, but only when the pot has grown enough to please you.

## SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER 2008

### SEPTEMBER

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| <b>18</b> | <b>Noon</b> | <b>Building three houses in one busy Saturday</b> |
| <b>25</b> | <b>Noon</b> | <b>Bringing NFL Football back to Los Angeles</b>  |

### OCTOBER

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| <b>1</b> | <b>Evening</b> | <b>"Rotary on the Town" – to Arcadia</b> |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Noon</b>    | <b>Isaac Hung and John Schaefer</b>      |
| <b>9</b> | <b>Noon</b>    | <b>Russ Osmonson and Gary Woods</b>      |

# THE ROTOSCOPE

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

September 18: Corazon project



## MOTHER MATTHEWS' HELPERS

**LOIS HAS MORE HELPERS** stirring the soup around Rotary, chopping, scrubbing, preparing ... more helpers than we realized, and we apologize to those who have been ignored so far this term in this bulletin. We've always listed the Executives and the Directors, with their home addresses, phones, and email, at the bottom of the weekly bulletin for your ease in communicating with them. We took Lois' Organization Chart of mid-June and listed the usual, plus those we thought were the committee chairmen – the first Rotarian named under each committee. But we were wrong – sorry!

**LOIS HAS CO-CHAIRS** for each of the ten committees, except the bulletin committee. We've been listing only one, and neglecting the other co-chair. A co-chair thought Lois forgot him. Lois forgets nothing. It's not at all Lois' fault, but all mine in misinterpreting the Organization Chart.

**THE OFFICERS' BOX BELOW** should now be complete, with all the 26 important helpers in Lois' administration. Thus the "Membership" committee's two chairs are Gene Dryden AND Dan Floyd; "External PR" is John Wallace AND Jack McQueen; "Internal PR" is Terry Petrillo AND Lucille Norberg, "Club Administration" is Wray Cornwell AND John Rizzi; "Vocational Service" is Warren Weber AND Peter Corzo; "Community Service" is Will Bortz AND John Donovan; "Youth Service" is Deborah Priester AND Jim Pink; and the "Program Committee" is both Chris Norgaard AND Matt Ballantyne.

**THERE! HOPE THAT'S INCLUSIVE** and complete! But if I've messed up again, please don't blame Lois – send an email or call the "Bulletin news or gripes" contact at the bottom of the pile of helpers, and dump on me, not our president.

## WIN ONE, LOSE ONE

**MARGIE LOWE-FRANCIS** popped up all around town last week, working hard in planning a big Huntington Hospital gala, enjoying lunch at The Athenaeum, and peddling her fashions at – where else? – Margie's. The bounce is back, the spirit is bubbling, the eyes sparkle – our old Margie (sorry, Margie's not *old*, but you know what I mean) Margie's back in town! She is sporting a short hair style that is quite becoming, which she calls her "Oncology Do". But anything Margie sports looks good. Stop at the shop and say 'hi' – unless she's out gallivanting all over town as she was out doing last week (don't wear yourself out, Margie – we need you healthy from now on!).

**JACK FLYNN** has resigned from the club. Jack joined in 1981, one of many inspired by Bill Steele to be good Rotarians, and Jack more than met Bill's hopes. Jack and Jackie are both Paul Harris Fellows, and Jack was generous with his time in helping several club projects, with particular interest in the Mini-Grant program for teachers in the community. Jack has been dumping more appraisal work at Anchor Pacific on Will Bortz, and plans to take it a bit easier now, including missing our Thursday meetings. We'll miss him too.

## ANOTHER "ON THE TOWN"

**OUT EAST OF THE TRACK** in the Oak Tree Room at 1150 West Colorado in Arcadia, we've the first "Rotary on the Town" of Lois' term on Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. If you've not yet responded we hope you will do so soon! Deadline is Wednesday, September 24, when the guarantee must be given the restaurant so Lucille MUST have your reservation by then. A check for \$35 per person (inclusive dinner) gets you in the door and feeds you well. Send your check to Lucille Norberg, 1872 West Drive, San Marino. If you can't come, please let them know so they won't be out to remind you.

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Muddling Matthews Says:

It was all so different before everything changed.