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In case Craig might not have sent this too you, I thought you would like to see what Past President Jeff Kaes wrote in our newsletter about your visit. He was substituting for our regular editor who was attending to her ailing husband. Here's what he wrote and I know him very, very well and this was from his heart!

Smoky Hill Rotary Club article on my presentation on March 31, 2008

TODAY'S SPEAKER

Provisional Editor's Editorial: You know, I've seen/heard well over 1000 thirty minute Rotary lunch programs, from trampoline salesmen to over twenty District Governors, and including a huge number of "Inspirational" speakers. Well today's program inspired me! A rare individual, who has made a difference for people with whom she had no previous relationship, was our speaker today. I was humbled and grateful that we got to hear from Pam Gilbert today.

TODAY'S SPEAKER was Pam Gilbert. Pam, a Rotarian who has yet to join a club, wandered into an Ecuadorian village and has built a school, a water system, and improved their sanitation and standard of living by pure good thoughts and hard work, while networking with Rotarians and Engineers without Borders. Wow. Pam adopted a village, Malingua Pamba, a Quecha village, about 10,000 feet above sea level in Ecuador. She was instrumental in building a secondary school for students who used to walk 2 hours each way to the nearest school. Not being satisfied with the 2 room school, she helped expand the school with a second floor that includes a computer lab and sewing machines. Not being satisfied with the school, she got Engineers without Borders to start working on a water system and she put in a composting toilet for the school. Her plans include a new community center and she has started a micro Village Bank. To learn more about her work and check out [HYPERLINK "blocked::http://www.swiftpageemail.com/SpeClicks.aspx?Acc=SSI.GraySarge&SPCED=C080401084300&LNK=1&UIId=17"](http://www.swiftpageemail.com/SpeClicks.aspx?Acc=SSI.GraySarge&SPCED=C080401084300&LNK=1&UIId=17) or www.swiftpageemail.com/SpeClicks.aspx?Acc=SSI.GraySarge&SPCED=C080401084300&LNK=1&UIId=17 www.escuelaminga.org or send an email to [HYPERLINK "blocked::mailto:gilbertp0012@yahoo.com"](mailto:gilbertp0012@yahoo.com) or <mailto:gilbertp0012@yahoo.com> gilbertp0012@yahoo.com. You can adopt a child's education for \$60 or contribute to the water project. Or take a trip to Ecuador and use your skills to help out!