

## San Marino Rotoscope August 15, 2024



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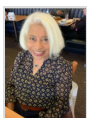
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### ROTSOPE Presidentâ€™s Corner August 15, 2024 Written by Paul Brassard

#### August 8 Meeting Recap: Urban Forester

We all learned a lot from Lora Hall, who is a horticulturalist and certified arborist currently working as the Urban Forester for the City of San Marino. Her job is to care for the 10,000 trees that are on public property in San Marino. It is the abundance of these trees and the many trees on private residential lots that sets us apart from most of the neighborhoods in the Los Angeles basin. They help clean the air and lower our temperatures. Thanks to Linda Wah for arranging this program.



#### THE FINES WILL CONTINUE UNTIL MORALE IMPROVES

Members are getting fined left and right, and deservedly so. Steve Talt was fined for being inducted to the San Marino High School â€œTitanâ€ Hall of fame, alongside legitimate honorees like Jim Gott, class of 1977. This editor was skeptical that serving as mayor was enough to be an inaugural inductee. Then he realized that Steveâ€™s past service as president of the Rotary Club was what actually sealed the deal. That should be motivation for Titan graduate and current Mayor Steve Huang to strive to be Rotary club president so that he too can be inducted to the HOF.

#### August 15 PROGRAM: TWO CRAFT TALKS

##### Dr. Lena Richter

Dr. Richter currently serves as the Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services for the San Marino School District. She is passionate about public education and brings with her over 30 years of experience in the field. She has served as a classroom teacher, principal, director, and assistant superintendent. Dr. Richter earned her BA Degree in Child Psychology from



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Superintendent Dr. Hunter earned her BA Degree in Child Psychology from the UC Santa Barbara, her master's in educational administration from Cal State LA, and her doctorate from USC.

### **Hunter Chang**

Hunter is a long-time resident of San Marino and married to Annie, who served as the city treasurer for many years. Hunter has served the community in many capacities, including the San Marino Public Safety Commission, Vice-Chair of San Marino City Club, First Vice President of the San Marino Schools Foundation, San Marino Traffic Advisory Commission, Former Chair of the Tournament of Roses, and as Neighborhood Watch Block Captain. He recently retired after a 33-year career as an aerospace engineer.

### **PUT DOWN THOSE SCREENS AND PICK UP A BOOK!**

Mary Ulin is organizing a Rotary Book Club for our members. The book club will meet five times a year on the second Wednesday of the month: September 11th (nonfiction), November 13th (fiction), January 8th (classic), March 12th (nonfiction), and May 14th (fiction).

The first meeting, on September 11th at 6:30pm, will be at Mary's house: 754 La Mirada Avenue, San Marino. There will be snacks and beverages.

Because it is already August, the first book has been selected by Mary: *The Demon of Unrest* by Erik Larsen.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/195608683-the-demon-of-unrest>

In the future, Rotary members will be asked to nominate books. We'll then vote from that list to make the reading selections for the rest of the year.

To be part of the San Marino Rotary Book Club, please email Mary:

[englishwithMary91108@gmail.com](mailto:englishwithMary91108@gmail.com)

### **AUGUST PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES â€” Mark your calendar**

AUG 15 TWO CRAFT TALKS Dr. Lena Richter and Hunter Chang  
AUG 22 Vin Chee, â€œMy Migration to the US and Being a Magicianâ€  
AUG 24 Motor Classic Gala â€” Lacy Park, evening, Tickets \$300  
AUG 25 Motor Classic Lacy Park â€” Daytime --All Rotarians Volunteer  
AUG 29 DARK at the Church. Evening TAT at Gaucho Grill, Pasadena