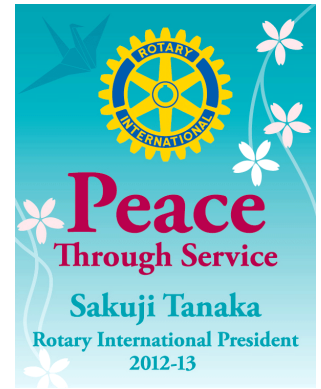


# Rotary Club of Greater Van Nuys

[www.greatervannuysrotary.org](http://www.greatervannuysrotary.org)

**Service Above Self**

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



## November 8, 2012

**Flag Salute:** Jim Tenner

**Invocation:** Ken Worthen, with a special prayer that our various political elements find ways to compromise

**4 Way Test:** Mauricio Aranda, adding that government would run much better if all our politicians would learn and follow it

**Song:** Stefni Valencia

**Attending Members:** Alice Gauna, Don Fetherolf, Don Reinken, Elaine Bern, PDG Eli Gauna, PDG Emilio Basile, Guy Mangia, James Tenner, Judy Coates, Ken Worthen, Marie Valencia, Marina Martinez, Mauricio Aranda, Mike Quiroga, Raul Castillo, Rich Miller, Robin Kellogg, Ron Wolf, Roz Kogler, Tom Harris, Wayne Slappy; Beth Ullman

**Guests:** Jan Goforth; Stefni Valencia, a PR specialist, extraordinary singer and Marie's daughter, and Edith Grijalva, Maria Flores and Nathallie Trejo, all from New Economics for Women, with Nathallie being our speaker

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Hurricane Sandy Relief through Rotary

Rotary is working hard to help those most affected by the recent devastation of Hurricane Sandy, which hit 13 east coast states with the worst storm ever recorded there. Contributions are being collected and distributed to the hardest-hit areas through the Walter D. head Foundation of Rotary District 7490, c/o Calisto Bertin DGN, Bertin Engineering, 66 Glen Ave., Glen Rock, NJ 07452. Please make checks or money orders out to the foundation and mail to that address. PayPal and credit card donations will soon be available on line where local updates are being posted: <http://nynjrotary.org/disaster-relief>. A warehouse shipping address will soon be on the website as well, to handle and distribute the items most urgently needed: clothing (especially warm outerwear), underwear (including socks), blankets, cots, bedding and linens (including pillows and towels), diapers, disposable eating items (paper plates, cups, plastic utensils, etc.), non-perishable food items (particularly chunky soups and canned proteins like tuna), batteries and all types of cleaning supplies.

#### Veterans' Day Parade

Stefni Valencia told us about the community parade taking place Sunday in honor of all veterans. Supported

### Calendar

- 11/15 **Joint Service Club Luncheon** *downstairs*
- 11/19, **Mon. (new date!) Board meeting**, 6:00 p.m. at 7100 Hayvenhurst, the building next to Rich's office
- 11/22 **Thanksgiving – enjoy!** (No meeting.)
- 11/29 **Clarissa Black**
- 12/6 **TBA**
- 12/8, **Sat. The Salvation Army – WalMart Toy Drive**
- 12/9, **Sun. Fireside Chat** for new and prospective members at the home of Andrea and Don Reinken, all members welcome
- 12/13 **TBA**

by more than 120 veterans' groups, churches, local high school bands and other organizations, the parade will start precisely at 11:11 a.m. on the corner of Laurel Canyon Blvd. and San Fernando Mission Blvd., and end at Ritchie Valens Park, Laurel Canyon Blvd. and Paxton St, where there will be a carnival. Stefni promised to give a "shout out" on the radio to any Rotary groups that show up. Come for the floats, bands, parade, flyovers and our wonderful veterans, and stay for the carnival.

#### The Salvation Army Thanksgiving Dinner

On November 20 the Salvation Army will hold a special early Thanksgiving dinner for the community, and Marina is looking for volunteers to help them prepare, serve and donate food for this project, which bring in 250 – 500 people. She passed around a sign-up sheet, but if you missed it, please give her a call at 818-781-5739. Volunteers to cook are needed starting in the morning, to serve or seat people the time is 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Salvation Army in Van Nuys, 14917 Victory Blvd., at Kester.

#### Major Honors Awarded

Don Reinken and Raul Castillo gave a first-hand report on last week's luncheon honoring Mike Quiroga as Philanthropist of the Year and our club as the top volunteer organization, given by the San Fernando Valley Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. We tried to get Raul to give his wonderful speeches again, but he demurred.

## Bingo

Rich announced that the bingo committee, in this week's meeting, voted to hold the games every 6 weeks rather than every quarter in hopes of building greater participation and a loyal group of attendees. We need ideas for promoting these events more effectively and to get more of our friends to share in the fun. Please contact Rich or attend a committee meeting if you have any suggestions! He can be reached at 818-994-8234, or by email to [rtm@richardtmillerlaw.com](mailto:rtm@richardtmillerlaw.com).

## Avionics Tour

Jan Goforth announced a tour tonight at Mid Continent Avionics courtesy of Friends of Van Nuys Airport, for anyone interested. She also told us Diana Sanchez is still busy with the shuttle activities at LAX. Soon we'll be able to see the results of all her hard work!

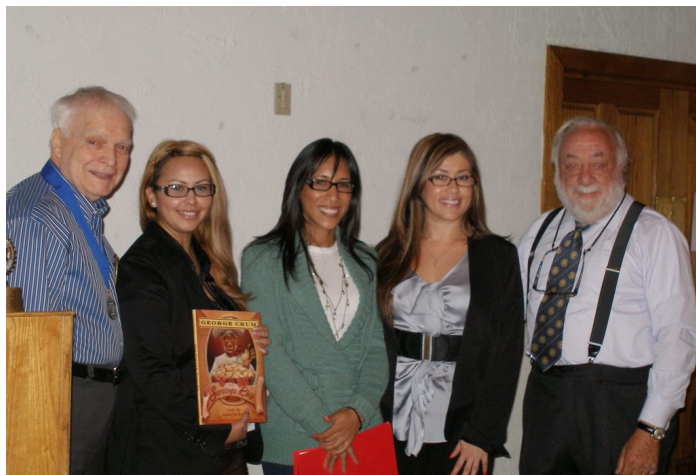
## **SPEAKER:** Nathallie Trejo, New Economics for Women

Mauricio introduced all of our guests from New Economics for Women (NEW), noting that next year we'll be working with them and Dr. Barry Leonard on an eye clinic for the community to be held in the NEW facility.

Nathallie gave us a good overview of the many ways NEW helps families in the Valley, from a Smart Consumer class, held in English November 17 and in Spanish for two days in December, to tutoring to parenting classes. They also teach anti-gang and drugs seminars to different age groups (including parents), and sex education for parents to discuss with their children, as well as one for teenagers.

Tutoring help focuses on K-5 grades. NEW provides computer labs and lots of help, but not just to kids. They hold 3-hour classes every Monday on computer basics. One of NEW's main objectives is to be a single-stop resource, offering legal services, workshops, tutoring, job direction and financial counseling, or referrals to those places and groups that have them, or whatever else families need. Especially anything that can help support kids and schools.

For more information, contact Nathallie, who is a Case Manager, at 818-786-4098 X302; Edith Grijalva, also a Case Manager; Maria Flores, Center Manager, at X309, or visit [www.neweconomicsforwomen.com](http://www.neweconomicsforwomen.com).



L-R: Don Reinken (with the AFP medallion), Nathallie Trejo, Edith Grijalva, Maria Flores and James Tenner

## REMINDERS

### Thanksgiving Baskets

Please help support the North Valley YMCA program providing 2000 Thanksgiving food baskets to needy families. Baskets will be assembled November 11 and 12, in shifts from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. and 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. They will be distributed November 13, 14 and 19 at the same times to several key locations around the Valley. For more information, contact Robin: [robin@yourwritingresource.com](mailto:robin@yourwritingresource.com); 818-993-5378, or Maithili Patil: [maithilipatil@yahoo.com](mailto:maithilipatil@yahoo.com); 818-489-4762.

### The Salvation Army Toy Drive

On December 8 The Salvation Army needs a few volunteers to help them collect new toys at our four local WalMart stores. Customers will be asked to add a toy to their purchases to be given to needy families, and The Salvation Army will be there to collect and sort those toys. Call Capt. Marina at 818-781-5739 to volunteer.

### Donation Collections

Please bring old **eyeglasses**, and unused **greeting cards**, especially holiday cards, to donate to different charities. (Thank you very much to those of you who already have!) Beth will be collecting them through December 13.

### PolioPlus

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

### Opportunity Drawing

Congrats to Judy Coates, who won half the \$60 pot.

### Member Profile Wayne Slappy

**Rotarian** originally joined Westchester Rotary Sept. 2006, and our club member since November 1, 2012

**Married to** Angel

**Children:** Wayne Jr., 2½ & Bruce, 16 mo.

**Job:** Financial Planner for current and retirement investment maximization in most tax-efficient manner

**Interests:** Actually *enjoys* public speaking, especially in finance; likes to golf, attend wine, beer and food tastings

## Notable Quotables

"Truth never damages a cause that is just." Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi (1869-1948)

"A decent provision for the poor is the true test of civilisation." Samuel Johnson, lexicographer (1709-1784)

"There is no absurdity so palpable but that it may be firmly planted in the human head if you only begin to inculcate it before the age of five, by constantly repeating it with an air of great solemnity." Arthur Schopenhauer, philosopher (1788-1860)

## Just for Fun



## 2012-2013 Club Officers:

### Co-Presidents:

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

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### Secretary: Robin Kellogg

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### Treasurer: Razi Sheikh

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Marie Valencia H 818-929-7118

### Int'l Co-chair:

Zoraida Suarez W 818-788-8838

### 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, <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

21844 Victory Blvd.

Woodland Hills, CA 91367

Woodland Hills, Wednesdays at noon

Woodland Hills Country Club

21150 Dumetz Rd.

Woodland Hills, CA 91364

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