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Meeting Highlights

Van Nuys Rotary — 81 years young (chartered in 1925) — and today the meeting was opened by our FIRST woman president! [I'm sure she won't be our last.] President Barbara gaveled the meeting to order promptly and was very well prepared to carry out the order of business. Well done!

PP Jim Tenner gave the invocation, thoughtfully taking note of the recent terror attacks in London and our new Rotary leadership. Very appropriate...and courtesy of *Joan Tenner*, as one might guess.

Charles Bloomquist, our new chair for youth service, made the Recognition presentations which you'll see more of on page 2. Guests and visiting Rotarians were introduced...and a 'fine' time was had by Jim Tenner, Larry Winnick and Fred Rabban.

Following announcements, President Barbara invited the members to join groups at the various tables to share ideas and plans for International Service, Community Service, Vocational and Youth Service and Membership/Fund Raising. The room seemed to be filled with vitality, communication and enthusiasm. Reports are sure to come later.



President Barbara Baerg

Visitors

GUESTS:

- Joan Tenner, finally introduced by Jim Tenner
- Carol Michals, mother of honoree Tony, introduced by Charles Bloomquist

ROTARIANS:

- Jim Schoenrock, Asst. District Governor, North Hollywood

"You don't have to be superhuman to do what you believe in."

**-- Debbi Fields
Founder of "Mrs. Fields Cookies, Inc."**

Recognition....



Neil Menzies



Our Recognition Program, chaired this year by Charles Bloomquist, honored two clients from New Horizons. The introductions were made by Supported Employment Coach Neil Menzies...giving the astonishing backgrounds of honorees Brad Rice and Tony Michals. Each received a Commendation certificate and \$50 US Savings Bond.



From left, President Barbara Baerg, Charles Bloomquist, Brad Rice, Tony Michals and Neil Menzies.

Announcements

- Pete Satuloff and Barbara Mack reminded the group of "Cops 'n Cowboys." See Hot Dates, page 4.
- Jim Tenner and Fred Rabban alerted us regarding the upcoming fund-raiser for Front Line Services, a group helping to feed the homeless. More details to come.
- Ruben Corona announced a Volunteer Center event at Universal Studios on 7/22/2005.
- Tarzana Rotary needs raffle prizes to aid their fund raiser for Alzheimer's Disease. Can you help? Talk to President Barbara Baerg.
- Victoria Castillo announced the successful start of our tennis project for kids under the guidance of Leo O'Bieunas. Continuing for eight weeks, the sessions are held at Lennox Ave. and Vanowen on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Also, a District 5260 membership orientation to be held 10/8/2005.
- Webmaster Don Reinken invited members to check out your newly updated Club website: www.vannuysrotary.org.

Highlights Continued....

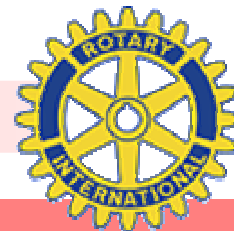
John Alexander, a Past District Governor, received an engraved crystal award for his service as photographer for the *Rotarygram*. John, in addition, is on hand at most Club events to record our activities and community services. Making the award is Don Reinken, Editor for 2004-05.



PDG John Alexander and Don Reinken



Community/Youth Service Project — Leo O'Biecunas works with kids as the Tennis Project is inaugurated. After long planning, the project will continue for eight weeks — Tuesday and Thursday evenings — at Lennox Avenue and Vanowen. Thanks, Leo!



"Service Above Self"

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Upcoming Programs

- July 20 **Officer Darrel Davis**, LAPD Lead Officer for the area including Lennox Ave. where our 'Avenue of Service' project is located. Joining him will be Rev. Shelly of Church on the Way, Nancy Hernandez from Councilman Cardenas's office and an apartment manager on the street.
- July 27 Report on the **RI International Convention** by the "Chicago 9."
- August 3 **Justin Houchin** speaking on his goal to be the "First Teenager in Space." Justin is sponsored by the "Traveling Space Museum" and has many accomplishments for a 17-year-old.
- August 10 **Les Grossman**, our District Governor, will visit and discuss our Rotary District and Van Nuys Rotary.

BIRTHDAYS

- July 16 Leo O'Biecnas
- July 17 Mari Satuloff
- July 20 Jim Vanyck
- July 24 Harley Malloy
- August 3 Mike Quiroga

HOT DATES

- July 16th 11th Annual **Cops 'n Cowboys** Dinner and Auction, July 16, 2005, 5:30 p.m. benefiting the Mid-Valley Police Council.
- August 13 District Leadership Meeting and Membership Seminar, 8 a.m. at Sam's Café, 15725 Parthenia St., North Hills.
- August 20 Inter-District 5260-5280 Picnic, El Segundo Recreation Park, 12 noon, 401 Sheldon St., El Segundo.
- Sept. 16-18th **Sierra Safari** in Bishop! Try it, you'll like it!

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