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Meeting Highlights....



Left: Dushyant Bala speaking to Membership!

Right: Ernie Acosta holding poster describing benefits for assisting as a Poll Worker.

Thank you's to Dushyant and Ernie!



Today's Program—Dushyant Bala, Outreach Coordinator, "Pollworker Outreach – Election Services Bureau:" Today, Dushyant Bala from the Student Poll Worker Program with the Department of Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in Norwalk, described to us how to be a Poll Worker. Last year was a record turnout at 80% of the voters. Thus, there is great need to work on Election Day at the polls. Poll Workers are needed for the upcoming elections on November 8, 2005 Uniform District and Statewide Special Election. Service Clubs are being solicited as the \$80.00 per day received as a Poll Worker may be donated back to the Clubs. There is a 1 ½ hour training to attend and a person must be over 18 years old or a high school senior with at least a 2.5 GPA. There are over 2,500 precincts. Hours are 7am to 8pm. Training may be held directly with the Service Club Members if there are 15 to 20 people attending. Clubs benefit by ability to raise money, visibility, and more.

Thank you everyone for a fantastic Program today, Barbara Mack for notes & John Alexander for taking photos!

Visitors....

GUESTS:

- Lynne Harris, introduced by Tom Harris
- Charles Martin, introduced by Pete Satuloff

**"Without charm there can be no fine literature,
as there can be no perfect flower without fragrance."**

- The Symbolist Movement in Literature. Stephane Mallarme. Arthur Symons, 1865-1945.

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Announcements/Highlights Continued....

Updates/Comments:

- PDG John Alexander updated everyone about Sierra Safari in Bishop. John reminded everyone that the dates are September 16th, 17th & 18th. This will be a great time for all. For applications, see John. John described a variety of events to do whilst there and will provide a list of hotels available. We encourage everyone to attend!
- Everyone was reminded regarding: September 17th — the Children's' Finger Printing Booth is at the Latino Business Expo in the Panorama City Mall by Carlos and Jim. Past President Jim Tenner will be providing the Finger Printing Equipment. If the equipment is not working, participants will be called. Balloons will also be available. This is a very popular event, and we will need as much participation as possible. Let's make this event the best!
- Everyone is reminded to pick-up their Rotary ID card.
- PP Flip Smith announced a \$50 per person dinner October 20th at the YMCA for cause regarding troop adventures. Additionally, Flip spoke about the kids decorating and the US Air tickets for auction.
- PP Pete Satuloff reminded everyone that on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:45 am, the Mid Valley Police Council holds a meeting at the Valley Presbyterian Hospital. Everyone is invited. Also, on October 6th, 11:45am, there will be a Citizens recognition luncheon at the Airtel Plaza Hotel. Master of Ceremonies is Chris Schauble from NBC morning news. The keynote speaker is Jim Mc Connell, 1st Assistant Chief, LAPD.
- President Barbara told us about getting a phone call from the mother of one of the Terra Del Sol recipients of the Van Nuys Rotary's Citizen's Recognition Program. Her son, Videll received the Certificate of Appreciation and the \$50 U.S. Savings Bond, was so happy and the entire family shared in the joy.
- PP Carlos Rivera is selling the Rotary cookbooks for \$10.00. There are lots of good recipes from our fellow Rotarians. John Alexander has several recipes in the cookbook for folks to enjoy. These cookbooks make great gifts and earn money for the club.
- Entertainment books are available from Paul Davis and Barbara Mack. They are \$25.00 a piece, except for Orange County, which is \$35.00.
- President Barbara mentioned that the District 5260 Christmas party this year will be a little different from prior years. We are planning on inviting underprivileged children, feeding them and giving presents to them.
- Fines for today's meeting per Flip and Paul: Mike Quiroga for his telephone ringing – seems Mike didn't even realize it was his phone, Ed Viramontes for trip to Oregon – river rafting, golfing, etc., and Jim Tenner for trip to Hawaii – however, Flip will forgive a portion of the fine if Jim gets the fingerprinting machine fixed by Saturday.
- **The following people have been proposed for membership in the Rotary Club of Van Nuys. Charles Martin, classification of Funeral Services, and Anthony Moricelli, classification of Physical Fitness. If anyone objects to their membership, they have ten days from the date of publication of this Rotarygram to express their objections in writing to the Club Secretary.**

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Recognition...



Above: Dushyant Bala with Cherie Spamer signing Children's Book for Cohasset Street School.

District 5260 Update

Group Study Exchange – We are actively looking for applicants and a team leader for the Group Study Exchange to Argentina next year.

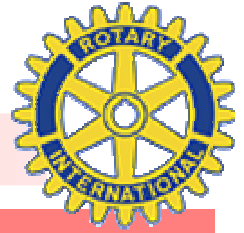
RYLA will be inviting high school students to a camp for leadership training on March 3, 4 & 5, 2005. Facilitators and students needed.

We were advised that while it is great to donate money to the Red Cross and Salvation Army regarding Hurricane Katrina, it costs the Red Cross \$6 per meal and the Salvation Army \$3 per meal.

There is a new Rotarian Action Group called "Rotary in Action for Children at Risk."

PDG Dave Woods presented a \$41.17 wheelchair designed by an MIT engineer. This has already been incorporated as a program for VN Rotary.

There will be a District 5260 Foundation Dinner November 4, 2005.



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Upcoming Programs

At the September 21st Lunch Meeting, Past District Governor Dave Woods will be speaking to us regarding "Affordable Wheelchairs and Rotoplast." – There are affordable wheel chairs available at the unbelievably low cost of \$41.17 including shipping! This is going to be a fabulous program and I know our meeting will be well attended. Bring a friend!

BIRTHDAYS

- Sep. 6 Ken Worthen
- Sep. 17 Barbara Baerg
- Sep. 19 Barry Leonard
- Sep. 22 Ken Benson
- Sep. 26 Gary Cunial
- Sep. 24 Flip Smith
- Sep. 24 Archie Kidwell
- Sep. 24 Pete Satuloff
- Sep. 25 Jim Tenner

HOT DATES

- Oct. 6th **Citizen Recognition Luncheon** at the Airtel Plaza Hotel
- Oct. 20-YMCA Fundraiser-**Island Adventure**
- Nov 4 Distrist 5260 Foundation Event
- Dec. 10, **District 5260 Christmas Party** for underprivileged children at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church.

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