San Gabriel Valley Division 9 Maintenance Manager John McBryan and Lead Mechanic Rudy Gutierrez have become good friends during Gutierrez's 35-year tenure at MTA.



Division 9's Rudy Gutierrez Celebrates 35 Years With MTA

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(July 10, 2003) San Gabriel Valley Division 9 Lead Mechanic Rudy Gutierrez recently celebrated 35 years with MTA and is still going strong.

"I love my job and I'll keep doing it as long as I can," says Gutierrez. "That's the secret. If you enjoy your surroundings and the people around you, like I have, it makes it that much easier to come into work."

Division 9 staff and employees surprised Gutierrez, July 3, with cake and ice cream. In a ceremony, he was given a pin and a framed photo of him when he was first hired in 1968.

Gutierrez, 58, is third in seniority among mechanics at MTA.

Division 5's Arthur Winston, who has 69 years with the agency, is the most senior maintenance employee. Division 1 Mechanic Mack Evans has 36 years, one month of service, while Division 9 Mechanic David Bricker will reach his 36th year of service Sept. 1.

"David Bricker is a real good guy," Gutierrez says of his coworker. "He's good-natured and easy to get along with. Working together for 35 years has allowed us to become friends."

There's no stopping this devoted husband and father of three.

Gutierrez enjoys the simpler things in life, like camping, traveling and spending time with family. "I would love to do more of it before I get too old."

Maintenance Manager John McBryan is proud of Gutierrez's accomplishments. "He's a dedicated, honest and trustworthy employee. We are so blessed to have him here at Division 9."

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