ACMS GREAT GUARD GIVE-AWAY

This issue of CROSSTALK brings deserving ACMS Crossing Guards their first chance to win fabulous prizes in our upcoming random drawing. Complete the FREE "Official Entry" form included here and send it to the main office for your chance to win. More "Official Entry" forms can be EARNED by employees throughout the coming year. Ask your Area Supervisor how to earn more chances to win one of these terrific prizes:

GRAND PRIZE

TWO ROUND-TRIP AIRLINE TICKETS

to any destination served by SOUTHWEST AIRLINES!

FIRST PRIZE

THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS cold hard cash!



OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

~ PLEASE PRINT ~

EMPLOYEE'S NAME:		
PHONE NUMBER :		
SUPERVISOR'S NAME:		

CONTEST RULES:

Winner must be current employee of ACMS at time of drawing. All entries must be on an original "Official Entry" form. No copies of entry form are allowed. Ask your Area Supervisor how you can earn more "Official Entry" forms to win prizes in the "GREAT GUARD" GIVE-AWAY!

SUBMIT COMPLETED ENTRY FORM TO MAIN OFFICE: • 1749 South La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90035-4601

News and Safety information from "The Crossing Guard Company"

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News and Safety information from "The Crossing Guard Company"

Los Gatos Invests in Safety Signals

Pedestrians benefit from NO TURN signs.

Nestled against the Santa Cruz Mountains south of San Francisco, the Town of Los Gatos is taking a leadership role in pedestrian safety. By teaming expertise and funding with neighboring communities, the town has installed two internally illuminated NO RIGHT TURN ON RED signals at intersections near schools.

First installed at the intersection of Los Gatos Blvd. and Nino Avenue, the signs are activated by pedestrians as they wait for the crossing signal at this busy intersection. When eastbound motorists approach the intersection on a red light phase, they clearly see the brightly illuminated "NO RIGHT TURN ON RED" warning. The inability to turn right on red helps provide added protection for pedestrians as they cross Los Gatos

Blvd. The warning light blanks out and is not visible if motorists approach the intersection on a green light.

The Town of Los Gatos has also assigned an All City Management Services Crossing Guard at this location. Lydia Ozuna has been dedicated to pedestrian safety at this location for over three years and assists the students of Van Meter Elementary School and Fisher Middle School.

When the time came to redesign of the intersection of Winchester Blvd. and Daves Avenue, town engineers were again looking for a way to provide for maximum pedestrian safety. Town Engineer Kevin Rohani reports that the proximity of Daves Avenue Elementary school was an important consideration in the project. "It was difficult to cross Winchester Blvd. without the aid of a signal light," Kevin reports. With the newly installed traffic signals the well-regarded "NO RIGHT"

TURN ON RED" blank-out light was again installed. Crossing Guard Barbara Faulk has the responsibility for student safety at this intersection and feels that the sign really helps. "There are still those occasional drivers who ignore the sign" Barbara says, "but without it the dangers would be much worse."

All City Management Services joins

the citizens of Los Gatos in appreciating the efforts of town leaders in providing for the safety of pedestrians. Funding for this and other pedestrian safety



projects was supplemented by the Caltrans Safe Routes to School grant program. Additional information can be obtained at the Caltrans website or by contacting Kevin Rohani, Town Engineer, Town of Los Gatos (408) 399-5773.

Fourth Annual ACMS Employee Picnic -Saturday, September 24th MORE DETAILS ON PAGE THREE

p Crossing Guards Chosen

In one of several programs designed for employee recognition, All City Management Services is proud to announce the recipients of the 2005-2006 Crossing Guard of the Year Award in communities throughout the state. The program is designed to reward individual excellence as well as bring attention to the important work done by all Crossing Guards in the communities we serve.

In addition to recognition from ACMS, most cities or school districts also choose to acknowledge their recipient. These accolades, combined with the loyal appreciation of the children and school community they serve, make this award a true honor.

We salute the 2005-2006 Crossing Guards of the Year!

MARTRUDE SIMPSON Antioch

CAROL RODRIGUEZ Arcadia

ARLETTA ADSIT Bellflower

BEATRICE SCOTT-DAVIS Beverly Hills

> **MARY DOAN** Brea

CAROLE NOLAN Brentwood

FELIX JIMENEZ Burlingame

MICHELE RILEY Chino

ANALY CONDE Colton

DOROTHY STEAD Colton Joint Unified S D

> ALICIA ROSS Compton

ROY DESKIN,

JOSEPH FRAGAPANE Concord

CYNTHIA TORRES Corona

> PHIL GOLD Costa Mesa

RALPH BROWN Covina

FREDY VILLEGAS Cupertino

MARGARITA VELA Downey

ANN MIDDLETON Duhlin

SARA ALVAREZ El Monte

MARY DOHERTY Fontana

LEONA SHAFFER Fountain Valley

JEANNIE WHITFORD Fremont

> CINDY STILL Fullerton

ROLANDO GONZALEZ Glendale

> **DENISA INGRAM** Hermosa Beach

AMBABEN PATEL La Palma

ARTHUR KENDRICK Lake Forest

DARLENE STEWART Lawndale

> SUSAN KOCH Los Alamitos

VADIM NOVIKOV Los Gatos

> SUSAN BORK Martinez Unified S.D.

BRENDA BENSON-**ESTRELLA** Millbrae

> DONNA FLICK Mission Viejo

WILLIE GRIGSBY Montclair

> SCOTT PACE Newark

JERRY BREWER Oak Park

J.B. HUNTER Ontario

RACHAEL KIM **Unincorporated Orange County**

DONNA MCGUIRE

Palos Verdes Penninsula Unified S.D.

MARIA MAGALLANES Paramount

> MARY RAGLAND Pasadena

ROBERT ANDERSON Pittsburg

CINDY BONINCONTRI Pleasanton

MARY BLANCHARD Rancho Palos Verdes

TANYA HIEBERT Rancho Santa Margarita

Rosemary Waldher Redlands

REGINA MERSEREAU Redwood City

> FRANK KING Rollina Hills Estates

JOSEPH GUTIERREZ San Bruno

> MIKE DUNN San Clemente

ESTHER MEDINA South Gate SHIRLEY NICHOLSON

Tustin Rosa Vasouez

Vernon **JACK MORGAN**

Walnut Creek **ESTHER JONES**

Whittier

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



Husband and Wife Team Retire

They've been known as "Mr. and Mrs. R" to hundreds of students at Palisades Elementary School in Dana Point. And for years Jess and Ruth Ramirez have thought of every student they cross as "one of our kids".

With over 35 years of service between them, dozens of students have adopted Jess and Ruth as "honorary grandparents" over the years. "Two little girls from my first day on duty have now graduated from college and they still stay in touch with us" Ruth reports. Their decision to retire was accompanied by tears all around at the school sponsored reception in their honor at the end of the school year.

All City Management Services joins the City of Dana Point and the Palisades

community in thanking

Mr. and Mrs. R for their years of service and wishing them only the best in their retirement.

