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*Svilen Kostov and Daniel Hammer* describe classroom experiments with the gyroscope in their paper beginning on p. 216 of this issue, The article is accompanied by the description of a related by Wolfgang Christian, that is available in the OSP ComPADRE Collection.