



LA ROTACIÓN

Rotary Club of Palos Verdes Peninsula · July 25, 2008

If You Missed Us On July 18

Ed Long's New, Helping Endeavors

— by Rick Learned

The meeting was convened by **Harry Kitter** as people adjusted their glasses and hearing aids in disbelief. **Harry** assured the crowd that it was not Groundhog Day and that he was merely filling in for our new president who could not be with us today. **Jim Hartman** gave the invocation followed by **Shuja Oberoi** with the Pledge of Allegiance. The patriotic song was led by **Steve Day's** table without the benefit of piano accompaniment.

A visiting Rotarian, Sonny Gancayco from the Historic Filipinatown Rotary Club, was introduced; Sunny told us about the 5K run their club will be sponsoring

on August 2 near Belmont high school. **Kieth Diesenroth** introduced our guests. Derald Sidler was a special guest today and turned in his application to join the club. **Steve Day** brought his daughter who won the raffle and took cash instead of booze. **Mel Schrier** won the wine and **Chris Stillians** got the ale.

Mel Schrier attempted to introduce the speaker but before doing so he asked if anyone had read his article in *La Rotación* about the evening things going on. There were no hands raised so **Mel** told us that we are looking for a nice home with a big television. He promised that
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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

JULY 25: Leonard Aube, managing director of the Annenberg Foundation, one of the largest foundations in the United States. Topic: "Working with the Peninsula community to enhance the family destination and educational experience of Lower Pointe Vicente as part of the Rancho Palos Verdes vision plan." A mouthful, but of extreme interest to the community. Great opportunity to bring guests.

PICTURED ABOVE: *Steve Day brought his daughter to lunch last week. She's off to Paris soon, where she'll be working as an au pair for six months.*



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SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:

Please let one of these Rotarians know if you have news about a fellow member.
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A raffle winner last week, Chris Stillians was happy to take home a six-pack of nut-brown ale.

If You Missed Us Last Week, continues we might show members' travel photos and/or rent a pretty good movie and have some fun. Finally Mel introduced our speaker, Ed Long.

After the long introduction Ed came to the podium and told us that he was going to talk for twenty minutes about Mel. After the laughter subsided he began to explain that his retirement from H.E.L.P. was part of a long-term succession plan and that he was thrilled to know that the organization will continue without him and Pat.

Next, Ed told us about his recent appointment to the Board of the Library District. He asked for a show of hands for anyone who could identify the latest branch of the Library District, but seeing no hands he told us that the District now has a branch on the Internet.

Finally, Ed told us about his latest endeavor, Caring House, which is an alternative to traditional institutional care.



It was wonderful to have former club member Ed Long as our speaker.

Caring House will be open to terminally ill adults, providing a homelike environment, with staff and volunteers dedicated to providing compassionate care. ●

PVP ROTARY CLUB NEWS

WANTED. —by *Mel Schrier*. I'm looking for one, or several homes, with relatively large TV's and accessories that will play DVD's. As program chair I would like to initiate regular, informal evenings of travel slides for 10 to 20 Rotarians and family members. Many of us have wonderful photos to share; or perhaps a recent movie can be rented and screened for the group. Wine and cheese, or coffee and cake, might be served. Since Rotary in the Home does such a good job promoting Rotarian camaraderie, I thought we might add these types of evenings. Let me know at eyedocmel@cox.net, at 310.541.1947, or at a meeting. ●

CLUB PINS FOR SALE. **PHYLIIS PELEZZARE** is now the **PIN LADY**, selling club pins for members to buy. **PHYLLIS**, also the sergeant-at-arms, has the pins available at each meeting at the sergeant-at-arms table, or members can contact **PHYLLIS** directly at pelezzare@yahoo.com or 310.377.9907. ●

NEW BOARD POLICY REGARDING GUESTS. A special guest can visit the club three times for free. Special guests are defined as anyone having a genuine interest in joining the club.

THE CONCOURS ROAD RALLYE IS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29. Look for the wonderful posters advertising the event, which will be visible soon at the Promenade at the Peninsula. They are designed by our own **Greg Sparkman**, who is chairing the rally. And, join in the fun of the event: Grab your sweetie or a friend, gas up your car, and motor around the South Bay seeking clues to the who-dun-it of this murder-mystery road rally. More information coming soon. ●



SEEN AROUND TOWN. Along with a number of other Rotarians, **Mel Schrier** was spotted at the Celebrate Chefs event last weekend. The event was sponsored by The Associates, a support group of the Palos Verdes Art Center.