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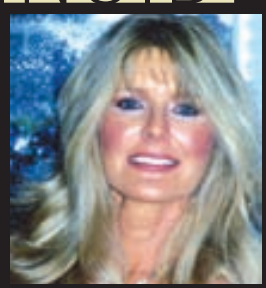
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### Quote:

"It is the spirit and not the form of law that keeps justice alive."  
Earl Warren

## First ever

BOCA ROTARY WINS FIRST 'SPECIAL RECOGNITION' AWARD IN 53-YR HISTORY



By Dale King  
CITY EDITOR

The Rotary Club of Boca Raton has done many community-minded things, and won many awards, in its 53-year history.

But the honors it garnered this week may be the best ever.

Rotary 6930 District Governor Betsy Owen attended Wednesday's meeting to present the Rotary International "Significant Achievement Award" to the local club in recognition of its exemplary efforts for the 2009 OPAL (Outstanding People And Leaders) Awards Gala that raised funds for scholarships for local students in need.

"I can't tell you how fantastic it was," said Owen as she handed a large, framed certificate to Rotary President Craig Richman. She noted that only three clubs in the district submitted applications. And only 122 of

the 33,000 Rotary clubs around the world walked away with the same affirmation.

Richman stood before the crowd of members and guests and held the document high. With him and Owen were Alan Kaye and Neil Saffer, co-chairs of the 2009 OPAL event and Jon Kaye, event producer.

The district governor said the achievement award recognizes a Rotary Club activity that addresses a community problem or need, to encourage new projects on the part of the club, and to promote increased awareness of the importance of exemplary club efforts.

Owen said that applications go before the Rotary Board of Directors for review. "They pick the best of the lot." And that turned out to be the Boca submission.

She said the club did "an incredible job" putting together an application that included so much material in connection with the OPAL Awards held earlier this year. "We may write them up for other clubs on ways to hold an effective event. It was a total package."

It went beyond just promotional material, she noted, and included "the whole project." It included the work of Ro-

tary members and non-members.

Boasting an active membership of 90, The Rotary Club of Boca Raton is made up of business and professional leaders united to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

This is the first time The Significant Achievement Award has been given to a club in District 6930, which stretches from Boca to Titusville. It is comprised of 51 clubs with some 1,850 members. ■

(Dale King/Staff Photo)  
Rotary International District Governor Betsy Owen presents the Significant Achievement Award to Rotary Club of Boca Raton President Craig Richman, with Jon Kaye in the background. With them are 2009 OPAL co-chairs Alan Kaye and Neil Saffer.

## Week In Review

See story details at:  
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**New Pines neighborhood** to benefit from stimulus money.  
**May 25**

**FAU professor** gets NIH grant for work on Huntington's disease.  
**May 25**

**PBC nutrition survey** says many elders don't have enough to eat.  
**May 26-27**

**Schools superintendent** gets A rating from School Board.  
**May 26-27**

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**Boca Raton man** charged with \$44 million currency fraud.  
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**Rotary Club of West Boca Raton** receives its charter.  
**May 28-29**

**Aronberg continues** push to maintain 'Alligator Alley' as public road.  
**May 28-29**

**FAU Trustees** approve three new Master of Science degrees.  
**May 28-29**

### NEWS ANALYSIS

## Loeb labeled "unprincipled opportunist" by Allen West

BOGDANOFF IN DISTRICT 25 RACE

By John Johnston  
MANAGING EDITOR

It's officially musical chairs in Palm Beach County politics.

As previously reported in the *Boca Raton News*, Nick Loeb (R-Delray Beach) has jumped from the House District 87 race into the Senate District 25 race — seeking to succeed Jeff Atwater who is in turn seeking the Chief Financial Officer's seat.

In that same previous report, House District 91 Rep. Ellen Bogdanoff (R-Fort Lauderdale) was noted as having also jumped in the Senate 25 race — but the Boca Raton News was

told by Loeb that Bogdanoff had refused to run again for her current House District 91 seat.

At press time, Bogdanoff laughed and said "I'm committed to the District 25 Senate race...who's spreading those rumors?"

When told it was Loeb who said it, she had no comment.

But Loeb has switched, and there's certainly been comment about that.

#### West's Words

"Dear Friends, "I wanted to bring you up to date on some exciting news about the campaign," begins Nick Loeb's recent announcement that he was withdrawing from the House District 87 race,

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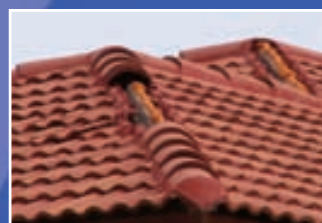


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