



LA ROTACIÓN

Rotary Club of Palos Verdes Peninsula · May 1, 2009

If You Missed Us On April 24

SPIES, ESPIONAGE, COVER-UPS AND MORE

—by *Chris Stillians*

- Greeter: **Keith Deisenroth**
- Sergeants-at-Arms: **Phyllis Pelezzare** and Debbie Deitch
- Invocation: **Woody Woodruff**
- Pledge of Allegiance: **Jim Hartman**
- Patriotic Song: Dian Ashley
- Guest Welcome: **Nancy Crawford...**
- Guests: Susan Zimmerman and husband, Steve; Kay Finer from the PV Chamber of Commerce; Wendy Lee, Tammy Bouse from the L.A. County Sheriff's Dept.; and Art Yoon from Cox Cable, a special guest.

- Welcome Song: **Hang Up Moon**
- Raffle Winners: **Hal Lazar** and **Julia Parton**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **John Polen** announced that he was going to the District Conference by himself, and that he would certainly welcome everyone and anyone to accompany him. He mentioned the same thing about the District Assembly at the Carson Community Center on Saturday May 16 at 7:30 A.M. He said this
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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

MAY 1: TBA

MAY 8: Club art contest for high school students

CLUB CALENDAR

MAY 12: District Breakfast

MAY 16: District Assembly

JUNE 7 (SUNDAY): DEMOTION DINNER. SAVE THE DATE. DETAILS TO FOLLOW.

*PICTURED ABOVE: Our newest club member, **Suzy Zimmerman**, received all the paraphernalia of Rotary membership after being inducted last week. With Suzy is her husband, Steve.*



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Our speaker, Navy spy Jerry Stall, had some great stories of undercover work and top-secret escapades.

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was a good opportunity to learn about leadership in Rotary.

- **Bruce** told us about the upcoming district breakfast, the feature subject to be “Gang”-related.
- Kay Finer told us that Susie and **Bob Gulcher** were going to be this year’s “Citizens of the Year.” The dinner to honor them would be on October 2 in the evening at Trump International Golf Course. She also reminded us about the P.V. Street Fair coming up on June 6–7. There will be live music, including country singer Boomer McLennan, always a crowd-pleaser. There will also be a dog show, Radio Disney, and Hanna Montana giveaways.
- Induction: **Woody Woodruff** was honored to induct **Susan Zimmerman**. She was introduced to our club by **Shawn Najat**.

Paul Harris Fellow: **Jim Hartman** presented **Moon** with a Paul Harris Fellow. **Jim** said he really liked **Moon**, and really appreciated all he has contributed to the Club.

OUR SPEAKER, Jerry Stall, was introduced by **Clara Duran Reed**. Jerry was a career captain in the Navy, and is a native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was a special agent with the Department of the Navy, stationed in San Francisco. He was responsible for blocking Soviet intelligence. He later was stationed out of Hawaii in charge of tracking Soviet submarines. It was important to know on a daily basis what their positions were.

He then spent time in San Francisco doing work with a counter drug

CLUB NEWS

WE'LL BE VOTING NEXT FRIDAY . . .

on art work submitted by high school students from the Peninsula area. This is our club's contest, which is part of a district-wide contest. Think "speech contest;" now delect the talk and add the visual. Viola!

We've haven't had this contest in a few years but many of us will remember how interesting and fun it is to view the photography, watercolors, oil paintings, sculpture, collages, and more that our young people create. Next Friday os a meeting you won't want to miss.

Our thanks to **Jackie Ignon** for making all the arrangement with schools and students so this event could take place again. ●

CALL FOR PHOTOS

Marcia Haber, our club historian, requests any digital photos members may have taken since June 2008. Please send them to her at marciahaber@verizon.net or hand deliver to her at one of our Friday meetings. ASAP in March is appreciated. ●

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Nancy Crawford, left, brought her friend **Wendy Lee** to the meeting. Wendy has heard all the rumors and wanted to see for herself what really goes on at PVGC on Fridays at noon.



On hand to promote upcoming PV Chamber events was **Kay Finer**, the Chamber's executive director.

command. He also worked at that time with at a Defense Intelligence Agency in Los Angeles doing human intelligence.

He told us about a top-secret event involving listening in to an undersea cable off the Soviet coast. He told us that aircraft carriers required a head wind generated by forward motion to launch aircraft.

Jerry relayed a story regarding the humanitarian side of the Navy. All the coconut groves on the island of Rodrique were wiped out by a hurricane, so the Navy off-loaded 4,000 coconuts to reestablish the plants.

Captain Stall's real claim to fame, Ha-Ha! was his revelation that he was officially the last Naval officer to dance with a stripper at an officers' club. Apparently the Top Brass found out about it and were not pleased. His commanding officer at the time buried the whole thing in the bilge of the ship, never to be heard about again.

Bruce thanked Jerry for his talk, presented him with the famous flash light ,and told him it could be used as his alternative lighthouse in a storm. ●