



# The Rotoscope

of the San Marino, California, Rotary Club



## Events

### June 2018

06/21 - LUNCHEON MEETING:  
THE FUTURE, SAN MARINO  
ROTARY, SOCIAL MEDIA  
06/23 - Rotaract Pre-Convention in  
Toronto  
06/28 - LUNCHEON MEETING:  
SAN MARINO SCHOOLS  
FOUNDATION REPORT

### July 2018

07/05 - LUNCHEON MEETING  
07/05 - Luncheon Meeting - San  
Marino Rotary Club  
07/12 - Luncheon Meeting - San  
Marino Rotary Club

## Club Leaders



**Denise Wadsworth**  
Youth Service  
Chair, President



**Fang Fang Ho**  
President-Elect



**Gregory F. Johansing**  
Administration  
Chair, President Nominee  
Elect, Club Director



**Gilda Moshir**  
iPast President



**Paul Brassard**  
Secretary



**Dennis B. Kneier**  
Treasurer



**N. Christian Datwyler**  
Webmaster



**Kenneth Veronda**  
Bulletin Editor



**Lucille F. Norberg**  
Sergeant-at-Arms



**William H. Bortz**  
Club Director, Rotary  
Foundation Chair



**Deborah A. Herbert**  
Club Director



**J. Leland Mothershead  
III**  
Club Director

JUNE 21, 2018

## OUR LEADERS ARE AWAY SO WE CAN PLAY

DENISE WADSWORTH WAS GIVEN her Past President pin last week, with her gavel snatched away even though there's two weeks remaining in her term. FANG HO was given the gavel, and she was inducted as President, though she has no power until July 1st. Both of our cool-cat leaders are away, so we mice are left to play – or at least One Big Mouse will play around at our meeting Thursday, Midsummer's Day, the Summer Solstice.

STEVE GARRETT IS OUR BIG MOUSE this week, presenting a program on Rotary's future. Steve and all the Steve Garrett Associates will be talking how social media can strengthen Rotary in many ways, as well as most businesses and professions. Steve's not really a big mouse, and certainly no rat – he has prepared a number of predictions and suggestions, some playful but all of interest and use.

SO WHERE ARE DENISE AND FANG? Joining a predicted twelve thousand delegates from the world of Rotary at this year's International Convention in Toronto, Ontario. As with each of us who've attended an annual RI gathering, they'll return next month overwhelmed with the power, variety, and service "Doing Good in the World" by more than a million Rotarians. They'll see examples of some 30,000 projects accomplished this year by Rotary volunteers donating an estimated 24,300,000 hours. They'll come back enthused to share ideas with all of us as we open another year of service – above self.

CONSIDER ATTENDING A FUTURE RI Convention. Most of them aren't as late as the June 23-27 dates this year in Toronto. Next year it's in northern Germany, with Hamburg as base and meetings around the Baltic city. RI goes to Honolulu in 2020, and then goes further across the Pacific to Taipei in 2021. The 2022 convention is in Houston, which many of us don't realize is now the fifth largest city in the U.S., with some major museums, art galleries, and outstanding restaurants. One of the very best experiences of each international convention is signing up for a small dinner party at a Rotarian's home nearby the convention city. These home visits are limited to the number of local hosts who volunteer, and are usually fully booked months before the convention date. Sign up early!

SAN MARINO ROTARY'S NEW YEAR opens with music and fireworks, right after Denise and Fang get back from Canada. Rotary's new year parade isn't quite the New Year celebration in neighboring Pasadena, but rather hokey small-town fun on the 4th of July. The parade proves that San Marino could well be just another small town in Iowa or maybe one of the Dakotas. It's an all-American celebration of the Glorious Fourth, no matter where we or our ancestors originated.

DEBBIE PRIESTER IS in charge of our Rotary parade down Monterey Road to Lacy Park. Thanks to Jim Miller using a blowtorch to decapitate a hardtop, Debbie has a third convertible to carry our city dignitaries in our parade – but still needs more, whether through Merry Plumbing's cutting off your car top or by your willingness to loan a ragtop. Whichever, call Debbie at 626-440-1959 if you've a car she can use in our parade.



**Fary Yassamy**  
Club Director



**Leonard Therrien**  
Club Director, Community Service Chair



**John Donovan**  
Club Director



**Molly W Woodford**  
Club Director, Membership Chair



**Shody Chow**  
International Service Chair



**William L. Payne**  
Public Image Chair



**Tony Chou**  
Vocational Service Chair, Youth Service Chair



**Steve Garrett**  
Programs Chair

THE FOURTH OF JULY is mid-week this year, Wednesday bookended with two working days, so that unless you're a rich-retired like our treasurer you can't take a super-long weekend to escape. Therefore all we poor working folk should be in town to give a couple of happy hours to Rotary on Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup>. The job is fun, organizing the cars, kids, and marchers at the Chevron station where Monterey joins Huntington, and sending all off in reasonable order toward Lacy Park, a bit over a mile west. Debbie Priester sure needs more helpers – call her (same number as for convertibles, 440-1959). Operators are standing by to sign you up, or at least Debbie's at Titan Travel long work hours.

A QUICK REPORT ON the Motor Classic wasn't squeezed into last Thursday's celebration of our two Cool Cats, Denise and Fang, but according to the Tribune the crowds were bigger, the cars shinier, the day perfecter, and the "profits" for our Charities and for the USC Band and Pasadena Humane people will be bigger than ever. Whatever, we can celebrate our ticket-purchasing and our time commitments for the eighth time, bigger and better each year. Founder and chair Aaron Weiss will be telling us the details soon.

LINDA WAH SENDS THANKS to those who've volunteered to help her and the other vocational service committee members with the "Career Expo" this Tuesday morning, the 19<sup>th</sup>. If you haven't already signed up and can help, Linda would really like to hear from you. Best is by email to [lswah@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lswah@sbcglobal.net). She can also tell you more about the Veteran's Forum on Saturday morning, June 30<sup>th</sup>, in close-by Azusa, or you can read all about it at <https://Vetforum2018.eventbrite.com>.

HAVE YOU VISITED GENE DRYDEN at the rehab center wrapped around Villa Gardens at North Lake and Villa, just above the 210 freeway and across from The Hat pastrami? Please drive up any daytime except over lunch. Gene's speaking well, full of his quiet, keen humor, and would really appreciate your visit.

MIKE DRIEBE'S ARTICLE on his group cultural exchange month in India brought several admiring comments from last week's Rotoscope readers. If you missed his story about the experience, you can find it at San Marino Rotary's web page – if you can find the Rotoscope link for June 14<sup>th</sup> by scrolling down and looking on the right. Well worth your time.

AND A SURPRISE! With Mike Driebe escorting Americans to India on RI's cultural exchange, I learned last week that Isaac Hung hosted the Indian opposite exchange group here for a few days as they toured our district. For many years, RI allowed such exchanges to be based on similar professional interests – teachers from other districts exchanging visits with teachers from our district, or public safety professionals or health care providers and so forth. These "group study exchanges" were always a delight for our club members who would host the visitors for a meal, a tour, or as guests in our homes for a few days. Then RI stopped GSE's – partly because it became more difficult to find enough candidates from the same careers whose employers would continue their earnings still needed for families left behind. Now they've become "group cultural exchanges", and as usual Isaac's family were generous in supporting the visitors. I hope to read or hear a report on the Hung's visitors' time in and around San Marino.

ALTADENA ROTARY'S RAY CARLSON visited our club a few weeks ago to encourage and support high school business plan students in a pan-district program Ray has long boosted. Ray was around helping each year with the Christmas bicycles, the district's assemblies and conventions, the leadership programs, whatever and wherever he could give his talents and support. Now Ray is gone, after a long and productive life. There will be a celebration of that life on Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 p.m., in the elegantly Gothic sanctuary of Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1757 North Lake. Ray's family invites you to join them in remembering a remarkable Rotarian.

June 21<sup>st</sup>: STEVE GARRETT ON ROTARY'S FUTURE

June 28<sup>th</sup> – SAN MARINO SCHOOLS FOUNDATION REPORT

July 4<sup>th</sup> – HELP NEEDED WITH GLORIOUS FOURTH PARADE

July 5<sup>th</sup> – NO MEETING OVER LONG 4<sup>th</sup> WEEKEND