



Your **ROTOSCOPE** for Thursday, July 2 / 9, 2009

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

NO MEETING JULY 2nd

LET'S GET ASSOCIATED on July 9 AT THE SIGN OF THE FLYING A!

We meet July 9 at Aaron Weiss' Classic Collection in his **FLYING A GARAGE** – on **WALNUT** at **SAN GABRIEL Blvd.**, PASADENA
(Northeast corner, east end of building – easy street parking)

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED among some thirty lovely old ladies in Aaron and Valerie's collection, including a '42 Town and Country Chrysler woody, a beautiful '58 El Dorado, Rolls and Cadillacs, and my favorite, a 1937 Cord Phaeton.

THE WEISS' ARE WELCOMING US with the hope that we'll also bring family and friends to the first SAN MARINO GRAND CLASSIC CAR SHOW in Lacy Park on July 11th. Info and tickets are at www.SanMarinoGrandClassic.com.

AS EMILE'S OFF DUTY and Lois fled to France we're stuck with Bob Nafie presiding. Oh, well, come for the cars.

FIRST QUARTER DUES BILLING

ROTARY RUNS ON A July 1st – June 30th budget year, and it's time for our club to pay dues to the district, to International, and to cover our liability insurance bills – so it's time for each member to help by paying first quarter dues, up by a few dollars this new year to cover some increased costs. You should have received your statement, and if you're on automatic billing, thanks for already paying so painlessly. If you've any question about your bill, call treasurer Dennis Kneier at 578-1109.

GRAD NIGHT 2009

A FAITHFUL CREW turned out after midnight to continue Rotary's tradition of helping with games at San Marino High's "Grad Night" party – and some such as **Dennis Kneier** came early, just to enjoy the hypnotist entertainer. Dennis was impressed – with him, and with what young ladies are wearing. Other all-night workers were **Jeff Groseth, Dennis Magrdichian, John McClurg, Chris Norgaard, John Schaefer, Steve Talt, and Gary Woods.**

"IT'S TIME TO PLAY BALL WITH FLYING A"

REMEMBER THEIR SPONSORING OF Yankees baseball and PCC football, along with other Southern California sports? Our elderly male members remember, though of course none of our females are old enough to recall the "Flying A". Along with their magnificent classic cars, the Weiss family has collected some marvelous memories in signs that brightened Route 66, 101, 99, and other California roads of our youth.

THERE WAS THE GOLDEN EAGLE, flapping its neon wings, and the Good Gulf Gas signs. The orange 76 ball came a bit later, though my favorites were always the beacons along 99 spelling out **R I C H F I E L D** in the Central Valley (they gave away packets of wildflower seeds, too, which I'd pour out the window from the back seat, fancying how I was making California beautiful). Changes in the petroleum marketing companies are as confusing as the lineages in Genesis: The Flying A's Tidewater Petroleum begat Getty Oil, which begat Conoco, which begat Phillips 66, which begat Chevron, now Chevron/Texaco, though there's no more Texaco Stars in California – but you'll see them all at the Flying A Garage at Rotary on Thursday. Test your memory my dearie, do you remember when? Come reminisce while the Weiss' host us on July 9th.

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2		NO MEETING – RESTING UP FOR THE GLORIOUS FOURTH
9	Noon	MEET AT FLYING "A" GARAGE
16	Noon	Program under negotiation
23	Noon	Nam Jack with a story to tell about her father in Korea
30	Noon	More negotiations under way – but it'll be good

THE ROTOSCOPE

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

July 2: NO MEETING July 9: at the "Flying A"



GETTING BIGGER

REMEMBER BACK WHEN we all talked about our bright young new City Manager? Matt Ballantyne is aging, even faster than other Rotarians. Pressures from the mean old Mayor Eugene and council members are dimming Matt's vision. Evidence is all over San Marino at every street corner.

CITY STREET SIGNS have been in the same dull old type style for years:

**Huntington Drive
Shenandoadoduah Road**

which only young folk like our new City Manager could read (fire fighters had to memorize the streets, so they didn't have to learn how to read the signs). The skinny signs stretched out from posts at each intersection, but even those few drivers who follow our speed limits didn't have a chance to read what was on them.

AS MATT'S EYESIGHT FADES, he has his street crews out putting up great big slabs of metal with all cap and sans serif type even our Senior Actives can read at 50 or 60 mph or whatever they can get away with driving past John Schaefer's motor boys hiding in the shadows along the drive:

HUNTINGTON DRIVE BAYLE BOULEVARD

BIG. BOLD. MODERN. Matt's spending our Police/Fire/Paramedic parcel taxes for a good cause, posting signs even he can read without his glasses. And to recoup the costs, Matt is happy to sell you his old signs to put up in your garage or family room:

**Nafie Alley
Haserot Trot
Kneier Way**

ROOSTERS FIGHTING OVER HENS?

WE WERE CASTIGATED by the District last year for poking fun at Rotary's international logo, with its Cookie-Monster mouth swallowing a comma, if you remember. So we're not going to even consider a comment about this 2009-2010 design fresh out of Evanston's logo-factory, not even to suggest we hope you wash your hands first with a good soap. Please consult with Elliott Katz or Lee Mothershead, our two club wits for the witless, to decide for yourself what this new symbol may mean. (Note: our USC grads may also wish to talk with Elliott or Lee to find out what "castigated" means. It's not what they're thinking. I'm still definitely male.)

SO WHERE'S OUR WALDO?

LOOKING FOR OUR PRESIDENT EMILE? He skipped town the morning after he was installed, smart guy that he is. He spent a glorious week in Birmingham, England, sitting around the pubs and touring the smokestacks of the factory zone when not wandering around Rotary's international convention. But now he's in Luxembourg.

LUXEMBOURG? FOR A WEEK? Why? Good reason: Emile's twin brother, Andre Duval Bayle, lives there. The two were named after their grandfathers, Andre after the maternal one. They're beginning a new decade on earth, together in Mamer, Andre's town about 10 kilometers from Luxembourg City. Any further, you'd be in France, where Tinker wants to do some browsing anyway.

ON THE WAY FROM Luxembourg to home, the Bayles are stopping off in Alaska. No, it's not on the route; it's not at all logical, except it's the last of 50 states for Emile and Tinker to visit. They'll drive south from Anchorage to spend a few days on the Kenai Peninsula, then board one of those big cruise ships that ply the Alaskan peninsular waters each summer before landing in Vancouver and maybe even stop to see his club.

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EMILE'S PHILOSOPHIES:

**Do not walk behind me, for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow.
Do not walk beside me either. Just pretty much leave me alone.**