



# Your **ROTSCOPE** for **Thursday, July 30, 2009**

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

## ON PUBS, BEARS, AIRPORTS, AND HOW TO GET THOROUGHLY LOST

**EMILE TOOK TINKER FLYING EAST** to attend RI's international convention in England, got lost in a little principality, and somehow ended up out west with the bears on the Kenai Peninsula, causing the Alaskan governor to give up and resign as soon as the Bayles arrived. These adventures are worth retelling, and Emile plans to use up all the meeting today in describing their wanderings. Don't moan! – he is our president, he can fine the scooters, and he deserves the opportunity to explain how he found his twin in Luxembourg, missed the Frankfurt Airport, discovered a great pub in Birmingham, toured Detroit, lived with the bears in his back yard, and cruised the glaciers to Vancouver. If he leaves himself any time, he'll discuss all he saw of international projects at the convention, and how we plans to use these ideas back home with us.

**NOTE WELL:**            **AUGUST 6<sup>TH</sup> MEETING is at CROWELL LIBRARY**  
**AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup> back at COMMUNITY CHURCH to welcome the district governor.**

### GO NUMBER 535!!

**ONE MEMBER FINISHED** the Tribune's 5<sup>th</sup> annual 5K Run & Walk on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July: **BOB TWIST** placed 535, beating Nancy (542). Don't snicker – no other Rotarian finished, though president Emile's granddaughter Emily (402) ran for the Barth family and Maureen (543) represented the Norgaards (we presume Chris was busy organizing programs for August). And they all beat a former athlete from a local jock school: Pat Haden, late of those Trojans, was second-from-last at 567.

### R.I.'s GROWTH, VIDEOS, ETC.

**LAST WEEK'S BULLETIN** included news from Evanston on areas of Rotary membership growth, new videos from R.I., special plans of the new international president – and even news of Dolly Parton. Our members who receive the print version of Rotoscope know all about these things (at least those who *read* this rag know it), but electrons flowed slowly in the heat wave so those reading on line missed all this good stuff. It's posted now at the club's web site, if you didn't see what's happening in the Rotary world.

## HELP NEEDED – IN BRAZIL AND IN OUR OWN CLUB FAMILY

**GREG THOMPSON SEEKS CANDIDATES** to join our district's next Group Study Exchange, a team going to northeastern Brazil in the spring of 2010. Members must be ages 25 to 40, who have worked in their current field at least two years, and who live or work in our district. They *cannot* be close relations of a Rotarian. The GSE members must be flexible, cheerful, in excellent health, outgoing, adventurous, and able to speak or learn some basic Luso-Brazilian Portuguese. The Rotary Foundation and the host Rotary district in Brasil pay almost everything – round-trip transportation, visiting meals, accommodations, intra-country transportation. Team members must cover their personal and incidental expenses – and usually must be able to be salaried back home, to cover their mortgages, loans, and other expenses. Much more information and the Team Member Application for 2010 Exchange with Brasil is at [www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en\\_pdf/160en.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/160en.pdf). The application must be mailed **by August 28** to Doug Fowler, the district's GSE chair this year, at American Security Bank, 16020 Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley, CA 92307. Greg Thompson is our club contact who can help also with questions and details.

**HOWARD TOPP SEEKS HELP** in calming our growing numbers of non-male members in San Marino Rotary who have noticed after a month that Emile's new Rotary Board is all male – well, except for Lois, but past presidents are irrelevant. Howard's fearful that a complaint may be filed with the EEOC. He has volunteered to join a Soroptimist Club to balance things in becoming their token male. Other ideas?

## JULY / AUGUST 2009

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**30            Noon            Emile reports on RI Convention – and the Bayles' wanderings**

### AUGUST

**6            Noon            Meet at Crowell Library – see what's new while we lunch**

**13            Noon            District Governor's official visit, back at Community Church**

**20            Noon            To be announced, sooner or later**

**27            Noon            Congressman David Dreier reports in from Washington**

# THE ROTOSCOPE

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

July 30: Emile's Wanderings



## HAIL AND FAREWELL!

**NORM SLAUGHT** sailed through triple bypass surgery on June 29, then spent six days at Huntington Hospital, and now is recovering at home. He's complaining that his chest hurts (whatever did he expect, having had his chest opened for repairs?) – but he's already signed up for an over-age-80 seniors tennis tournament in San Diego next April. You'll recall it is exactly a year ago when Norm had a massive heart attack while playing tennis, and how his tennis buddies gave him CPR for the fifteen minutes it took for the paramedics to arrive. He had two stents installed that time, and was back to tennis soon enough. These new blockages couldn't be opened with stents, hence the bypass surgery. Norm plans to be ready for tennis soon – but reluctantly resigns his membership in Rotary, knowing this mending will take a bit more time. Claire and Norm would enjoy hearing from you!

**JACK AND BETTY BROWN** sold their home in San Marino and will be moving into condo living near their kids on that other coastline. "East is east and West is west. They've lived in both and like each best," they write in a real cop-out, refusing to take sides. (Betty's a good politician, remember; she's not going to knock either coast.) After August 20, you can find them at 10 Edgewood Drive, #7A, in Greenwich, Connecticut 06830. Until the snow comes, of course, and they go scooting off on a trip or two. Meanwhile, Jack sends his regretful resignation from San Marino Rotary, and Betty from her many volunteer contributions in our area (but we know these active folk will find new challenges around Greenwich).

**OTIS MARSTON, Jr.**, has also resigned from Rotary. It's unclear if Otis is still on his service mission in Europe, or if he's returned here, but he is unable to continue in our club.

## ANYONE STILL REMEMBERS HER?

**SO QUIET AROUND ROTARY** through July, with Lois Matthews in exile. Lois and her consort fled to France just as soon as the Revolution toppled her from our Rotary throne. We found this last bit of doggerel left behind on our fax machine:

### ROTARY CLUB OF SAN MARINO 2008-2009

This year has really been a blast, and I've had lots of fun. I wasn't really sure I'd last until the year was done.

I think I've used 2,000 sheets of paper printed out,  
And now I have three notebooks full –  
Emile, don't throw them out!

You need to put them on your shelf to check through now and then – you never know what you might need to tell you "where" and "when".

The district sure did ask a lot. I had to dress and name a pig. Thank goodness you had good ideas; my creativity's not so big.

"Big" is all the laughs we've had, the things we all got done. Reading by Nine, Mini-Grants, Christmas House, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Rose Queen and Court, Huntington Gardens, Art, Music, Speech; RYLA, TLC, Midderact, Ambassadorial Scholars, Foundation; Paul Harris Lunch, Grad Night, Holiday Reachout, Chili Cook-off.

And all the time, while working hard, we really did have fun! So many thanks to all of you – be proud of all you've done.

Our Rotary Club – TWO "outstanding large club" awards – really is the best.

Emile will take charge now. I just want to rest!

Many thanks to all of you!  
It's been a real good ride.  
Our club is great, we all produce  
And we should feel great pride!

--Lois

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