



Rotary Club of Palos Verdes Peninsula · February 6, 2009

If You Missed Us On January 30

INVENTOR SPICES UP OUR LUNCH HOUR

—by Liz Fitzgerald

Greeter **Derald Sidler**, Sergeant-at-Arms **Phyllis Pelezarre** and **President Bruce** welcomed us. **Dave Johnsen** gave the invocation, **Derald Sidler** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, and **Julia Parton** led us in singing “God Bless America.” Past President **Gary Tossell** inducted **Paul Rubincam**, who was sponsored for membership by **Jeff Parker**. Paul shared that he was first introduced to Rotary’s good works by his best friend in college who was an Ambassadorial Scholar. **Paul** is looking

forward to getting involved in our club’s community service right away.

“Soon-To-Be-President **John Polen** introduced the 2009/2010 Board of Directors. The club unanimously approved the board. **Mel Schrier** introduced guests: Susi Zimmerman, State Farm Insurance, guest of **Shawn Nejad**; and Theresa Smith, daughter of our program speaker. **Bruce** led us in the Welcome Song. **Allan Colman** and **Inga Liden** won the raffle.

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

FEBRUARY 6: Hon. Greg O’Brien speaking on Arbitration vs. Litigation

FEBRUARY 13: Total Business Solutions: “Identity Theft & Red Flag Laws”

CLUB CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 22: **Academy Awards** party. To sign up for this red-carpet event see Debbie Dietch.

MARCH 8: Family day at the **Auto Driving Museum**. Sign up with Debbie Dietch.

PICTURED ABOVE: Nancy Crawford (l), Donna Duperon



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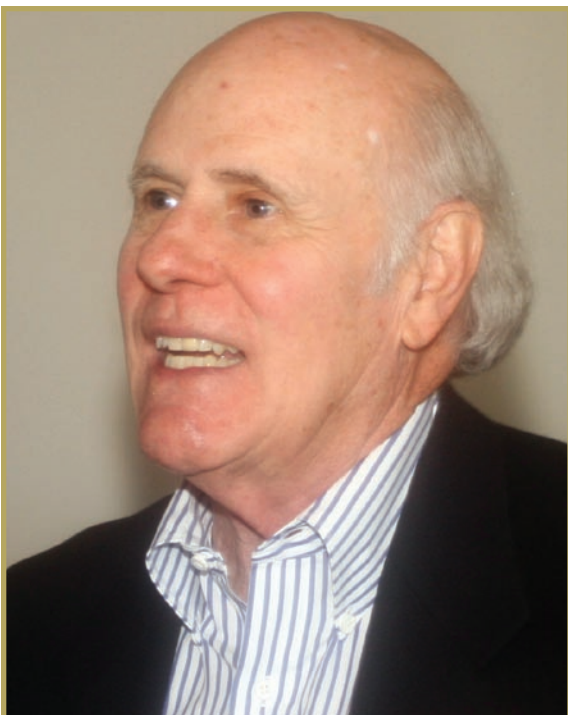
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*We welcome new Rotarian **Paul Rubincam**
 into our club.*

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Club Service director **Debbie Deitch** invited us to an Academy Awards night on February 22. If interested, call **Debbie** (310-377-7796). **Debbie** also announced we will have a Rotary family party at the Auto Driving Museum in El Segundo on March 8. *Be sure to save the date!*

President Bruce invited members to join the Rotary table(s) at the PVP Chamber's Salute to Business dinner on February 12. **Shawn Nejad's** Rancho Palos Verdes Flowers is being honored as "Best New Business." Call **Bruce** (310-374-8309) to make a reservation to attend. **Bruce** thanked **Harry Kitter** for getting Qantas Airlines to donate toiletry items for homeless people served by the Loaves & Fishes program. In November our club members donated jackets and worked in

the Loaves and Fishes clothing project.

Mary Jane Schoenheider introduced our speaker, William Smith, president of Dynamic Designs. Bill is a brilliant man, with an incredible ability to think outside the box. He has had five different careers and has been recognized as an innovator and outstanding in each career field. He introduced us to his invention the Spice Device—a very clever top for spice bottles that enables the user to measure spices precisely and quickly while cooking. The Spice Device competed successfully on "American Inventor." Bill has sold thousands at Bristol Farms, the Grand Old Opry, and other venues. We were all pleased to receive a Spice Device to take home.

In Bill's first career, he was a fire-
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CLUB NEWS

2009-10 CLUB LEADERS

Congratulations to us for electing a wonderful slate of directors and chairs to serve our club in the next Rotary year.

These leaders are:

DIRECTORS

President _____ John Polen
President-elect _____ Keith Deisenroth
Secretary _____ Mel Schrier
Treasurer _____ David Rowe
Club Service _____ Debbie Deitch
Community Service _____ Tony Cangas
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_____ & Jim Hartman
Rotary in the Home _____ Nancy Crawford



Inventor / engineer / attorney Bill Smith was a fascinating speaker

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man in Miami, Florida. He then went to work for North American Rockwell designing spacecrafts. When working at The Aerospace Corporation on the space station and other projects he was awarded the Aerospace Corp's highest award for its scientists. After retiring from aerospace, Bill went to law school and in 1981 opened a successful law office specializing in personal injury, divorce, worker's comp and probate.

Then he retired again, until he noticed a classified advertising that Disney was looking for a project engineer. Bill applied and was hired to be the primary designer for the new Disneyland in Japan. Bill's a great storyteller. He entertained us with harrowing tales of X-15 and Atlas Able-5 test flights. We learned the engineering secrets used to make the giant globe fountain and Indiana Jones ride at Disneyland Japan.

What's he doing now? Bill is inventing a better pill dispenser for prescriptions and vitamins. ●

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE CELEBRATING IN FEBRUARY

ROTARY INDUCTIONS

Jacqueline Ignon _____ 2-1-95
Jiheeh Huh _____ 2-15-02
John R.Polen _____ 2-15-02
Lynn Cardarelli _____ 2-29-08

BIRTHDAYS

Wesley D. Woodruff _____ 2-4
Les Fishman _____ 2-5
Jeffrey L. Parker _____ 2-12
Gustavo Demoner _____ 2-14
Jacqueline Ignon _____ 2-15
Kjell-Ake (Shell) Hellberg _____ 2-16
Flynn Turner _____ 2-19
John Schuricht _____ 2-20
Liz Fitzgerald _____ 2-23
Ralph Manuel _____ 2-26

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Mimi & John Gong _____ 2-7
Richard & Christine Barnicki _____ 2-14
Robin & Allan Colman _____ 2-17
Connie & Harold Lazar _____ 2-24
Tony Scott & Carolyn Lehr _____ 2-28



PVP ROTARY MEETS FACEBOOK

For all you Facebook members, your Rotary Club now has a presence. This was created simply to improve our global social networking with fellow Rotarians. When on Facebook, search for Rotary PVP and find our home. We've already gotten a number of friends. Make yourself one of them. It's free. ●

**Two fun social events are coming up.
See details and reservation information
on the next page.**

Party like the stars we are at
the pre-, during-, and post-

**PVP Rotary Club
Academy Awards Gala,
Sunday, February 22
5 p.m.**

You and your date will enjoy a red-carpet evening as you view the Oscar presentations on big-screen television and partake of lavish food, libation, entertainment and unbeatable fellowship.

Casual attire required.

For reservations sign up at a Rotary meeting or contact Debbie Deitch at (310) 377-7796 or ddeitchca@aol.com. Watch for more details.



Rotary Family Excursion at the museum that takes you for a ride!

**Sunday, March 8, 2 p.m.
Automobile Driving Museum**



Take ride back in time through automotive history at the Automobile Driving Museum, where you can actually ride in the cars of yesteryear. More than 70 classic cars are on display plus there are trains, games, gift shop, and an old-time soda fountain where Rotarians and their families will enjoy an old-fashioned root-beer float.

The museum is easy to find at **610 Lairport Street, El Segundo**. Visit their website at www.automobiledrivingmuseum.org.

For reservations for you and your family members, sign up at a Rotary meeting or contact Debbie Deitch at (310) 377-7796 or ddeitchca@aol.com.