



The Rotoscope

of the San Marino, California, Rotary Club



Events

May 2018

05/03 - Rotary On The Town:
EVENING PICNIC
05/09 - Rotary Foundation
Committee Meeting
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LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC
CONCERTMASTER
05/10 - Board of Directors Meeting
- San Marino Rotary Club
05/17 - LUNCHEON MEETING:
CRAFT TALKS

Club Leaders



Denise Wadsworth
Youth Service
Chair, President



Fang Fang Ho
President-Elect



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Chair, President Nominee
Elect, Club Director



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Deborah A. Herbert
Club Director



**J. Leland Mothershead
III**
Club Director



Fary Yassamy
Club Director

MAY 3, 2018

(No Lunch Meeting, Remember)

Rotary Family Night on the Town

(Officially from 6:00 p.m., but come by 5:30 – see “why” below -
and be sure to RSVP by Friday the 27th)

GRACE YANG AND HER SOCIALISTS present another delightful time to relax in Celia and Isaac’s beautiful gardens with hamburgers and hot dogs and salads and drinks and desserts – and a special play area for mini-members too. BUT: your signing up is absolutely vital so the caterer knows to feed you – and signing up by Friday, April 27th by email to mcox@VillaEsperanzaServices.org. (Rotoscope sent early as an extra reminder to RSVP!).

AND ANOTHER “BUT” ... our Family Night invitations say it starts at 6:00, but Grace and Isaac invite – nay, urge you to come early, before 5:30. There’s a San Marino Heritage dinner at El Molino Viejo, the Old Mill on Old Mill next door to the Hungs. Street parking is always limited, and this year it will be twice as limited. Car pool if you can – Grace suggests you consider meeting other Rotarians at Community Church’s parking lot and car-pooling the mile to the Hung’s. Be warned – come early .

CELIA AND ISAAC’S HOME, if you’ve not been there, is at 1057 Old Mill, San Marino postal address but partly into Pasadena – on the north side of Old Mill, up against the Raymond Hill fault, but that’s what makes the Hung’s gardens particularly beautiful. 1057 is three sneaky hidden speed bumps east of Oak Knoll (be careful, as they’re hard to spot!). The Hung’s home is just east of the first speed bump and the entrance to the OTHER party.

ROB FEIDLER REMINDS YOU that advertising space in the 2018 Motor Classic program is still available – well, still available that is if you talk with Rob by the end of April, though your display ad can be sent to them later in May. This is not only a fine way to let 10,000+ affluent classic car families know of your business or profession, but also a fine way to help boost the proceeds. Call Rob 626-228-4892 before April 30th.

LOTS OF TASTY TEMPTATION from the district to get you to come enjoy this year’s annual conference aboard the Queen Mary: “We’ll have all of your favorite District Conference traditions...and so much more! Fitting our host location, filled with legends of unexplained happenings, Saturday’s dinner will conclude with a Murder Mystery play. We’ve also secured an amazing deal – Sunday’s morning meal is the infamous Queen Mary Sunday Brunch, with over 50 unique dishes from around the world. (Conde Nast Traveler names it the No. 1 hotel brunch in the world!) Plus we get entrance 30 minutes before the rest of the ship’s guests. After the brunch, we’ll re-adjourn to the Queen’s Salon for a royal roast of Raghada as she awards the Governor’s Bell before we send her off to PDG-land.”

SO THIRTY MINUTES HEAD START should give you enough time to fill your plate at the



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

Queen's Sunday brunch. Other good reasons for going include reports from several clubs on their most successful projects; the finals for music, speech, and essay contests; awards for club accomplishments, including the governor's bell for the highest achiever; displays of a number of intriguing projects by clubs around district 5300 – and of course sending the district governor off to PDG-land, wherever that may be. See the district web page for details on how to sign up, where to stay, and when events are scheduled. Remember it's a straight shot down to Long Beach, under an hour if you are lucky – or consider taking the Gold Line/Blue Line almost to shipboard without any hassle of driving at all.

LEN THERRIEN'S PICTURES of our tree planting at Lacy Park last Thursday have been posted by Chris Datwyler on the club's web page. Take a look at president Denise and His Honor the Mayor himself all dressed up (the Mayor declares socks not necessary for dress) while they're pretending to dig around a beautiful pre-planted Mexican Maple. Be sure to stick around to the end, where you'll find Len's little surprise: Mayor Talt doing what big-city politicians do best: gesticulating and bloviating. Seriously, thanks to members, park workers, and city staff who turned out as our club followed its promise to plant one tree for every member – 126 for San Marino, more than 1,200,000 trees worldwide for Rotary.

OUR CLUB'S OTHER 125 TREES –one for you, because president Denise has already taken the Lacy Park sycamore as hers – will be pine, spruce, and laurel seedlings to be planted in national forests while other Rotary clubs will plant in their own states and countries. We heard from our colleagues with the Antigua Rotary Club that they've planted little mahogany and cieba trees in the Guatemalan highlands, where the refugees from the long civil war were resettled by our ongoing "FINCA". San Marino Rotary's mini-bank project continues to be solvent in its twentieth year, managed by the indigenous Maya women with great care.

GUESS WHO IS THE "MATRON of San Marino"? She has been very modest about this special honor from Judy Chu, our Member of Congress, in recognition of our Matron's "illustrious life and career". We thought Matrons were stuffy old ladies. Not ours. Over 94 years, she's never ever been even a tad stuffy. Red heads can't possibly be stuffy. Look around and see if you can guess Judy Chu's ninth Woman of the Year, our "de facto matron".

BILL PAYNE REPORTS THAT our board has approved our latest Global Grant scholar applicant, after interviewing her in England through Skype. Her next step is to be interviewed by the D5300 GG scholar committee. Nicole Grajewski is also a San Marino High School graduate in the Class of '11 (with Ollie Campbell and Jennifer Binley). She earned her bachelor's from George Washington University in D.C. Now she is applying for funding for her doctorate, also to be at Oxford...a three year undertaking. You might be interested in her experiences and goals...with emphasis on the Peace and Conflict Resolution focus.

NICOLE WROTE IN HER APPLICATION: "Moving forward, I plan to use my expertise gained from my doctoral research to advance international peace and security. I think it is also important to note that opposed to a master's program which is only one or two years and less of a commitment, a doctorate entails a 100,000 word dissertation (which will be turned into a book) as well as coursework and teaching. My research focuses on Russia, Iran, and military interventions. Specifically, I look at how the involvement of Russia and Iran has impacted the conflict resolution processes in Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria, and Yemen. This is something that is of extreme practical relevance and, frankly, there is little to no expertise on the subject despite its importance.

SHE CONTINUES: "About half a million people have been killed in the Syrian Civil War, there is a humanitarian catastrophe in Yemen, and the Taliban is increasingly active in Afghanistan. Both Russia and Iran are actively involved in these conflicts yet there hasn't been a comprehensive study on the nature of this relationship and its impact on conflict resolutions/post-conflict peace building initiatives. My research is not only a contribution to academia (I've introduced a theoretical innovation to the theory of conflict mediation) but it is also a contribution to our understanding of some of the most complex human-induced catastrophes of the 21st century. Therefore, I aspire to use my research influence policy, to defuse the risk of war, and to reduce human suffering."

May 3rd: NO LUNCH MEETING

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RSVP by emailing Michelle Cox no later than Friday, April 27th.

May 10th: BACK TO NOONTIME AT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Our speaker is the concertmaster of the L.A. Phil.

May 17th: MOLLY WOODFORD PRESENTS TWO OF OUR NEW MEMBERS