



Rotary Club of Palos Verdes Peninsula · December 19, 2008

If You Missed Us On December 12

## ROTARY'S INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

—by Rita Bhatia

Invocation: **Greg O'Brien**

Pledge: Past DG Rick Mendoza (guest)

Patriotic song: **Dian Ashley**

Guest intro: **Julia Parton**

Speaker: Brad Robinson—Past President of Beverly Hills Rotary.

Next Friday our meeting will a club business meeting to discuss projects for the new year. We are dark the following two weeks.

There will be a Board meeting next week (confirm it's at **John LaBella's**

home). **President Bruce Attig** encouraged anyone interested to attend.

Brad Robinson encouraged every Rotary member to participate in international projects. He said the Rotary Foundation raised \$118 million for international projects and that District 5820 participated to the tune of more than \$900,000. He shared with us via video his group's participation in a project in the Dominican Republic. He showed photos of his fact-finding trips and the coordinated efforts of

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### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**DECEMBER 19:** Club business meeting

**DECEMBER 26 & JANUARY 2:** DARK.

### CLUB CALENDAR

**JANUARY 5:** District Breakfast

**JANUARY 11:** Christmas Train to Tecate, Mexico

*PICTURED ABOVE from the left: Julia Parton, Ralph Manuel, former club member and past president Gus Velarde, and Ethel Gross.*



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**ROTARY CLUB OF  
 PALOS VERDES PENINSULA**  
 Chartered March 26, 1962

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*Mel Schrier* went home with two bottles of wine,  
 thanks to **Julia Parton**.

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two other Rotary Clubs, Miami Rotary and Houston Rotary, in putting this trip together.

Brad then elaborated on a gadget that his group has promoted called the “bio-Sand filter”. We saw video clips of how another Rotarian, Bob Hilder, had also promoted this gadget and used his own personal foundation to make repeated trips to Dominican Republic to install and educate people how to use it. Apparently, this gadget attaches to a local water source and filters out most impurities and bacteria. One filter usually produces four liters of water at the stationary source. It is also being used to clean stream water as it passes through the filter. A few members had questions about all this.

Brad said that one Rotary clubs

built bakeries in El Salvador and the bakeries are providing training and jobs for local citizens.

There have also been wheelchair projects that District 5820 has sponsored.

**Julia Parton** and **Mel Schrier** won the Lottery. **Julia** gifted her bottle to **Mel**.

## CLUB NEWS

**A MEMORIAL CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR CYNTHIA SCHRIER** is set for Sunday, December 28, 2 to 5 PM, at the Bay Club Clubhouse. **Rotarians, spouses, friends: Please plan to attend.**