



Your **ROTSOCPE** for
Thursday, December 10, 2009
 for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

COME HELP EMILE! – (HE NEEDS ALL THE HELP YOU CAN GIVE)

PRESIDENT EMILE IS FACING A FULL PLATE of problems to solve – difficult issues such as the world economic crisis, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, the Middle East tensions, and continuing unemployment in this country, plus such controversial questions as how fraudulent guests were able to crash the party and why a golf pro left his home at 2 a.m., only to crash his car into a fire plug on one side and a tree and the other. Your suggestions and advice are urgently needed by our leader.

AS EMILE REACHES the half-way point in his term, he wants to begin getting organized. He plans to tackle the biggest issues first, where San Marino Rotary wants to go and how our club can get there, then he'll turn to the simpler tasks of economics and peace. And that's where this week's Club Assembly starts: how's our membership, what projects can we undertake, where do we stand in support for The Rotary Foundation and for San Marino Rotary Charities, and what the heck is the difference between Foundation and Charities anyway? That's where you come in. Come help Emile figure it out!

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETINGS

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE of the Annual Meetings of the Rotary Club of San Marino and of San Marino Rotary Charities, to be held Thursday, December 10, 2009, at San Marino Community Church.

THE MEETINGS WILL BE CALLED TO ORDER by president Emile Bayle at 12:30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Nominating Committee for 2010-2011 officers, hearing other nominations that may be presented from the floor, holding elections for officers, and considering all other business that may be brought before the assembly.

THE MEETINGS SHOULD CONCLUDE by 12:31 p.m. or thereabouts, presuming your cooperation in not speaking now but forever holding your peace, so to help Emile get things done.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

LOIS MATTHEWS AND HER BAND beat the bushes, and came up with this slate to lead our merry group through 2010-2011, unless you find someone better:

- FOR PRESIDENT, 2010-2011:** **BOB NAFIE**
- PRESIDENT-ELECT (2011-2012):** **STEVE TALT**
- SECRETARY:** **KAREN PACIOREK**
- TREASURER:** **DENNIS KNEIER**

FURTHER NOMINATIONS may be made from the floor, following the procedures outlined in the Club By-Laws. [If you haven't memorized the by-laws, better go along with Lois' choices or she will be upset.]

LAST DAYS OF THE HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

NEW TOYS FOR ALL AGES are urgently needed for the kids at Five Acres home, and our local support time ends now so the toys can be wrapped and delivered before the rapidly –approaching holidays. Toys, dolls, games don't need to be elaborate or expensive, but do need to come with your love for needy children.

BRING GIFTS TO VIVIAN Chan at Jasmine Café any time they're open, preferably by Monday, December 7th. If you just can't make it by then, bring gifts for the kids to this week's meeting.

VIVIAN APPRECIATES THE SUPPORT that has already come, but in these tight times the number of toys is less than we'd like to provide the Five Acres kids. Your help is needed, with more things to help show the boys and girls that people do care about them.

DECEMBER 2009 / JANUARY 2010

DECEMBER

- 10** **Noon** **Annual Meeting – Club Assembly**
- 17** **Noon** **Learn about Audubon Center at Debs Park**
- 24** **NO MEETING – CHRISTMAS EVE – MERRY CHRISTMAS!**
- 31** **NO MEETING – NEW YEAR'S EVE – HAPPY 2010!**

JANUARY

- 7** **Noon** **Construction in the middle of major medical care**
- 14** **Noon** **USC's retiring hero, Steve Sample**

THE ROTOSCOPE

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

December 10: Club Assembly



HEARD AROUND THE CLUB

WE FED 150 AT our November meeting with the 2010 Rose Court, after helping more than a hundred children experience a wonderful morning with Mad Scientist Jim Folsom and his wild teaching at the Huntington Gardens. Congratulations and thanks to Jim, Greg Custer, and all who helped with this annual event. Len Therrien has placed Isaac Hung's pictures of the day on line at the club's web site.

DOZENS OF BAYLES AND BARTHS have gathered each year for Thanksgiving, but they're beginning to grow and scatter so there were only 22 this year. The CIF girls' playoffs kept granddaughter Avery in town, and Cathy too as cheerleader. Andrew has moved up to varsity sports, so he was around too to help Tinker and Emile eat all the turkey and trimmings.

JEFF GROSETH SENDS THANKS to the unknown cadaver who gave Jeff a new knee. Back in a second grade bike-jumping accident, Jeff damaged the ligament he was born with, and the artificial knee he received twenty years ago wore out. Thus he's on his third knee, mending well thank you, and ready for another twenty years on his knees.

RUSS OSMONSON TOOK FOUR OTHERS from the Southwestern staff back to Chicago last week for school meetings, though the only reports filtering back talked about Mike Ditka's great steaks, the Second City's witty revue, and a grand show at the restored Chicago Theater. Meanwhile, other teachers and staff members at Southwestern came down ill, or were on bereavement leave, or had other meetings, leaving one old headmaster behind as ringmaster of the circus, hoping Russ will remember to return in a week or so.

CHRISTMAS HOUSE UP SUPER QUICK

THE GOODREAU AND HAMILTON Construction Company has done it many times before, but the 2009 erection of the Little Christmas Church covered the bus shelter at San Marino and Huntington Drives went up in record time last Saturday. It's a Chamber of Commerce project, but all the brains if not the muscles come from Rotary – such muscular helpers as Denise Wadsworth, Fred Sohl, Jim Pink, Shody Cho, Ing-yih Cheng, and Len Therrien.

YES, CHAMBER MEMBERS helped out too – eight Rotarians out of some 120 isn't really enough to build the "church" in a few hours – and Matt Ballantyne sent along city crews to be sure things were safe, but cheers to our dental pair who have organized and carried out the transformation each Christmas for a couple dozen years now.

THE TAKE-DOWN IS SCHEDULED after the BCS game. Since our local professional team is not playing in the Rose Bowl for either game this year, Trojan fans have no excuses for not coming to help. Ask Larry or Jack what you can do.

ARE YOU ONE OF THE SEVEN?

ONLY SEVEN ACCOUNTS are in arrears, but treasurer Dennis Kneier points out that income represents the difference between just breaking-even and having funding for our club causes. Reminders have been sent to the seven. If you're one of this select group, and if you are paying attention, please settle your debts now so you can enjoy a clear conscience and a clear account over the holidays. If you are not sure about payment, or have any questions about your billing, please talk with Dennis – he has little else to do but manage our club treasury, and he is doing a great job with that.

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EMILE'S PHILOSOPHIES:

The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.