



# Your **ROTOSCOPE** for **Thursday, August 20, 2009**

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

## HERE'S WHAT YOU'RE PAYING TO SUPPORT (and why it's so worthwhile)

**YOU CHIP IN EACH YEAR** to support Rotary International's Foundation. Why? Well, it does good things, such as our incredible campaign to eliminate the polio virus from the world, the water and sanitation programs, the literacy and numeracy teaching. And you've certainly heard of the Ambassadorial Scholars, and maybe met a few. Meet another scholar this Thursday, and you'll realize even more how your contributions help build a stronger and more peaceful world.

**QIANG CHEN IS A POST-DOC** scholar at Caltech this year, with Pasadena Rotary as his local sponsoring club. His field doesn't exactly make for our kind of luncheon program: "the fatigue and fracture of metallic materials to micro/nano-electro-mechanical systems focused on the failure analysis and reliability evaluation of a multi-layer parylene-platinum-parylene electrode cable." Yes. Right. If you're not complete sure of what that means, president Emile will be happy to explain it all. The important part is that his research could lead to a major breakthrough in vision, with the materials to be used in retinal implants, allowing millions of humans to recover sight.

**BUT QIANG'S OWN STORY** is the best part. He was born and grew up in a poor family, out in the country of South Eastern China, close to the battlefield of the film "Red Cliff". His good elementary and middle school performances earned him financial aid from the Chinese government to finish his senior high school education, rare in his countryside farmland. In 1980, he went to Wuhan University of Technology to earn his bachelor's and master's degrees in engineering. He worked five years as an assistant professor at the same university, then moved to Japan to teach and earn his doctoral degree in materials science from Kagoshima University. He's now an associate professor in Japan, but his Ambassadorial Fellowship is allowing him to be at the cutting edge of research at Caltech, top place in the world for his interests. You helped do this, and you are helping him to meet and understand America. You'll be proud of your part when you hear Qiang on Thursday.

### C'MON, CHIP IN

**REMEMBER LLOYD OWNBEY'S PLEA** for each of us to give a little more for PolioPlus this year, to meet our club's \$50 per member challenge from Gates. If you can do more than your share, many thanks. If you can't, give at least a little, so everyone can help. Make checks to The Rotary Foundation, but give or send to John Harris so he can batch them. Yes, you'll get PHF credit.

### SEPTEMBER 17<sup>th</sup> "ON THE TOWN"

**LUCILLE IS AFRAID THAT** you will forget. Of course you won't. You KNOW that Lucille will be after you if you do forget. Having Lucille after you isn't pleasant. She's gone to a lot of effort to put together a "San Marino Restaurant Night" for all Rotary, involving the Vivian-Margie-Seafood-and-more group on the Drive. Your own invitation will be in the mail soon. But don't forget or Lucille will be on your case.

## IMPRESSIVE NUMBERS AT A BIG MILESTONE

**THE 30,000<sup>TH</sup> MATCHING GRANT** was made by The Rotary Foundation recently, to help twenty children in India with congenital heart defects to fund surgeries through a project of Rotary clubs in Cochin, India, and Sandbach, England. It's a big milestone since the first grant was made 44 years ago – and a typical grant where TRF provides a dollar-for-dollar match for every District Designated Fund (DDF) contribution to a project, and a 50-cent match for every dollar of additional contributions from members or individual clubs. Last year, TRF approved \$43,800,000 in grants for 2,424 projects in 137 countries.

**SINCE 1964 WHEN MATCHING GRANTS BEGAN**, The Rotary Foundation has distributed more than \$335,000,000 in these matching contributions for international service projects in 199 countries. Of course, that means with District and individual gifts, close to a BILLION dollars has been used on these 30,000 projects – much back when a BILLION was really a BILLION. As with our Ambassadorial Scholar program, you should be proud of your part.

## AUGUST /SEPTEMBER 2009

### AUGUST

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| 20 | Noon | Meet an Ambassadorial scholar now at Caltech           |
| 27 | Noon | Congressman David Dreier reports to us from Washington |

### SEPTEMBER

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| 3  | Noon  | Titan Football preview                      |
| 10 | Noon  | Story of champion jockey Laffit Pincay, Jr. |
| 17 | NO NOON MEETING – "ON THE TOWN" at Huntington Drive restaurants |   |

# THE ROTOSCOPE

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August 20: Caltech Scholar



## ESSAY TOPIC: WHAT I DID ON MY SUMMER VACATION

**EMILE BAYLE** already reported – at considerable length, with purchased photos of grizzly bears that he tried to pawn off as his own shots – on his summer vacation travels to England, Luxembourg, and home via Alaska. He's editing the book version, with French subtitles, and will be signing copies at an upcoming meeting. But what about other summer vacation essays, all due this month?

**CHRIS NORGAARD** spent his summer working 24-hours-daily to find programs. Emile helped him with the first one, but the rest were all up to Chris. He's getting there; only a few spots are left in September.

**LEE MOTHERSHEAD** brought home a souvenir from Myanmar, regrettably hidden in his body and needing medical cure. We're sure glad he's well now.

**GARY WOODS** has been practicing crowd-control in preparing for his assignment at Post Parade as one of the young members of the Tournament of Roses. Gary doesn't have enough to keep him busy in his office, so he volunteered for this extra holiday work.

**MATT BALLANTYNE** started his own loan office, extending his first loan package at a healthy 6% interest to Arnold Schwarzenegger, and if Arnold defaults in three years, why, Matt's going after him.

**WILL BORTZ** regressed to childhood, building sand castles at Carlsbad with his grandchildren.

**LOIS MATTHEWS** was impressed with the Julie half of "Julie and Julia," but instead of trying to cook 600+ of Ms. Childs' recipes Lois tried to eat that many during her month's vacation in France. You can see the results in her shrunken bank account and swelled, well, certain middle parts.

## SIX AREAS OF FOCUS FOR TRF'S FUTURE VISION

**THE ERADICATION OF POLIO** remains the primary goal of Rotary, and will stay first until this is achieved. It's been much harder than was thought, given wars, rumors, migrating peoples carrying the virus back to areas already freed. But The Rotary Foundation – and all Rotarians – are committed to the goal.

**THIS YEAR'S ROLE** for The Rotary Foundation is to meet Rotary's \$200,000,000 Challenge from Melinda and Bill Gates, and we hope you've done your part. The fight is not yet over. Each of us are asked to add \$50 in our giving to help Rotary match the fantastic grant from the Gates'. Have you?

**THERE ARE SIX OTHER AREAS** of focus for Rotary through the Future Vision Plan:

\*PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

\*DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

\*WATER AND SANITATION PROJECTS

\*MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

\*BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

\*ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**"EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR"** is the initiative, with at least \$100 from each of the world's Rotarians to the Permanent Fund to adequately support another century of Rotary service. With world investments so low during this "Great Recession" (as the New York Times calls it), TRF has depleted part of annual giving to make up for the difference in Permanent Fund income. (Remember our special \$50-per-Rotarian challenge from the Gates Foundation is separate and one-time.) Because in some parts of the Rotary world a \$100 or even \$50 contribution is extremely difficult, Rotary depends on our more affluent part of the world to give a little more and make up the difference.

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