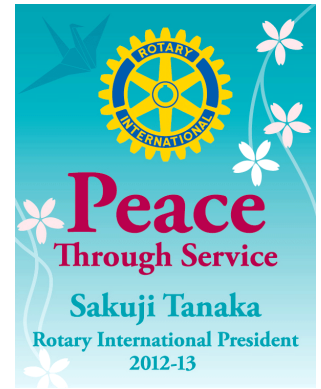


Rotary Club of Greater Van Nuys

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Service Above Self

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



October 25, 2012

Flag Salute: Jim Tenner
Invocation: Marina Martinez

Attending Members: Don Fetherolf, Elaine Bern, PDG Eli Gauna, Alice Gauna, PDG Emilio Basile, Tom Harris, Frank Santucci, Marina Martinez, Fernando Moreno, Barbara Pampalone, Judy Coates, Razi Sheikh, Renée D'Auria, Mike Quiroga, Pete Satuloff, Jim Tenner, Javier Nunez, Robin Kellogg, Mauricio Aranda, Beth Ullman

Guests: Lynne Harris, Wayne Slappy and Jan Goforth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Member Proposed

Wayne Slappy has been proposed for Active Membership in our club. His potential classification is Insurance, sub-category Life. If no objection is presented to the Board of Directors, membership will be extended to him 7 days after publication of this newsletter.

Thanksgiving Baskets

Robin passed around sign-up sheets for our support of the North Valley Y 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. and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. They will be distributed November 13, 14 and 19 to several key locations around the Valley. For more information, contact Robin at 8180993-5378 or robin@yourwritingresource.com or ask Maithili Patil: 818-489-4762 or maithilipatil@yahoo.com.

Harvest Festival October 31

Javier said everything is set for our Halloween event next Wednesday at Victory Outreach Church in Arleta. If you can help but haven't yet signed up, contact Javier, or just come! Francisco is donating all the corn and fixings, our dentists are donating their services, there will be a slide, bouncy castle, petting zoo and children's identity booth, all of which need help – there will be lots of activities to keep you busy! Come around 5:00 p.m. to help set up or a bit later to relieve at a booth. Wear a costume if you have one. As Javier said, this is a really fun event, with lots of smiling kids. He can be reached at 213-216-2795 (cell) or by email to jnunez@Local300.com.

Calendar

- 10/31, Wed. Harvest Festival**, 5:00, Victory Outreach Church in Arleta, 13580 Osborne St., half way between the I-5 Freeway and Nordhoff
- 11/1 DG Lew Bertrand, Governor's visit SFV Chapter Association of Fundraising Professionals Awards Luncheon** honoring Mike Quiroga and Rotary Club of GVN
Mid Valley Y Fundraiser, 6:00 p.m., 6901 Lennox Ave., Van Nuys, 818-989-3800
- 11/5, Mon. Bingo meeting**, 5:45 p.m., Rich's office
- 11/8 New Economics for Women**
- 11/13, Tues. Board meeting**, 6:00 p.m. in the building next to Rich's office
- 11/15 Joint Service Club Luncheon downstairs**
- 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, all members welcome
- 12/13 TBA**

Mid Valley Y Fundraiser

As if there weren't already enough excitement for next Thursday, in the evening the Mid Valley Y is holding a dinner, jazz and show fundraiser, and our club bought a table. Jim asked for 6 more people to join PDG Eli and Alice Gauna, and got them immediately. The event will be at 6:00 p.m. at the Y, 6901 Lennox Avenue, Van Nuys. If you would like more information or to buy a ticket (\$50 each), please call 818-989-3800.

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.

CLUB ASSEMBLY – NO SPEAKER

Jim outlined our 5 Avenues of Service for those new to Rotary, and highlighted a few objectives for the meeting, then had each table come up with ideas for projects and ways to make what or how we do things better. We discussed lots of possibilities in our small groups and summarized our points to everyone.

Some of the ideas put forth were to modify our regular meeting practices to be more “youth-friendly”, do projects that will attract young people, add a Twitter account for the club (making sure someone monitors it!) or implement a Vocational project aimed at young professionals. All good goals – as Jim said, we need to grow Rotary by binging in more young members.

Some of the other suggestions were: follow up on visitors in a more organized fashion, get club business cards for all to use, and make sure new members get a “job” right away and meet with their mentors frequently. A new project could be to honor one business person each month or year.

Club problems were addressed with comments that we need to improve member attendance and punctuality at meetings, speakers need to be vetted consistently (if no one in the group has heard someone, we probably ought not invite them to speak), and we need to better manage lunch payments for those not paying in advance. Razi also announced that people who have bounced checks will no longer be able to pay by check.

PDG Emilio will compile all the suggestions for the board to discuss and make recommendations. If you have any to add, please email them to emilio@embasile.com.

REMINDERS

November 1 will be our **official Governor’s visit** from District Governor Lew Bertrand. Please make every possible effort to attend!

Major Honors to be Awarded November 1 Mike Quiroga will be honored as Philanthropist of the Year and our club as the top organization by the San Fernando Valley Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals at a special luncheon on November 1 at Courtyard by Marriott in Sherman Oaks.

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.

Hope of the Valley Mission is in need of clean socks, underwear and suitcases for their homeless daily shower guests. If you can help provide some of these essentials, please contact Jonathan Leeper at 818-392-0020, or by email to jonathan.leeper@hopeofthevalley.org. Items can also be delivered to the First Presbyterian Church in Northridge, 10400 Zelzah Ave. (between Devonshire and Chatsworth). Their phone number is 818-360-1831.

Hear Ye, Hear Ye – New Club Logo Needed

We need a **new club logo**, both for our bulletin and our new flag. If you have a great idea of what that should

look like, please bring a sketch to a meeting or give it to a board member. There may even be a prize in it for you.

PolioPlus

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

Opportunity Drawing

Congrats to PDG Eli, who won half the \$65 pot and donated a chunk of that back to the club.

Notable Quotables

“The excesses of our youth are drafts upon our old age, payable with interest, about thirty years after date.”
Charles Caleb Colton, author and clergyman (1780-1832)

“An individual human existence should be like a river: small at first, narrowly contained within its banks, and rushing passionately past rocks and over waterfalls. Gradually the river grows wider, the banks recede, the waters flow more quietly, and in the end, without any visible break, they become merged in the sea, and painlessly lose their individual being.” Bertrand Russell, philosopher, mathematician, author, Nobel laureate (1872-1970)

Just for Fun



Happy Halloween!



REMEMBER TO PICK YOURS – VOTE NOV. 6!

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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