

# The Rotarygram

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### Meeting Highlights....



Left: Lynne Harris speaking to our Membership.

**Right:** Lynne with Principal Cherie Spammer & President Barbara Baerg signing Children's Book.

Thank You, Lynne!



**Today's Program—Lynne Harris, "Identity Theft:"** Today, we learned from Lynne about Identity Theft and how this effects our lives. We also saw a video presentation titled "You are at Risk." Lynne explained how identity theft is the fastest growing crime. Everyone is at risk! 9.9 million people are victimized and \$53 billion in damages incurred. Furthermore, 1 in 5 people will be victims of this type of crime per statistics which are proven. Victims' information come from banks, schools, jobs, IRS, dumpsters, skimming, phishing, social engineering, retail, etc.... As well, hackers steal information from computers as well as credit card processing companies! Thank you Lynne for a great speak! We look forward to hearing more from you soon and further teachings.

Thank you everyone for a fantastic Program today & John Alexander for taking photos!

### Quote for the day....

If you think a complimentary thought about someone, don't just think it.  
Dare to compliment people and pass on compliments to them from other!

Catherine Ponder

**"Medicine, to produce health, has to examine disease;  
And music, to create harmony, must investigate discord."**

- Lives, Demetrius, sec. 1, Plutarch, A.D. 46-120

## Announcements/Highlights Continued....

### Updates/Comments:

- Paul reminded everyone about the Entertainment Books. They are available from Ken Worthen, Paul Davis and Barbara Mack. They are \$25.00 a piece, except for Orange County, which is \$35.00.
- President Barbara announced that for the District Christmas party each Club will host 10 children. Cherie Spamer and Margie Hawkins will choose five deserving children from their schools. Cost for food per plate will be \$5.00 and a \$10.00 Gift will be given to each child. The event is on December 10<sup>th</sup>.
- President Barbara announced to everyone that cookbooks are still available -- \$10 per book. These will make a fantastic gift for someone due to the Holidays coming up. This is a suggestion of course.
- Jim announced the Football Pool Contest. Each square is \$10. Please sign your name in a square and give the cash or check to Leo O'Biecunas. Thanks to Leo for making the Board. Join us November 30 for our UCLA/USC party.
- December 21 is the Rotary Children's Holiday Party and will be held at the YMCA. Bring your Children and Grandchildren and introduce them to other future Rotarians including Isabella Faith Bloomquist and Victoria Hope Anderson. Santa will be visiting us that day.
- Our theme for January lunch programs will be "Health." Paul Davis will start the month off speaking about health insurance and the new Medicare Part D. It pays to be informed.
- Fines handed out by Flip and Paul: Joe DiFatta – went to see his Family in Sicily & called Carlos as well as Irv on their birthdays; Charles Bloomquist – for the weight of his new daughter; Jim Sullivan – for the retreat he attended.
- December 9<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, a Holiday Party at Paul's house is being planned. This will be our traditional potluck for women, and dinner out for the men. Afterwards, we all get together for desert and coffee. Mark your Calendars now!
- Charles Bloomquist announced the birth of his daughter, Isabella Faith Bloomquist on 9/13/05.
- December 16 is our annual Holiday Outreach Program. Food baskets will be given to underprivileged families at Cohasset and Bassett Street Elementary schools. Please ask your family, friends and co-workers for donations. Let's roll up our sleeves and make this a great event. 94<sup>th</sup> Aero squadron is asking their vendors for donations.
- December 6<sup>th</sup> is the Mid Valley Community Police Council meeting at 8am at the LAPD Van Nuys station. There will be a tour of the station and we will view the renovation work that has been started.
- As always, much appreciation and gratitude to everyone for all that they do!



## Recognition/Acknowledgements...



**Left:** Charles Bloomquist speaking to Members.

Charles is holding photo of new daughter.

**Below:** See enlarged photo.



**Left:** New born Isabella Faith Bloomquist.

Congratulations and "Welcome!"

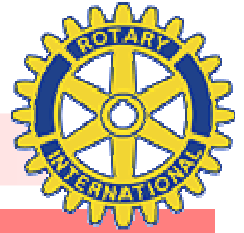
We Love You!



**Left:** President Barbara Baerg, Charles Bloomquist; and Felicia Clofer and Aldo Pacifici from New Horizons

Honorees received a commendation Certificate and \$50 US Savings Bond.





## "Service Above Self"

**Rotary Club of Van Nuys**

## Upcoming Programs

Joint Service Club Meeting!  
See you at - Church of the Chimes

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Nov. 26 Irv Ryder  
Dec. 17 Tom Harris  
Dec. 24 Fred Rabban  
Dec. 26 Gonzalo Tejada

### **HOT DATES**

Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> Holiday Party at the home of Paul Davis  
Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> **District Christmas Party** at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church  
Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> **Holiday Outreach Program** Bassett & Cohasset Street Schools  
Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> **Rotary Children's Party** YMCA – bring children & grandchildren

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