



Your **ROTOSCOPE** for **Thursday, July 16, 2009**

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

TAKE YOUR PICK OF A PROGRAM

THERE ARE SEVERAL POSSIBILITIES for an entertaining program after Rotary's luncheon and business meeting concludes this week:

***LOIS MATTHEWS** has been invited to demonstrate her high school cheerleading routine and her shrill whistling skills;

***EMILE BAYLE** could show his Kodachrome slides of exciting downtown Birmingham, if he can find a processor for his rolls, or he could describe his making a wrong turn in Luxembourg City and finding himself in three other nations;

***GARY WOODS** will direct the school board Barbershop Quartet in their selections from "The Music Man";

***BOB NAFIE** will read aloud from the story time collection in his first graders' library;

BUT MOST LIKELY, UNLESS HE COMES UP WITH SOMETHING BETTER RATHER QUICKLY:

***CHRIS NORGAARD** will lecture on changing Federal statutes regarding intellectual property protection.

MEMO TO YOU FROM LLOYD OWNBEY

MY FELLOW ROTARIAN, LOIS MATTHEWS, pledged on behalf of our club the equivalent of \$50 per member for each of the next three years to eradicate polio from the world in three years. Due to the leadership of the Rotary International Foundation, the great majority of countries have succeeded in eradicating polio in their borders, as well as providing immunizations of children against childhood diseases. Wars have been stopped for the time necessary to provide vaccines to all parties. It is eliminated in all but parts of India, Nigeria, Pakistan, and Afghanistan.

ROTARY AROUND THE WORLD is seeking to meet Bill and Melinda's two hundred million matching grant, e.g. Rotarians have successfully placed projected End Polio Now on the world's most iconic buildings, including the splendors of the Coliseum in Rome, the magnificence of the Sydney Opera House, the spectacular Table Mountain over Capetown, the grandeur of the Houses of Parliament, and Greenock Town Hall in Scotland where that PR plan first began. We are seeking to project similar images in San Marino this year.

OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL RAISED OVER \$2,000. One member alone has given in excess of \$1,000 toward our goal. The polio pig has raised about \$700. To meet our goal for this fiscal year, we need the equivalent of \$30 per person dated June 30, 2009. After you read this memorandum, send your check to John S. Harris, 8310 Youngdale Road, San Gabriel, California 91725. Many of you made a pledge several months ago, and now is the time to fill that pledge and, for those who have not, I earnestly ask that you contribute as well. This has been a year of many events and fundraising that have caused a delay in asking for your support of this vital cause.

NEXT YEAR WE INTEND TO fully involve the community in stopping this dreaded disease. Remember prior to the vaccine, the iron lungs and crippled people in the USA. This is a contagious disease which can be spread by anyone in those four areas traveling to another country. Except for the current recession, traveling is increasing every year.

MY CHECK IS IN THE MAIL. MAY I COUNT ON YOURS?

LLOYD

JULY / AUGUST 2009

JULY

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

AUGUST

6	Noon	Well, August is so far away we can't worry about it now
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THE ROTOSCOPE

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

July 16: Luncheon Meeting as Usual



MEN ARE NEVER DEPRESSED

A FEMALE MEMBER of our club, the only member of her sex who's part of president Bayle's leadership team but one who does not want her name revealed, has been musing why depression never affects males. She notes:

MEN ARE JUST HAPPIER PEOPLE. What do you expect from such simple creatures? Their last name stays put. The garage is all theirs. Wedding plans take care of themselves. Chocolate is just another snack. They can never be pregnant. They can wear a white T-shirt to a water park. They can wear NO shirt to a water park. Car mechanics tell them the truth. The world is their urinal. They never have to drive to another gas station restroom because this one is just too icky. They don't have to stop and think which way to turn a nut on a bolt. Same work, more pay. Wrinkles give them character. Wedding dress \$3500, Tux rental \$75. People never stare at their chests when talking to them.

MALE PHONE CONVERSATIONS are over in 30 seconds flat. They know stuff about tanks. A five-day vacation requires only one suitcase. They can open their own jars. They get extra credit from us for even the slightest acts of thoughtfulness. Their underwear is \$3.99 for a three-pack. Three pairs of shoes are more than enough. They almost never have strap problems in public. Everything on their faces stays its original color. The same hairstyle lasts for years, maybe decades. They only have to shave their faces and necks. They can play with toys all their lives. One wallet, one pair of shoes, one color for all seasons. They can wear shorts no matter how badly their legs look. They can do their nails with a pocket knife. They have freedom of choice concerning growing a moustache. They can Christmas-shop for 25 relatives in 25 minutes on December 24th. No wonder men are happier.

GREAT GIFT WHILE HELPING OTHERS

DEBBIE PRIESTER PRESENTED a check for \$170 for use by San Marino Rotary Charities, the "profit" over the past few months from selling ENTERTAINMENT handbooks. Good deal! These directories (Debbie has the San Gabriel Valley edition, but she can order books for most areas of the United States and Canada) offer many coupons for major discounts on restaurant meals, movie tickets, hotel/motel stays, museum entries, and so forth here at home, nearby, and around the country. The \$20 pays for itself with one or two uses, and generates funds for our club donations to local causes. See Debbie for an excellent gift for couples struggling to squeeze out entertainment money from tight budgets – your children, office associates maybe?

WHERE'S WALDO NOW?

WALDO BAYLE SHOULD BE HOME this week, though now that Tinker's been bitten by the travel bug they may have headed for another spot after being in North America, England, Luxembourg, and Alaska over the last month. If you see our president at the lectern this week for the first time in the month that has passed since his induction, that means Bayle's back. You can't miss him, our big old Club Marshmallow.

WHY LUXEMBOURG? Why because Emile's twin brother Andre lives there, and they were celebrating another birthday together.

WHY ALASKA? Why because that's the last state the Bayles had left to visit, giving them all fifty.

WHY THE KENAI? Why because Tinker wanted to see bears catching salmon, before a cruise along the panhandle.

WHAT NOW? Emile says maybe no more big journeys for them. Nonsense. Once he hears the hoarse blast of a cruise ship whistle, sees a jet contrail streaming across the skies, smells the ocean and remembers the beauty of driving the California coast, he'll be ready to taste more travel to new places or to redo old pleasure spots. Just watch.

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EMILE'S PHILOSOPHIES:

It's always darkest before dawn.

So if you're going to steal your neighbor's newspaper, that's the time to do it.