



Your **ROTSOCPE** for
Thursday, May 14, 2009

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

NO LUNCH THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY CHURCH – IT'S TIME FOR

THE MAY FIESTA

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at THE OLD MILL

Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres will be served in the Pomegranate Court

Dress is "Casual Attire" – that's San Marino Casual, we presume

ROTARY CHARITIES' BIG DRAWING
will be held at
7:00 p.m.

*Your last opportunity to win some fabulous prizes
will be from six to seven.*

*Bring your checkbook,
as it's all tax-deductible – and all proceeds go to
some worthy local causes!*

ALL THE NEWS THAT'S FIT TO CLICK

RI INVITES YOU TO stay on top of all the news in the world of Rotary, including progress with PolioPlus and many great projects being performed around the world by clubs and districts.

THERE ARE SEVERAL WAYS offered by the Evanston headquarters for you to keep up with Rotary:

THE WEEKLY UPDATE NEWSLETTER is delivered to your inbox if you sign up at www.rotary.org (click on "Media and News" and you'll see where to do it). Each week, you'll receive four or five RI news stories.

INTERACTIVE is Rotary's monthly online news publication, with YouTube videos of club service projects, multimedia pieces produced by clubs and districts, and news of RI's meetings and activities. Go to www.rotary.org/interactive to subscribe and to submit your links, stories, and ideas.

YOUR VOICE, YOUR SOLUTION is something new, a problem-solving forum where each month Rotarians worldwide are asked to swap advice on a specific challenge that clubs face. This month's topic is how to make programs interesting, for example. Offer your take on this, or on other monthly questions, and read what others have to say by clicking the link at the home page: www.rotary.org.

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| 14 | Noon | DARK – NO NOON MEETING |
| 14 | 6-8 p.m. | THE MAY FIESTA at the Old Mill
<i>Last call to respond by May 1th</i> |
| 20 | 6:00 p.m. | Night on the Town at the Doubletree in Monrovia
<i>Reservations now closed – all full</i> |
| 21 | Noon | We meet at the San Marino Public Library – Art Contest |
| 21 | 1:35 p.m. | Board meets for an hour after our library program |

THE ROTOSCOPE

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

May 14: THE FIESTA, 6-8 pm at the Old Mill



MORE FROM OUR PRECOCIOUS FIRST GRADERS

YEAH, THEY SOUND A BIT TOO CLEVER, but today's primary-school students have seen and heard it all. Look at the last one if you don't believe that the Modern World has reached these bright beginners. Remember that the teacher gave each child half a well-known proverb, and asked them to come up with the rest:

HAPPY IS THE BRIDE THAT *gets all the presents.*

A PENNY SAVED IS *not much.*

TWO'S COMPANY, THREE'S *the Musketeers.*

DON'T PUT OFF TILL TOMORROW WHAT *you put on to go to bed.*

LAUGH AND THE WHOLE WORLD LAUGHS WITH YOU, CRY AND *you have to blow your nose.*

THERE ARE NONE SO BLIND AS *Stevie Wonder.*

CHILDREN SHOULD BE SEEN AND NOT *spanked or grounded.*

IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED, *get new batteries.*

WHEN THE BLIND LEAD THE BLIND, *get out of their way.*

A BIRD IN THE HAND *is going to poop on you.*

YOU GET OUT OF SOMETHING ONLY WHAT *you see in the picture on the box.*

BETTER LATE THAN *pregnant.*

OUR AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR-HOPEFULS

TWO BRIGHT YOUNG WOMEN sponsored by our club were interviewed late last month at the District competition, along with ten other candidates for the five scholarships available to 5300 scholars for 2011-2012. Nine Rotarians asked the questions, including Jeff Groseth, who sits on the district's Ambassadorial Scholar committee.

ALL THE CANDIDATES appeared in person (none needed to be interviewed by videoconference, as Bill Payne arranged last year), and each had 25 minutes to talk of his or her accomplishments. Jeff says every one was impressive.

SAN MARINO'S TWO CANDIDATES returned to their junior year's spring semesters to wait for the district's choices to be announced:

KAI ALLEN was raised and lives in Exeter, Pennsylvania, but attends Occidental College locally so she became one of our club's choices. Kai would like to attend the Universidad Computensede Madrid in Spain, to study journalism with a fascinating focus on human rights activism through independent media including blogging.

MEGHAN HASLAM is a San Marino girl, attending Southern Methodist. She would study economics at the University of Hyderabad, Andhra, India, with an emphasis on environmental, labor, and public policy.

BILL PAYNE, as he has done so faithfully for a couple of decades now, searched for the right juniors, interviewed them to choose our club's candidates, prepared them for the district's all-important interview, got them to the competition – and sits now chewing his nails and waiting to hear if we've placed one or two scholars. You'll hear his loud cheers all over town if we do. Thanks, Bill!

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THE OLDER WE GET,
THE FEWER THINGS SEEM WORTH WAITING IN LINE FOR.