

THE ROTARYGRAM

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JULY 2004

- July 7 President Rivera takes office as we kick off the 100th year of Rotary. This is always an "interesting" meeting.
- July 14 Club Assembly; Plans and Projects for 2004-2005-your chance to plan the club's future.
- July 21 Steve Hall the piano man and Roger Owens the Dodger stadium peanut man will be our program
- July 28 Governor's Official Visit-meet District 5260 Governor Kermit Floyd and hear his insights and goals for the coming Rotary year.

The Governor will meet with our officers and directors prior to the regular meeting.

President Jim opened the last meeting of his year as president by offering ice cream cake to everyone for dessert as well as offering the day's invocation.

He then called upon Paul Davis for the flag salute and asked Barbara Baerg to lead a song. Barbara chose the Marine Corp Hymn in honor of Tony Quiroga who has been reactivated and will be going to Iraq this fall. God speed Tony and come home safely.

Our visiting Rotarian was Steve McCloud of the Studio City, Sherman Oaks club and guests included the aforementioned Tony Quiroga and Judi Rose, Director of Public Affairs at Valley Community Clinic in North Hollywood.

PDG Joe DiFatta reminded us all that Dodger night is tonight. Club members will be taking underprivileged kids from the YMCA and Cohasset Elementary to their first ball game. The Y is providing



transportation for the kids and the club is providing the tickets along with a Dodger Dog and a soda. If you aren't able to go we hope that you will cheer for the kids and the dodgers tonight. A big thanks to Joe DiFatta, Carlos Rivera, Ruben Corona, Cherie Spamer and everyone else who put this terrific event together.

Joe also offered a reminder of our upcoming programs for the month of July. Irv Ryder is chairing the Program Committee this year and a number of club members have offered to help. If you have any ideas for a program please let Irv or any of his assistants know about it.

International Chair Mike Quiroga announced that the club, in conjunction with the non-profit V.O.S.H. (Volunteer Optometrists Serving Humanity) will be going to Mexico August 6, 7 and 8 to do an eye clinic. Many of the people in Mexico have never had an eye exam before and over half will be given glasses to correct vision problems. Archie Kidwell and Larry Winnick are collecting any glasses that you no longer have a need for.

Judi Rose announced that the Valley Community Clinic is involved with the Susan G. Koman Foundation and BMW to fight breast cancer. On Wednesday, July 14 BMW will donate \$1 for every test mile driven at **North Hollywood BMW**, 5626 Tujunga Ave., N. Hollywood to the Susan G. Koman Foundation.

They need 18 licensed drivers over the age of 21 to drive these new BMW's from North Hollywood BMW to Glendale BMW. This is your chance to drive a cool car and do a service for the community.

Contact Judi Rose at 818-763-1718, ext. 201.

2004-2005 board of directors meeting

The first meeting of the Van Nuys Rotary 2004-2005 Board of Directors met at Mission Community Hospital on Wednesday, June 23, 2004.

The meeting was called to order at 12 noon by incoming club president Carlos Rivera who gave a brief welcome and thanked everyone who had volunteered to serve in the coming year.

He then called upon Ken Benson for the Secretary's report and he indicated that club membership currently stood at 37 members who were evenly spread among ages and tenure in the club. He also mentioned that there were membership applications being processed and that there would be new inductions early in the new year.

Pete Satuloff was called upon for the Treasurer's report and he stated that the club's finances were sufficient to handle our current needs but if we were to expand our service in the community then our fundraising would have to increase proportion-

ately.

President Carlos thanked Ken and Pete for their efforts and moved on to the matter of the meeting place for the club. After some discussion of food, service and locality, it was agreed that Joe DiFatta and Bob Rice would chair a committee to look into other options. This action was approved unanimously by the board.

Avenue of Service reports were then made by all directors present with numerous ideas being mentioned and discussion of them followed.

All members are currently being canvassed as to what direction they would like to see the club go in and how they would be willing to help. As soon as the results of this effort are tabulated, they will be collated and made available to all.

President Carlos adjourned the meeting at 1pm and thanked everyone for their attendance and input.

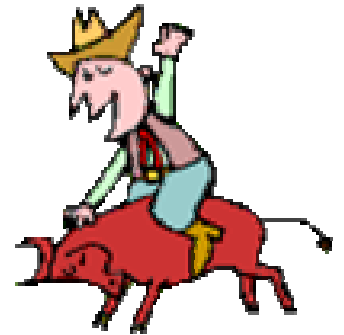


10th Annual "Cops and Cowboys" Auction

Presented by the Mid-Valley Community Police Council

Saturday July 10, 2004

Kids area



Rancho Del Norte

9051 Wilbur Avenue

Northridge, Ca.

Games and fun

Western or Casual Attire

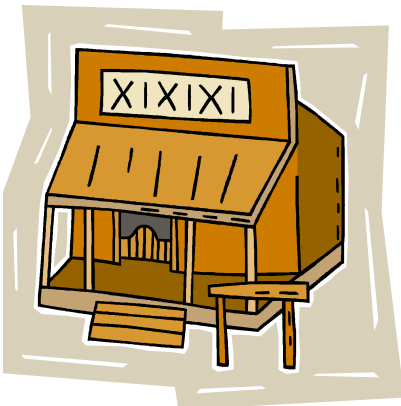
Prize for best western outfit

Celebrities*Live Band

Dinner*Dancing*Family Fun

***Live and Silent Auction"**

\$40 per person, \$10 kids 5-10



PRESIDENT JIM'S DEMOTION PARTY

Why would a man abandon his job as a decent, honest lawyer, to go and work for the biggest crook in town?

Why would a man ditch the woman he lives with, and loves, to marry a stranger?

He must have been possessed. But Paul Davis isn't possessed, he's dispossessed: waking up in hospital to discover that he's done these things, and he doesn't know why, doesn't remember anything of the last three months.

And that is the only explanation we can muster for Paul taking the lost cause case of defending the tenure of Van Nuys Rotary President Jim Tenner.



If everyone is smiling except President Jim it must be the Demotion Party! From left: Witnesses for the Prosecution Ed Viramontes and Jim Sullivan, Defendant (and Van Nuys Rotary President) Jim Tenner, and Defense Council Paul Davis.



Even Jim's 98 year old mother Rose seemed pleased to see him get what was coming to him.

Some felt it was a kangaroo court going in and the judge (Leo O'Biecunas) did nothing to dispel that belief. Once the verdict was established, he went about choosing a jury who would see things his way.

Involved in the setup of President Jim were his friends Carlos Rivera, who welcomed us all; Victoria Castillo, who offered the invocation and prayed for Jim's soul; Joe DiFatta, who was the Emcee and insured Jim's fate; Archie Kidwell, who introduced guests to the fiasco; Flip Smith and Paul Davis, who distracted Jim with awards; Barbara Baerg, who presided over presentations deserved or otherwise; Pete Satuloff and Irv Ryder, who stripped Jim of his president's pin and turned him out to pasture.

Others involved included Steve Donovan who pro-

vided the evenings music; Jack Lane who did the caricature drawing; Mike Quiroga who did the caricature framing and gave every club member an opportunity to leave Jim with a few parting words; Paul Davis and Cherie Spamer who handled decorations for this somber affair; and Big Phish productions (Hamilton O'Biecunas and Devin Makus) who filmed the whole thing for posterity's sake.



State Senator Richard Alarcon stopped by to distract President Jim with an award while the Kangaroo Court was being prepared.



CLUB MEMBERS DAYTIME NUMBERS

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Ken Benson	818-715-1815	Don Reinken	818-363-8355
Victoria Castillo	818-416-0223	Bob Rice	661-252-4518
Joe Chu	818-894-9301	Carlos Rivera	626-443-2310
Jamie Cordaro	818-787-2737	Lauren Ross	818-972-1532
Ruben Corona	818-989-3800	Irv Ryder	818-349-0959
Gary Cunial	818-654-0396	Pete Satuloff	818-710-0622
Paul Davis	818-888-0880	Dan Schlick	818-894-6031
Joe DiFatta	818-700-1939	Flip Smith	818-786-8686
Diane Eaton	818-760-0897	Cherie Spamer	818-787-2113
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Frank Micale	818-783-7352	Larry Winnick	818-888-4318

BIRTHDAYS

7-9	Frank Micale	Birthday
	Betty Boop	Birthday
7-11	Cherie Spamer	Birthday
	Jerry Falwell	Birthday
7-16	Leo O'Biecunas	Birthday
	Robert Ringling	Birthday
7-17	Mari Satuloff	Birthday
	Mae West	Birthday
7-20	Jim Vanyck	Birthday
	Benjamin Harrison	Birthday
7-21	Gian Carla Tejada	Birthday
	Robin Williams	Birthday
8-3	Mike Quiroga	Birthday
	Julia Child	Birthday

HOT DATES

- 7-7 President Carlos takes over
- 7-10 Cops and Cowboys
- 7-14 Club Assembly
- 7-21 Speakers of the Day: Steve Hall the piano man and Roger Owens the dodger stadium peanut man
- 7-28 Governor Kermit Floyd visits us
- 8-4 Leo and Robin O'Biecunas's wedding anniversary
- 8-6 thru 8 International Service trip to Mexico
- 9-24 thru 26th Sierra (Bishop) Safari
- June 18-22: 2005 Rotary International Annual Convention McCormick Place Chicago, Illinois, USA