



Your **ROTSOCPE** for  
**Thursday, February 4, 2010**

for the Rotary Club of San Marino, California, USA

**QUIET AT NOON – PARTY AT NIGHT**

***NO NOON MEETING – MARDI GRAS MADNESS AT SIX***

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4: Pretend you're in New Orleans  
 with jambalaya, beads, flags, masks – and free-flowing wine  
 at

SAN MARINO CENTER (former Woman's Clubhouse)  
 1800 Huntington Drive

*Cajun food and Southern Hospitality*  
 by

*Lucille, Diane, Ruth, Andy, Roberta, and Karen*

**PARTY MENU**

Hors d'oeuvres, six to seven p.m.  
*Grilled Shrimp Skewers*  
*Grits Bruschetta*  
*Mini Crab Cakes with Lemon Caper Sauce*

Buffet Dinner, served after seven  
*Green Salad*  
*Jambalaya Shrimp*  
*Grillades*  
*Merlition*  
*Boneless Beef Short Ribs*  
*Fried Chicken with Mashed Potatoes*  
*Green Beans Almondine*  
*Corn Bread*  
*Bread Pudding (if Emile can find recipe)*  
 Wine, Coffee, Tea, or Milk served all night

**PARTY PLANS**

Emile's Playlist  
 of  
 Dixieland,  
 Ragtime,  
 New Orleans Jazz,  
 Stompin' Music  
 (and maybe some tunes  
 you can dance to  
 and get loose)

Bring your dancin' shoes, or  
 sit in the corner and chuckle!

*Lucille suggests you sleep all day so you can  
 dance all night and sleep in Friday.  
 She will provide excuse notes to your boss or  
 office to explain your Thursday/Friday absence.*

**BOURBON STREET DRESS: FOLLOW THE FOUR-WAY TEST**

NOTE: This week's party replicates a New Orleans Mardi Gras in Stuffy Old San Marino –  
*this is NOT Carnival time in Rio! City Ordinance forbids such displays of Rotary bodies!*

DISPLAYS OF NEAR-NAKEDNESS by San Marino Rotarians or their guests will not be tolerated.  
 Such dress does not follow Rotary standards as expressed in the Four-Way Test:

YES, scanty clothing would indeed display the truth.

NO, looking at San Marino Rotary bodies would not be fair to anyone concerned.  
 It would not build goodwill or friendships, or be beneficial to anyone but your plastic surgeon.  
*No abbreviated or missing swimsuits, tangas, Speedos, etc. will be allowed into our city center.*

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4	Noon	<b>NO NOON MEETING .... INSTEAD:</b>
	Evening	<b>MARDI GRAS PARTY at San Marino Center</b>
11	Noon	Fashion Show – bring your Valentine as a lunch date!
18	Noon	Rose Bowl restoration and renovation planning
25	Noon	Annual Police Report – and Speech Contest Winner

# THE ROTOSCOPE

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

February 4: Mardi Gras Party at 6 p.m.



## AROUND THE CLUB

**"ROTARY READERS"** is R.I.'s Official New Name for what we used to call "Reading by Nine" (and I'm sure most of our members will continue to use this worthy old name instead of the latest 'innovation' from Evanston). At any rate, Will Bortz and our Reading by Nine Committee – sorry, Rotary Readers Committee – have chosen three elementary schools to receive "Reading by" ... that is, R.R. books:

**LONGFELLOW ELEMENTARY** on Washington in Pasadena, our "Gardens" buddies; Greg Custer is liaison;

**EMERY PARK ELEMENTARY**, 301 North Marengo in Alhambra, which Sue Spence will coordinate; and

**CLEVELAND ELEMENTARY**, 524 Palisades, Pasadena, where James Nash will represent our club.

Southwestern Interact students will paste in our gift book plates as in previous years. When the distribution assemblies are scheduled, our committee hopes many members will take a few minutes to attend and support.

**GARY WOODS MAY CHANGE** his 'Education' classification to something more realistic, such as 'Fork Lift Operator' or simply 'Farm Boy.' Gary was put in charge of parking floats at Post Parade on January 1<sup>st</sup>. The fork lift used to retrieve float riders lost its brakes, but Gary was right there in his greasy overalls to repair it. Then Gary spun the forklift around to maneuver beautifully.

**LEN THERRIEN'S ALLSTATE** increased their 2010 contribution for San Marino Rotary Charities to \$1000 – a good addition to helping our local organizations, especially for youth, thanks to Len's efforts.

## WARNING: ALL GET STOMPED HERE

**WE READ THAT** a shipwreck stranded a bunch of passengers from many nations on several deserted islands:  
--One island held two Italian men and one Italian woman  
--One received two French men and one *very* French woman  
--One held two German men and one German woman  
--Another island had two Greek men and one Greek woman  
--One had two Englishmen and one English woman  
--Two Japanese men and one Japanese woman on another  
--One had two Russian men and one Russian woman  
--On another, two Chinese men and one Chinese woman  
--Another held two Irishmen and one Irish woman  
--And the last survivors were two American men, one woman

**RESCUERS DIDN'T REACH THEM** for a year, finding:  
--One Italian man killed the other man for the Italian woman;  
--The two French men and the French woman were living happily together in a *ménage a trois*;  
--The Germans set up an elaborate schedule of weekly alternating visits for an hour each with their woman;  
--The Greek men are happy together while the Greek woman cleans and cooks for them;  
--The Englishmen are waiting for someone to introduce them  
--The Russian men took one look at the Russian woman and started swimming off to another island but drowned;  
--The Japanese emailed Tokyo and still wait for instructions;  
--The Chinese set up a pharmacy, liquor store, restaurant, bridal shop, and have gotten the woman pregnant in order to supply employees for their stores;  
--The Irish divided the island north and south and set up a distillery. They are foggy from the coconut whisky.  
--The American men contemplate suicide because their woman won't shut up about her body, what the sun is doing to her skin, equal division of chores, how her last boyfriend treated her nicer than they do, how her mother is the cause of all problems and she wants her nails done and to go shop.

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## EMILE'S PHILOSOPHIES:

I disagree with Kay Jewelers.  
I bet that on Mardi Gras at least more kisses begin with  
Miller Lites than with Kay.