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### **TODAY: John Noguez**

John Noguez is the Los Angeles County Deputy Assessor and Mayor of Huntington Park.

John began his career with the Assessor's Department 25 years ago as a student worker and rose rapidly through the ranks to become an Appraiser Specialist focusing on major business properties. He has supervised assessments involving historic structures such as the Bradbury Building and the Los Angeles Theatre.

In these difficult economic times, it will be interesting to hear how the Assessor's office handles the numerous calls and requests for decrease in value assessments under Prop 8.

### **Next Week: The Trader**

Remember your history lesson about the Indians (now called Native Americans for those politically correct) and how they traded furs and beads etc. Well.... Here is one for the history books...

Our very own Charter Oak student, Steven Ortiz started with a cell phone and ended with a convertible Porsche! Bring a friend... this will be an interesting program.

### **Last Week: Mark Beck**

Last week, Mark Beck – State Farm Agent and cyclist, shared his adventure cycling across the United States to raise awareness for Multiple Sclerosis.

### **From the Boardroom:**

Our board meeting was very well organized and productive.

A recognition plaque has been ordered for the Covina Museum that we painted.

Clint Harwick will be working out a date this Fall for a “reading day” at the school... stay tuned.

GSE (Group Study Exchange) applications are due August 31 for team members. Team members may NOT be Rotarians. This year, we will be exchanging with Dubai, Bahrain, Egypt

Lisa Brabo and Shirley Harrison are applying for the Leffler Grant. This is a grant from a Rotarian in our district to be used for community purposes. We will request \$1,500 to purchase underwear and socks for children in the WINGS shelter

Craig Cerro is working on a District Simplified Matching Grant to help with our KINGS (Kids in Need of Growing Strong) program. We want to give grants to increase the quality of life for our youth by supporting extra curricular activities.

This Christmas season, we will have three events – our traditional lunch, an informal dinner, and the opportunity to attend Wassail Dinner Concert at Mt. SAC.

Our Website [www.covinarotary.com](http://www.covinarotary.com) is up and running thanks to Sue and Terry Wysocki.

We are working on dates to decorate the Rotary Rose Parade Float.

LA County Fair: We have the opportunity to man a Rotary booth during Covina Day, Friday October 1, 2010. We will sell tickets for a Corvette raffle @ \$20 each. Our club will make \$5 for each ticket sold on an average \$500/day.

### **Calendar:**

September 2, 2010 Club Assembly  
December 16, 2010 Christmas Luncheon  
December 18, 2010 Covina Cares Holiday  
April 30, 2011 Rotarians at Work day

### **Paraskevidekatriaphobics**

What the heck? Is this a real word? Yes it is... it is the fear of Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>! Actually it is “people afflicted with a morbid, irrational fear of Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>. Who would have thought that?



Name those Rotarians.... Where was this picture taken?  
Can you guess?