

### THIS WEEK

District Governor **RICHARD DELLI'ACQUA** joins the Rotary Club of Redlands for a visit today. And remember all of the stuff about the visit in last week's *The Spoke*? Forget it. **Prez ALLAN** informed your scribe that protocol changes for the second visit. Now he's part of *la familia*.

### LAST WEEK

San Bernardino County Sheriff ROD HOOPS and Nebraska native informed the club about his path from youth to sheriff, and discussed issues such as jail overcrowding and medical marijuana. **FLORIN ROMINU** learned just how many plants he's legally allowed to grow on behalf of his clients by virtue of a special "caregiver" proxy. If you're not already friends with him, now might be a good time!

### NEXT WEEK

Join **BRIAN AHLERS** for the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards report. No doubt we'll all learn new camp lyrics about crabs, fishes, and who knows what else.

### ABOUT TOWN

Barely able to contain his, umm, excitement about news of the return of LANDON DONOVAN, world soccer (that's football to the rest of the world) star, to Redlands, **DON MCCUE** was among the first to plead for tickets to the special event held at Redlands East Valley High School. Waving a sign which read "Redlands [heart] you Landycakes!", he was jealous of fellow Rotarian **NEAL WANER** for his role in the festivities, including the closing shot to be seen the world over on ESPN.

Rumor has it that the special honor of "first person down the water slide" at **JIM BRASWELL'S** soon-to-reopen Pharaoh's Lost Kingdom will be **PAT MEYER**. Hopefully his trip down the slide will go as smoothly as the permit process through the City of Redlands was this time around.

Helping himself to a whopping good time last Friday in Phillip Paxton's "Cellar" was almost-sommelier **ED MALESKY**. The party was so good that he and his posse closed down the joint.

Doubtless because of coercion by the likes of **BRUCE SATZGER** and **ZACK TUCKER**, we all need to rally support for our dancing queen **CAROLE BESWICK**. Her competition may be fierce, especially from the dancing Kiwanian, but we **CAROLE** will ultimately triumph in a crushing victory.

And speaking of the Redlands Symphony, doesn't **ZACK'S** picture on all of those posters look just swell? A smile on the face of all those who gaze upon it.

### ALLAN'S AVENUE

The Rotary Clubs of this fair city can be very proud of how the Redlands Service Club Council has developed over the past two years. From our first joint project with the members of the initial council (now numbering 19 organizations) working at Sylvan Park, to this years multiple park projects (Brookside, Community, Crafton, Ford, Jenny Davis, and Smiley) there can be no doubt that the Council's impact on this City's public image and service potential is significant, a fact that has been acknowledged by the Quality of Life Director, Gary Van Dorst, and our city fathers with a proclamation at a recent council meeting. This has been accomplished by the combined volunteer effort of hundreds of individuals, and the donation of close to \$30,000 these past two years, saving the City probably triple that amount in maintenance costs. The next International Rotary work day, April 24th, our club and many others from the Council will be installing barbeques and performing several other tasks at these parks, an effort **PAT MEYERS** has already mentioned, and for which he is seeking your help. As **PAT** has said he needs about 15 people, so please consider showing up for this event – be sure you contact **PAT** in advance. Our Club will be working at Ford, Jenny Davis, and Smiley Parks that morning from 8 to noon, with lunch being provided by the Kiwanis Clubs at Ford Park at the conclusion of the days work.