

# R TA - M NICA

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Last Friday morning, our good friend and Rotarian Philip Whiting was called by his creator for greater service. Phil was proud of his Rotary service and made Rotary a top priority for his Friday schedule resulting in 46 years of perfect attendance. A section in Phil's autobiography discussing his beliefs closes with "Those beliefs, plus Rotary's 4 Way Test are principal guidelines for living."

In lieu of flowers, the family requests individuals make donations in Phil's name to the Santa Monica Rotary Foundation. Rest in Peace, Phil.

Welcome to the 11th meeting of the 85th year ~ A very gracious and stylish head table led by Patricia Farris (whose Mom visited too), John Lehne (in a suit and tie), Oded Wolf (who just came back from an amazing vacation), Karim Jaude our favorite member from Lebanon; our speaker, Ann Kerr, a Middle East Expert ... and Prez Jim.

John Miller led us in song. Since this was his first time, singing at the Miramar, we sang aloud. I think it was great to have John well and full of voice.

*Here's a picture of John all dressed up Cuz, I know ya just aren't gonna believe it.*



We have seen John in many different ways over the years.

Now, I am not saying he does not clean up very nice, but I think I like John best as a woman and, Santa would have to be a close runner-up.

It was great seeing Kay

again ... you should visit more often. The nicest part of so many Rotarians is their partners.

## VERY IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

I forgot to mention it last week ... but this coming Friday is the famous CHILLI COOK-OFF at Saint Monica's. Ya know, the first place winner, for three years in a row, Spyros will be there and cookin' up a batch. Phil Tirone <who really knows how to party will be there too,> so join us there, for a taste- test if nothing else. Friday night ... St. Monica's OctoberFest.



Happy Birthday this month's RotaBabies

Karen Baker, Grace Cheng Braun, Ron Davis, Jim Dyer, Steve Eorio, Carol Follette, Bill Hunt, Len Lanzi, Joe Metoyer, John Miller, Rex Minter, Vince Muselli, Mike Nichols, Mike O'Hara, George Pickell, Fred Rafeedie, Lloyd Torgerson, Hank Walther, Bill Werner, Jim Westbrook.

## Happy Birthday - B I L L H U N T

As you can see, Friday was birthday day. Roy Almeida called your name among all the other birthday babies. I smiled to myself, as others did to, recalling your monthly birthdays. When I was Birthday Chair, you told me up front how it all got started and that it was going to continue ... Well, Bill you are right. It is continuing. Why don't you come and visit us one week. We miss you ... Lots of Love and Hugs ... Hope you are well

Don't forget about our Birthday Song Contest ...

Let those creative juices flow and send in your entry for the Rotary Birthday Song Contest. Call Pat Bofird at 310.6996675 or email the song to: [patmusik@earthlink.net](mailto:patmusik@earthlink.net)

Pat will be glad to help with the music if you like ... you just come up with the text.

## Prez Jim's annotations:

1. September is Rotary New Generations Month with special focus on maintaining the vitality of our club. I am happy to report that through our first two months attendance is close to 72%, up 2% from last year. At this time, we have added 4 new members and there are more in the pipeline.

2. Our goal is to maintain and improve the quality of our Club. I am sad to report that Karen Baker is resigning from our Club, we lost Phil Whiting and Kathy Dodson has accepted a new job back in El Paso, Texas.

3. First New Members event scheduled for October 14th at Tom and Stephanie Loo's. The First Year Activities Committee and the Board will be serving the dinner. All new members should have received an invitation, see Ross Harrop for more information

4. District Breakfast - October 17th at LAX Hilton - speaker is Michael Josephson, Ethics and Character Counts. Bring a toy for Shriner's Hospital and the Tecate

Christmas train. Let **June** know if you would like to attend.  
5. Our first Rotary-Round-LA event is taking us going to the Nethercutt Museum in Sylmar on Wednesday, December 6th. RSVP to **Shirley Dowling** or **Bob Moore**.  
6. November is Rotary Foundation month and Chairs, **Marv Levin** and **Jillian Alexander** will have their hands full. They will be talking to you about:

- a) Paul Harris Fellow's - goal to become a 100% Club
- b) Paul Harris Celebration Dinner on November 4th
- c) Raffle Tickets

Raffle Tickets will be mailed to everyone who requested them in the survey. We have additional tickets and we will be talking to you about those.

Remember, we get matching club funds from these sales. This year those funds will be used to help first time members.

7. We said good-bye to **Kathy Dodson** and welcomed **Petra Haffter** as our newest U.S. Citizen.

**John McIntire** is looking for items to be donated for the Silent Auction at the Paul Harris Dinner at Raleigh Studios on Saturday, November 4.

Proceeds from the auction benefit both Rotary International and our own club by providing matching funds for Paul Harris Fellowships.

If you have an item/items (goods/services with a minimum value of \$50), you would like to donate, please contact **John** - Phone/Fax 310.372.8345 ASAP.

**Nancy Freedman** - The Community & Youth Grants committee was created to allocate financial resources to serve the needs of non-profit organizations, our youth, and other needs specific to our community.

This committee has been able to make a difference in people's lives, from youth to seniors, as it addresses the areas in our community where insufficient resources exist. The Community and Youth Grants Committee has been able to make meaningful contributions to the American Red Cross, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Santa Monica, the Centers for Healthy Living and Partially Sighted, Little League of Santa Monica, Meals on Wheels, Family Services of Santa Monica, Salvation Army, and the Police Activities League, to name just a few. Applications are now available, see **Nancy** or **June** for one.

Fines and Reparations: "You've Got Mail **Oded Wolf**, **Larry Mortorff** and **Dick Lawrence**"

**Oded** talked his fine down to \$50 all because he did a make up at the Waikiki Club and brought a surfboard back for **Jim**. **Jim** did not seem to mind that the surfboard was only two inches long.

**Larry Mortorff** probably had the best time in Majorca ... he got together with a friend who is also a Rotarian; they had a few drinks and shot the breeze and got to count that as a make-up ...

**Dick Lawrence** got the worst of it. merely for finding a recruiting solution here at Rotary <there by saving a hefty fee> Presenting Sally Pai the new Chief Investment Officer at right here at Rotary. Congratulations **Sally Pai** on your new position. **Dick**, you are very lucky.



Next week our speaker is **Geoff Shackelford**, author and Golf Course historian. This is "THE" meeting to invite your golfer buddies to ... **especially if they would make good Rotarians**. <I promised **John Dravillas** I would help build up our club's golf team.>

**Speaking of Tennis** ... <golf, tennis, same thing>, **Karim** is at it again. The First Friday of every month is Rotary Tennis Day at the Riviera. Play starts at 4:30 PM followed by dinner. Everyone is welcome.

**Needed:**

**Group Study Exchange Program Leader:** Be with the team for the duration of the exchange, willing and able, physically and mentally, able to keep pace with the team, not be accompanied by a spouse/companion/ relative/dependent, spend a month (from March 17, 2007 thru April 14, 2007) in the Philippines or May 2nd - May 30th, 2007 in Mexico)

**Four Group Study Exchange Team Members:** between 25 and 40, employed full time in a recognized vocation/ profession, not a Rotarian-or closely related to one, not accompanied by spouse/companion/relatives/dependent, spend a month in the Philippines or Mexico (March 17 thru April 14, 2007 or May 2 - May 30, 2007).

**The Foundation pays for round-trip airfare and Rotary club members in the host countries provide meals, lodging and group travel within their districts. Team members only pay for personal and incidental expenses.**

For information/application, contact GSE Chairman **David Bohn** at [David.Bohn@Bradmore4.com](mailto:David.Bohn@Bradmore4.com) or go to [www.Rotarydistrict5280la.org](http://www.Rotarydistrict5280la.org) for the application form and all you need to know. Applications are due by November 1st and December 1st.

Ann Kerr was a fascinating, warm speaker. Her life was exciting, full of adventure and lots of sadness. I think we all felt it.

Thank you **John Lehne** for bring Ann to us ... I think her philosophy was right:

"Take the best of America to the Middle East."

*Did you know that Our Nat won ... when both he and Ann were running for Student Body Prez while at SAMO HI.*



98th Rotary International Annual Convention - June 17 thru 20, 2007 Salt Lake City, Utah

Register now for the RI 2007 Convention! Bring your family and friends to our Rocky Mountain Rendezvous in Salt Lake City! Why attend? Because it is:

**Inspirational** Hear speakers Hyrum W. Smith of Franklin Covey, Tom Ristimaki (ambassadorial scholar), Jenny Horton (former Youth Exchange student working on behalf of polio eradication), and more. Attend workshops about topics you care about! Meet Rotary World Peace Fellows at the World Peace Symposium!

**Affordable** - Reasonable registration and ticket fees as well as Host events and tours. Buy the rendezvous package and save! Register before 1 December to get the biggest discount. Register online by 31 October and receive a limited-edition cyberpioneer pin! Wear it proudly in Salt Lake City! Hotel rates in the RI block are some of the lowest ever. Check out RI airline discount codes before making your reservations

**Convenient** - Preconvention and convention meetings will take place in the Salt Palace Convention Center, a state-of-the-art facility with all the conveniences you've come to expect. From the venue, it is only a 5 to 10-minute walk to downtown hotels and activities.

**Family Friendly** - Affordable prices for convention registration, HOC packages, and very reasonable hotel rates

make it easy to bring the whole family. After you have checked out Salt Lake City's Olympic Parks, historic Temple Square, Hogle Zoo, botanic gardens, and neighboring Park City, visit one of Utah's five national parks. Plan a vacation to Grand Canyon or Yellowstone National Park both are an easy drive from Salt Lake City!

**Online RI Convention registration:**

<https://riweb.rotaryintl.org> - you must have your membership ID number  
**Online Hotel Reservation for individuals and groups:**

<http://www.visitsaltlake.com/r/rotary>

I am passing this on to you because it definitely works, and we could all use a little more calmness in our lives. By following simple advice heard on the Dr. Phil show, you too can find inner peace.

Dr. Phil proclaimed, "The way to achieve inner peace is to finish all the things you've started and never finished."

So, I looked around my house to see all the things I started and hadn't finished, and before leaving the house this morning, I finished off a bottle of Merlot, a bottle of White Zinfandel, a bottle of Bailey's Irish Cream, a bottle of Kahlua, a package of Oreos, the remainder of my old Prozac prescription, the rest of the cheesecake, some Doritos and a box of chocolates ... Then I came to Rotary and joined everyone for lunch.

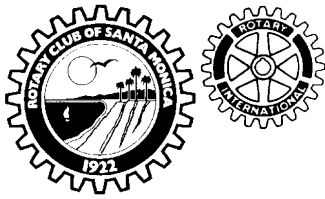
You have no idea how good I felt!

### Calendar of Events

Friday	September	29	Geoff Shackelford	Author - Golf Course History and Design
Friday	September	29	CHILLI COOK-OFF	St. Monica's OctoberFest
Friday	October	06	<b>Mr. Mario Vasquez,</b>	<b>Deputy Consul General</b> of Mexico - Immigration
Friday	October	13	Judy Host	Photography on post Tsunami in Sri Lanka
Tuesday	October	17	District Breakfast	LAX HILTON ***a change
Friday	October	20	Ron Ross	Angel Flight
Friday	October	27	Dennis Tito	Space Tourist
Wednesday	November	01	GSE - Philippines	application deadline
Friday	December	01	GSE - Mexico	application deadline
<b><u>Save These Dates:</u></b>				
Friday	November	03	Doug McIntyre	KABC Talk Radio
Saturday	November	04	Paul Harris Celebration Dinner	Raleigh Studios
Wednesday	December	06	9:45 a.m. The J.B. Nethercutt Collection	
			San Sylmar Museum - contact Shirley Dowling or Bob Moore for all the details.	
Tuesday	January	09	District Breakfast	Crown Plaza Hotel
Thursday	February	01	Our Club's 85th Birthday	
Friday -Sunday				
	April	27 - 29	District Conference	San Diego
Sunday	June	17 - 20	Rotary International Convention	Salt Lake City

Thought for the day comes from Tommy Lasorda, born on this date in 1927: There are three types of baseball players: those who make it happen, those who watch it happen, and those who wonder what happened.

*More to come so please stay tuned . . . RoseMary Regalbuto*



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### LOCAL MAKEUP OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY:	Beverly Hills	12:15 p.m.	Beverly Hills Hotel	9641 West Sunset Blvd.
TUESDAY:	West L.A./Brentwood	12:15 p.m.	Chez Mimi	246 26th Street
	Playa Sunrise	7:15 a.m.	Courtyard by Marriott Hotel	13480 Maxella Ave., MDR
WEDNESDAY:	Century City	12:00 p.m.	The Century Plaza Hotel	5280 Century City
	Malibu	7:30 a.m.	Pepperdine University	24255 Pacific Coast Hwy
	Culver City	12:15 p.m.	Ramada Inn	6333 Bristol Parkway
THURSDAY:	Pacific Palisades	7:15 a.m.	Gladstone's Restaurant	PCH & Sunset
	Venice Marina	12:15 p.m.	Shanghai Reds Restaurant	13813 Fiji Way, MDR
	Westwood Village	12:00 p.m.	Bel Air Hotel	701 Stone Canyon Road

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