

PUBLIC WORKS

Sanitation's



Frank Herrera, RCTO, 7 years of City service, lets David Orpelli, 4, behind the wheel of a roll-off truck.



From left: Ron Cole, North Hollywood Superintendent, 20 years of City service; and Alex Helou, Assistant Director, Public Works/Sanitation.



North Central Recycling Crew, from left: Carlos Chaffino, RCTO, 23 years of City service, Club Member; Robert Morales, RCTO, 1.5 years, Club Member; Jesse Valdez, RCTO, 8 years; Art Sanchez, RCTO Supervisor, 23 years, Club Member.



At far right is Octavio Chapa, RCTO, 31 years of City service, as he helps the sign-in process for accurate attendance.



From left: Quintin Ellis, RCTO, 19 years of City service, Club Member; Pepe Garcia, Superintendent, North Central, 22 years; Alex Helou, Assistant Director, Bureau of Sanitation, 17 years; Jose Rosas, RCTO, 8 years, Club Member; Robert Sosa, Supervisor, 19 years; and Warren Brown, Maintenance Laborer, 6 years.



From left: Ken Dos, CDO, 10 years of City service; Raymond Keeling, guest; and Michael Lewis, RCTO, 19 years, Club Member.



From left: Albert Harvey, Equipment Mechanic, 2 years of City service; and Jose Flores, Equipment Mechanic, 4 months.



From left: Dan Lucero, Ambassador of Recycling Program; and Desmond Gardner, Maintenance Laborer with Container Services.



Sr. Clerk Typist Toni Chagolla, Club Member, at one of the many fun booths for kids to test their hand at their recycling skills. This booth tested which items belong to which container.



Kim Huynh, MA II, 20 years of City service.



From left: Cathie Chavez, Environmental Specialist; and Linda Granados, MA II.



From left: Jose Rosas, RCTO, 8 years of City service, Club Member; and Quintin Ellis, RCTO, 19 years, Club Member.

North Central Yard

North Central Sanitation Yard held its Open House May 30.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Member

More than 750 visitors attended the annual Sanitation Open House May 30 at the North Central Yard in San Fernando.

The visitors enjoyed the free food, tours and raffles, and the tree and mulch giveaways.

This yard is the last to convert completely to liquefied natural gas trucks, according to tour guide and RCTO Jose Rosas, Club Member. He said that the yard still keeps a few diesel trucks on hand for picking up trash at certain locations.

Special thanks to Sal Miranda and Adriana Nunez for their assistance.



From left: Pedro Valencia, Equipment Mechanic, 4 months of City service; and Ed Lee, Equipment Mechanic, 10 years.



From left: Lloyd Gaines, West LA Yard Superintendent; and Alex Helou, Assistant Director, Public Works/Sanitation.



Eduardo Reyes, RCTO II, 1 year.



RCTO Raymond Lucas, Club Member.



From left: Miguel De Anda, Garage Attendant, 6 years of City service, Club Member; Jaccque Lorraine, Sr. Automotive Supervisor, 28 years, Club Member; Ron Mendez, ECH, DWP, 39 years, Club Member; Jung Ho, General Automotive Supervisor, 22 years, Club Member; Tim Capece, Automotive Supervisor, 19 years; and Richard Humanic, Automotive Supervisor, 13 years.



From left: Michael Adame, RCTO, 20 years of City service, Club Member, with his son, Jonathan.



From left: Pat Chebac Reza, Director/Founder, Fuego Tech, and Monica Rosales provided the free tree giveaways.



From left: James Galante, Equipment Mechanic, 5 months of City service; and Ruben Guzman, Equipment Mechanic, 9 months.



Tina and Martin Hernandez, Equipment Mechanic, 8 years of City service, Club Member, and their daughter, Monique.



From left: Kenneth Fox, RCTO, 22 years of City service, Club Member, with his son, Jarod, 11.



From left: David Barragan Sr., RCTO, 7 years of City service, with his family (from left): son, David Jr.; daughter, Danielle; daughter, Quetzalli, 4; and son, Joaquin, 2.



Armando Gatewood, Waste Water Worker II, 23.5 years of City service, next to the Vactor 2100.



Jose A. Castillo, RCTO, 28 years of City service, Club Member, demonstrates the two-man truck, used for narrow streets.



From left: Octavio Chapa, RCTO, 31 years of City service; Jane Parathara, Environmental Engineering Asst., 23 years.



From left: Mario Macias, RCTO, 5 years of City service, Club Member, and his wife, Lessly; Lupe Lowe, sister of Mario Macias; Bethany, niece; Irma, sister; Ray, son of Mario Macias; Marlene, daughter of Mario Macias; Brigitte, friend; and Mauro, brother of Mario Macias.

Open Houses



Carlos Rodriguez, who normally fuels the trucks with liquefied natural gas, takes his kids on a ride around the yard.



One of the many vehicles displayed at the open house.



Michael Rolls, RCTO with Felix Alonso, RCTO, behind the grill, keeping the hot dogs and hamburgers coming.



Mr. Recycle makes his appearance to the open house.



Leo Guerra Sr., RCTO, Club Member, with his sons, Leo Jr., and Jeremy.

West Valley Yard

West Valley hosts open house May 16.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor

More than 800 visitors stopped by the annual West Valley Sanitation Yard Open House in Northridge May 16.

Despite the hot weather, approximately 200 trees and between 500 and 600 bags of mulch were given away as part of the City's Million Tree Giveaway promotion.

There were tours, food and raffles. Radio Disney kept the kids entertained.

Special thanks to Sal Miranda and Adriana Nunez for their assistance.



William J. Reese, West Valley Superintendent, Club Member, and Adriana Nunez, Sr. Clerk Typist, Club Member.



Anthony Hatten, Club Member, is DJ Sweat for the day when he is not an RCTO at North Central.



Solid Resources, from left: Dan Seto, Sr. Systems Analyst; Linda Granados, MA II; and Richard Myles, Division Manager.



From left: Nancy Carr, Clerk Typist; and Maria Kostrencich, Legislative Analyst, Club Member.



Tina Navarro, Secretary; and Dominic Charles, Engineering Tech.



Radio Disney kept the children entertained.



From left: Jon Rondel, RCTO, and Bill Forbes, Equipment Mechanic, Club Member, with an LNG truck on a lift for repair.



Windred White, RCTO.



Karen Coca, Environmental Affairs Officer.



Juan Tabares, RCTO.



From left: Ramiro Ramos, Equipment Mechanic, and Dave Woods, Equipment Mechanic, next to a Refuse Collection Truck.



Employees cook for the community.



Martin Ruiz, Environmental Engineer, 10 years of City service.

South LA

South LA yard welcomes more than 750 guests.

Photos by Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations

More than 750 people visited the South L.A. Sanitation Yard Open House June 6. There were tours, food, raffles and tree and mulch giveaways.

Thanks to Sal Miranda and Adriana Nunez for helping produce this article.



From left: Criselda Dollano, Clerk Typist, 2.5 years of City service; and Marcel Zuniga, Clerk Typist, 19 years.



Vincent La, Programming Analyst, 4 years of City service, demonstrates the Sanitation Website.



Desmond Gardner, Maintenance Laborer, 9 years of City service.



Nancy Carr, Tour Guide, 6 years of City service.