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San Marino Rotoscope April 9, 2026



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San Marino Rotary ROTOSCOPE

Written by Paul Brassard

APRIL 2 MEETING RECAP: BIRTHDAY BOX BUILD

Imagine Rotarians using their hands to do something other than write a check or print out a report. But it happened last Thursday at our meeting where members assembled a load of Birthday Cake Baking Kits to be distributed by local charities to families that can't afford a cake and fixings. This program started last year under the direction of Denise Wadsworth. This year, with Denise recuperating, Ginny and Caroline Yu stepped in to make it happen.





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SALES TAXES ARE GOING UP WHETHER WE LIKE IT OR NOT

That was the message delivered by City Manager Philippe Eskandar as he explained the reasoning behind Measure "S" on the June ballot. Currently, our sales tax rate is slightly below the maximum allowed by State law. The county is set to pass a measure that will raise our sales tax rate to the maximum allowed, with most of the increase going to the county government. If we pass our own Measure S, then most of the sales tax increase will go to our city government. To me, it seems like a no-brainer. But if you want more information, you can go to the City's website.



ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH FOR APRIL

Yours truly was presented with a Rotary pin and a bottle of flavored whiskey that will be brought to the TAT party at Isaac's on April 30th.



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BIRTHDAYS WORTH CELEBRATING

Members celebrating April birthdays include Dr. Ben Wolf, Molly Woodford, Dr. Gene Orłowsky, John Donovan, Linda Wah, and Fred Sohl.



CLUB ANNIVERSAREIS NOTED

Andy Barth (28), Jean Brodhead (14), Eugene Sun (11) and Wally Rosvall (3).



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

San Marino High School principal Ben Wolf introduced Kate Chung as SOTM, noting her outstanding leadership in journalism at the high school, something she intends to pursue in college. Kate oversees two student publications and the student website and collaborates with the yearbook editorial staff. She is also on the varsity tennis team.



'ACTS OF KINDNESS' WORTH MENTIONING

Georg Eitinger tagged Fred Sohl for his helpfulness and kindness to club members as he performs his longstanding role as Sergeant-at-Arms and trusted advisor to club presidents. Come see who Fred tags next week.

APRIL 9 PROGRAM: COLLIN ZWICKEL

Our speaker will be Collin Zwickel, who is an ultra-endurance athlete as well as the founder of the Happy Kids Foundation. We thank Nicole Baserri for bringing us this program.

TAT (Thursdays Around Town) April 30, 2026 5:30 pm

Come enjoy a Mexican "Cinco de Mayo"- themed party at the Isaac Hung estate in San Marino. Featuring gourmet tacos, margaritas, and other beverages. Cost is only \$30. Please RSVP to Grace Yang at graceyangdesign@hotmail.com



GINNY SAYS "SAVE THE DATES"

The end of the Rotary Year is fast approaching. There are two dates you must save:

Thursday June 26, at our regular meeting time, will be Ginny's demotion. Location to be advised.

Saturday June 27, evening, will be a Member Appreciation Party at the Pasadena home of Barbara Bice. Bring your spouse or a friend to this celebration.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE REMINDER

Don't forget this year's district conference is set for April 24-26, at the beautiful Gaylord Pacific Resort and Convention Center in Chula Vista (San Diego) CA. This conference is a great opportunity to learn more about Rotary and connect with other Rotarians from near and far.

To register, go <https://unitedforgood2026.com/registration/>.

Upcoming Program and Event Schedule (Invite a Friend

April 9 Collin Zwickel, Happy Kids Foundation, ultra endurance athlete

April 16 Titan Business Plan Competition

April 23 Elise Barclay, Curator, O'Melveny Art Collection; Barth Scholarship presentation

April 30 Thursdays About Town, Isaac Hung's backyard, RSVP required.

May 7 John Jones, Annual Teacher Mini-Grant recipient reports

May 14 Wally Rosvall, Community Grant presentations