

In the 20 years that I have been with SCR, I have to say that there have been many, many wonderful moments that I will never forget ... our first of 10 Exchange Students, the camaraderie at each Shrimporee, attending RI Conventions, traveling on Vocational Training Trips to other countries, working at RI Headquarters, attending super wine tastings with the Rotary Wine Appreciation Fellowship in Portugal and Australia, and on and on.

But, if I were to point to the most memorable and uplifting moment (for me) it would be the day we dedicated the first dam in the Bolivian Andes (built by Rotary Clubs and Districts around the world, but sponsored by SCR). The Quechua Indian Village Leaders, the Bolivian Government, and the Church Community all were on hand to celebrate the first year-round resource of water provisioning in a drought stricken part of the world. I have tried to pull out a couple of pictures that depicted that 2 year-long process ... but they may not be applicable to what you had intended.

1. Geoff Atwater inspecting the construction of the Dam in 2008
2. Stan Galanski attending the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in 2009 (Dam in the background)
3. The resultant product – a new manmade lake in Bolivia (in 2010) that supplied irrigation water for villages across an entire territory.