

# Mid-Valley Community Police Council Newsletter



September 2005

On September 6, 2005 we held our regular monthly meeting at Valley Presbyterian Hospital. Approximately 28 members and police officers were in attendance.

Paul Anderson introduced Mid-Valley Community Police Council's web site, [www.midvalleypolicecouncil.org](http://www.midvalleypolicecouncil.org). The Council acknowledged Mr. Don Reinken of Web Success Strategies for donating his time in designing this state of the art site. Pete Satuloff, President, presented Don with a beautiful plaque. It is believed that MVCPC has again paved the way by having the first web site in the City of Los Angeles for a non-police department community police support group to be included on the Department's official web site. Don thanks again.

Captain Jim Miller brought us up to date on current happenings in the Valley. Captain Miller informed us of a string of restaurant robberies occurring in the San Fernando Valley. The suspects enter middle to high end establishments between the hours of 7 p.m. and 2 a.m. and take the money. He gave some good advice of what to do if you were in the restaurant at the time of the robbery. First of all, try and remain calm, remember, cooperate, the bad guys just want the

money, don't be a hero. Secondly, try and be a good witness.

Take note of what the suspect (s) look like. A good physical description, clothing (remember, clothing can be easily removed or changed by the suspect (s). Don't forget things like missing teeth, fingers, or tattoo's (these things cannot be changed). The type of shoes is another good descriptor. As a retired police officer I would make one other recommendation, *do not allow the suspect to take you with him*, however, this is a choice you and only you can make.

We had two fine speakers at the meeting, Senior Lead Officer (SLO) Nate Banry and the return of one of our past presidents, Dr. Barry Leonard. Barry brought us up to date on the Van Nuys Jeopardy program. Jeopardy is an intervention program designed for boys and girls 8 to 18 years old that are at risk of "walking down the wrong path." It was started by the Los Angeles Police Department's Foothill Area in 1990 and was designed to be a gang prevention and intervention program. Jeopardy combines the strength of the community, neighborhood schools and the Department to effect positive, lifelong attitudinal changes in young people so as to have a positive impact on the community while diverting youth away from gang activity and crime. Jeopardy only funding comes from contributions by the private sector.

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In an effort to raise money, Jeopardy will be hosting a 'Tip A Cop' day, on September 20, 2005, at Lulu's Restaurant, at 16900 Roscoe Blvd, Van Nuys (Just East of Balboa Blvd). Police officers, detectives and Command Staff volunteers from Van Nuys Community Police Station will be assisting you with your food orders and all tips will be donated to Jeopardy. This is a great opportunity for all of us to show our support of our young people. Please see the attached flyer. Thanks Barry for the information and don't be a stranger.

At our August meeting the Council members approved funding a \$300.00 state of the art crime fighting computer program. Senior Lead Office Nate Banry gave us a preview of a new crime fight tool. This is a program designed to give the ability for any police officer in the city to have access to similar crime issues throughout the city. For instance, let's say the SLO Banry has been working on a vender problem in Van Nuys and through his research he found an effective way to reduce venders. SLO Banry would enter his progress and eventual solution on the web site available to all Los Angeles Police Officers. Now let's say an officer in Harbor Area is having a similar vending problem, but can not seem to find a solution. The officer merely enters his type of problem in the web site search and it will bring up SLO Banry's comments and solutions. This will save thousands of officer hours in research. Sounds like a really great program, thanks SLO Banry.

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**Reminder:** The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Citizen's Recognition Luncheon is coming up on October 6, 2005. At this event we honor regular citizens that have gone beyond the norm to either prevent, assist in preventing, or solving a crime. Many of our City dignitaries will attend this event. The way the Council makes money at this event is by selling ads in our very nice program book. I have included an ad price list (**Download Attachment**) for your review. If you or any business/company you think might be interested in purchasing an ad, please contact them and ask them to help. Please don't procrastinate, as our due date for the ads is September 20, 2005. And of course, we need you to attend the event. Individual tickets are \$45, and if you purchase a table of 10, it's only \$400. Tickets may be purchases online at [www.midvalleychamber.com/calendar.asp](http://www.midvalleychamber.com/calendar.asp) or simply complete and cut out the Registration Form located on the attachment.

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**FINAL DEADLINE FOR COPY IS September 20, 2005.**

All contributions support the programs of the Van Nuys Community Police Station.

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**Jason Kent**  
 (818) 778-0591

**Yes! Place my ad in the Citizen Recognition Luncheon Program Book**

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for my ad and \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$45 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Discount: Persons wishing to purchase a table of ten will have the opportunity to purchase the table for \$400, including parking.**

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