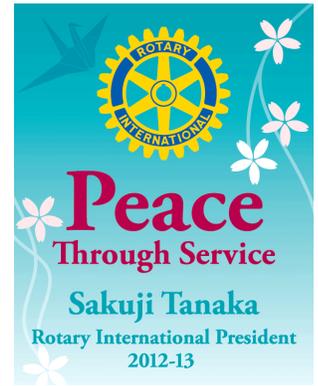


# Rotary Club of Greater Van Nuys

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**Service Above Self**

Meeting at 94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron  
Thursdays, 12:10 p.m.  
16320 Raymer St., Van Nuys, CA 91406



## February 28, 2013

**Flag Salute:** James Tenner

**Invocation:** Ken Worthen

**Attending Members:** Barbara Pampalone, Mauricio Aranda, Dave Martinyan, Don Fetherolf, Don Reinken, Elaine Bern, Jean Mabilon, James Tenner, Judy Coates, Ken Worthen, PDG Les Grossman, Marc Tapper, Marco Padilla, Pete Satuloff, Rich Miller, Robin Kellogg, Ron Wolf, Roz Kogler, Steve Bertolino, Zoraida Suarez, Tom Harris, Wayne Slappy, Wynne Ritch; Beth Ullman

**Guests and Visiting Rotarians:** Honorees Jackeline Giron and Danielle Ortega from Tierra Del Sol with their mothers, Lorena Giron and Lori Ortega, sister Nicole Ortega, and staff members Frena Harris; Kevin Luperchio

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Bingo

We had a good turnout yesterday at our bingo game, with 65 paid admissions, most from the community. Many thanks to Robin, Martha, Elaine, Marie, Frank, Zoraida, PDG Les, Rich, Renee and Barbara for your help and participation! Rich announced he already has tickets for our next bingo game, **Wednesday, April 3**. Tickets are just \$20 each and include several games. Contact Rich or Marco at 818-994-8234.

#### Leadership Awards 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades

Jan Goforth reminded us of the upcoming awards program sponsored by our club and the Van Nuys Airport. There are two ways to help – assist at the March 21 event, starting at 3:30 p.m., and “like” the Van Nuys Airport on FaceBook. They are in “competition” on FB with Orange County’s John Wayne Airport and have 1165 “likes” now, with a goal of 1300 more. Also, if you know any middle school students (6th-8th grade) who should be honored for leadership in academics, athletics, the arts and community service / leadership, please ask their teacher or counselor to nominate them for the Young Achievers Program. The top student in each category will be honored at the awards ceremony March 21, with their parents and school representatives. Call 818-442-6526 or talk with Jan for more information.

#### Track Meet

Don Reinken showed us the new logo for the T-shirts with Greater Van Nuys Rotary Club. They will be printed

### Calendar

- 3/6, Wed.** **Track Meet planning meeting**, 2:00 p.m., Michael D’s, 23130 Ventura Blvd., Wd. Hills  
**Fundraiser planning meeting**, 7:00 p.m., Les Grossman’s office, 18663 Ventura Blvd.
- 3/7** **Dave Friedman**
- 3/9, Sat.** **District Youth Art Awards**
- 3/14** **Paul Davis**
- 3/21** **Kevin Luperchio**, Tierra Del Sol
- 3/28** **Steve Bertolino**
- 4/3, Wed.** **Bingo**, 6:30 p.m. at Union Hall, 14800 Devonshire St. (SW corner at Woodman)
- 4/13, Sat.** **Van Nuys Track Meet**, Birmingham H.S.
- 5/2 – 5/5, Thurs. – Sun.** **District Conference**, Fess Parker’s Doubletree Resort, Santa Barbara

and ready in time for our 34<sup>th</sup> annual event, April 13. This event is very labor intensive because there are hundreds of students to get registered, organized and to their respective meets. Call Don at 818-368-3341 or email him at [dreinken@socal.rr.com](mailto:dreinken@socal.rr.com) to let him know what you can do to help, and join us at the next planning meeting, Wednesday, March 6, at 2:00 p.m. at Michael D’s, 23130 Ventura Blvd., Woodland Hills. Among the jobs to be filled are announcer, registrar and awards presenter.

To help spread the word about PolioPlus at the event, Don showed us a full spread in the Wall Street Journal that announced the \$100 million donation just made by Michael Bloomberg – the largest private donation ever (the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation made donations totaling \$433 million). That story and others, including the history and successes of PolioPlus, can be displayed along with contribution forms. To start it off right, Don pledged \$100 to PolioPlus and challenged each of us to match or add what we can.

#### Fundraiser

PDG Les invited us to a planning meeting at his office (18663 Ventura Blvd.) this coming Wednesday, March 6, at 5:30 to discuss the June 1 fundraiser. One of the topics to be covered is the menu.

#### Demotion Party

Rich is looking for your input – please let him know your thoughts on this year’s demotion party, and volunteer

to be on the committee if you can. The location has yet to be determined, including whether to hold it at someone's house, as two of our former entities used to, at least some years, or at a restaurant.

### The Salvation Army Recognition Dinner

Beth announced the annual Recognition Dinner held by the Canoga Park Adult Rehabilitation Center will be March 15, again at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church. This event honors our club volunteers, in addition to the staff and program alumni.

### Leadership

Last week Jim shared with us a photo of our young friend from "down under", Holly Ransom, President of the Rotary



Club of Crawley, Australia, meeting recently with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. Holly grew her Rotary club to be Australia's largest by tossing out a lot of the old practices and bringing in new ideas, an example Rich Miller says he wants to emulate when he becomes President in July.

### PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar); PR Chair

Rich was at PETS last weekend – for the 4<sup>th</sup> time – and came back rarin' to go. In his previous terms the club was small or medium, now, with our merger and lots of new members, we're a large club in the new district. Some things stayed the same – both Cliff Dokterman and Rick King still spoke to the P-Es, and he ordered CD's/DVDs of their talks. Other things are quite different, and we'll be hearing more of them soon, as Rich starts to set the stage and organize for next year.

One immediate need is a **new PR Chair**, as Raul resigned, saying he just can't make the meetings or give the club the time the position requires. If you can step in

for the rest of this year, please contact Rich (818-994-8234) or Jim (818-241-9435). This will become an increasingly important position as we expand our use of social media to attract more young people to Rotary.

Another item Rich would like us to pursue is a community-based Rotaract club, which is becoming more common. These and other projects will give us lots of opportunities to help our community, and the world.

### SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

Mauricio Aranda introduced our program, now 12 years old, to recognize people working to improve themselves who normally would not be in the public eye. Today we honored Jackeline Giron and Danielle Ortega from Tierra Del Sol. Kevin Luperchio told us his job is to help people at Tierra del Sol get jobs, through the Nexus program, and Jackeline is excelling at that. She is in a college program, did a 16 month internship and volunteers at Olive View Hospital.

Frena Harris presented Danielle Ortega, explaining that her job is to help Danielle get to the point Jackeline has already reached. Frena works at the Sunland campus and shared what Danielle does there. She started as a teacher's assistant but showed particular care with the linens, so she got a job at the La Cañada-Flintridge YMCA in charge of their towels, folding and stacking 1500 a week with military precision. Both honorees are making wonderful progress in both their jobs and communities.

Mauricio presented them each with a certificate of recognition and \$50 gift certificate to Target.



*L-R Mauricio Aranda, Frena Harris, Danielle Ortega, Jackeline Giron and Kevin Luperchio*

### New Member

PDG Les Grossman had the privilege of inducting our newest member, Dave Martinyan. Giving a bit of Rotary's history, Les also honored Mauricio, Dave's sponsor, Don and Rich, for bringing in new members. Dave has already helped us with projects, raising significant dollars with the e-waste collections, and Les invited him to get even more involved, and be able to remove his red new member ribbon with the introduction of someone else to Rotary. As Les noted, we are open to all, as our own membership so wonderfully shows: all backgrounds, religions, political positions and both men and women. Variety is our strength and greatest resource!

Dave shared with us some information about himself and his family business, which has been helping the community recycle waste for 20 years. He got especially

interested while an environmental major at Valley Community College and studying electronics. Some items, like batteries, are considered hazardous, so those have to be sent elsewhere (Jiffy Lube will take them at no charge, and the city has regular collections as well as a site in Sunland).

It was through his business that Mauricio made contact with Dave, having learned that he joined the local Chamber of Commerce just when Mauricio was looking for help with an e-waste project. The rest, as they say, is history.

Given the choice of schools, Dave went with USC, where both our last two inductees (Steve and Dave Friedman) chose UCLA. Has anyone been keeping count?



*Dave Martinyan is pinned by Mauricio Aranda*



*L-R PDG Les Grossman, Dave Martinyan, sponsor Mauricio Aranda and Co-President Jim Tenner*

**No Speaker** – Our scheduled speaker called in sick.

**REMINDERS:**

**Membership Subcommittee**

Marc's Membership Retention subcommittee has two openings and he's looking for volunteers to help call

absentees. If you'd like one of these coveted spots, send Marc an email to marctap@aol.com or give him a call at 818-425-6667.

**Happy Bucks**

Thank you to Barbara for her generous contribution for winning a pot at yesterday's bingo game.

**PolioPlus**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Priscilla Pig for PolioPlus this week.

**Opportunity Drawing**

Congratulations to PDG Les Grossman, who won half the \$80 pot.

**Notable Quotables**

"It is not so much our friends' help that helps us as the confident knowledge that they will help us." Epicurus, philosopher (c. 341-270 BCE)

"If you would not be forgotten as soon as you are dead, either write things worth reading or do things worth writing." Benjamin Franklin

**2012-2013 Club Officers:**

**Co-Presidents:**

Martha Stulman H 818-708-8947  
Jim Tenner H 818-241-9435

**Immediate Past Presidents:**

Barbara Pampalone H 818-882-2395  
Don Reinken H 818-368-3341  
Razi Sheikh C 818-621-4841

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**Director, Foundation:**

PDG Les Grossman H 818-757-0157

**Director, Public Relations** *Open*

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**Int'l Co-chair:** Zoraida Suarez

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**New Generations Co-chairs:**

Rosielee Jones W 818-782-0022

Mauricio Aranda W 818-634-4043

**Programs Chair:** Mauricio Aranda W 818-634-4043

**Vocational Chair:** *Open*

**Sgt. at Arms:** *Open*

## Meeting Information for Nearby Clubs

Calabasas, Tuesdays, 12:15 p.m.  
Wolf Creek Restaurant  
26787 Agoura Rd.  
Calabasas, CA 91302

Granada Hills, Thursdays at 12:10 p.m.  
Porter Valley Country Club  
19216 Singing Hills Dr.  
Northridge, CA 91326-1716  
Greater San Fernando Valley **E-Club**, Mondays at 12:00 p.m., Online 24/7, [www.rotaryclubgreatersfv.org](http://www.rotaryclubgreatersfv.org)

Northridge/Chatsworth, Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m.  
The Olive Garden  
19724 Nordhoff Pl.  
Chatsworth, CA 91311

Studio City-Sherman Oaks, Tuesdays at 12:10 p.m.  
Sportsmen's Lodge Hotel  
12825 Ventura Blvd., Vista Room  
Studio City, CA 91604

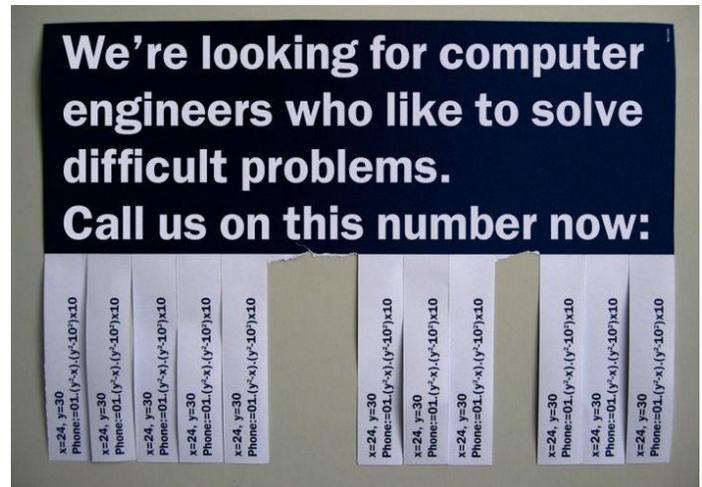
Tarzana Encino, Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.  
John O'Groats  
16120 Ventura Blvd.  
Encino, CA 91436

West San Fernando Valley, Thursdays at 7:15 a.m.  
**Coco's – now closed, new location not yet known**  
Woodland Hills, CA 91367

Woodland Hills, Wednesdays at noon  
Woodland Hills Country Club  
21150 Dumetz Rd.  
Woodland Hills, CA 91364

*Beth Ullman  
17426 Napa St.  
Northridge, CA 91325*

## Just for Fun



And you can see why that's a tough job to fill:

