



Mid San Fernando Valley

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Service Above Self

Meeting at 94th Aero Squadron
Thursdays, 12:10 p.m.

16320 Raymer St., Van Nuys, CA 91406



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

May 17, 2012

Invocation: Marc Tapper
Flag Salute: Pete Satuloff
4 Way Test: PDG Eli Gauna

Attending Members: Frank Santucci, Rich Miller, Martha Stulman, Jean Mabilon, Renée D'Auria, Barbara Pampalone, Robin Kellogg, PDG Emilio Basile, Bub Pickup, Marc Tapper

Fellow Rotarians: Carey Bruff, a retired contractor and former member of the Simi Valley club now with the Rotary Club of Cedar City, Utah and his wife, Lisa; Tom Harris; Jim Tenner; Marina Martinez of the Salvation Army; Judy Coates; Pete Satuloff; Mauricio Aranda; Francisco Arrozon; Ron Wolfe; Diana Sanchez; Don Featheroff; PDG Eli Gauna; Alice Gauna; Mac Shamia; Ken Wurthen; Raul Castillo; Don Reiken; Guy Mangia, DDS; Razi Sheikh; Leo O'Bieunas; Patrick Fahey; Mike Quiroga; ADG Mel Powell; Tim Gray, Rotary club of Simi Valley Sunrise; Jewel Price, Glendale Sunrise; PDG Les Grossman

Guests: GSE Team Members: Omar Falcon Aburto, Team Leader, Attorney, MLI and Notary Public; Astrid Acosta Gomez, Communications; Williams Escamilla Tiburcio, Chemical and Process Engineer; Crysthal Garcia Celis, Marine Biologist; Jessica Ponce Salazar, Dental Surgeon. Also Doug Risdall (Robin's guest), and Gustavo Moreno (Mike's guest)

Announcements:

Bingo for a Cause

Join the Mid San Fernando Valley and North San Fernando Valley clubs for **Bingo** on June 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the Union Hall, 14800 Devonshire St. (at the corner of Woodman). Refreshments will be available for purchase. Cost is \$20 for 15 game cards. Additional game cards can be purchased for \$3 for 3 game cards. If you miss the festivities on June 6, we have another Bingo game planned for July 11.

Entrepreneurial Training

PDG Emilio gave an overview of the Train the Trainers entrepreneurial training six Rotarians from the Mid SFV club received from Ray Carlson, a member of the Altadena Rotary Club. Said Emilio, "We look forward to starting business plan seminars next semester."

Calendar

- 5/24 **Guy Mangia, Craft Talk**
- 5/26, Sat., **Van Nuys Rotary Car Show**, Valley College
- 6/2 Sat., **District 5280 Assembly**, Carson Community Center, 3 Civic Plaza Dr., Carson
- 6/3 Sun., 6:00 p.m., **Jazz Concert** with Kathy Siegel Garcia at The Salvation Army ARC, 21375 Roscoe Blvd., Canoga Park
- 6/6, Wed., **Bingo Event** at Union Hall
- 6/7 **Dr. Karen Kenney, Ph.D.**
- 6/8 & 9, Fri. & Sat., **District Conference** at the Beverly Garland Hotel, 4222 Vineland Ave., North Hollywood, \$20 + meals
- 6/14 **4-Way Test Essay Awards**, presentations to Sepulveda Middle School winners
- 7/8, Sun., **Demotion Party**, 4:30 p.m. at Beth's house
- 7/11, Wed., **Bingo Event** at Union Hall

Pancake Breakfast and Car Show

Mike reminded everyone about the Pancake breakfast and Car Show at Los Angeles Valley College on May 26. He added that if we knew anyone with an antique car or had one ourselves we should bring it to the show. For those who took Pancake Breakfast tickets to sell, they are due at the next meeting or you will be charged \$70.

District Conference

If you haven't signed up for the **District Conference**, June 8 and 9 yet, do it now. This will be the final time 5260 will get together as a District. The event, to be held at the Beverly Garland Hotel, 4222 Vineland Ave., North Hollywood, will begin Friday night with a dinner honoring all the PDGs and outgoing presidents. Paul Netzel, Past RI Director, will speak Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m. Conference cost is \$155, including all meals. An updated application is available online, or you can use the prior version. The last day to register by mail is 5/25/12.

Donald T. Sterling to Speak at LA5

Jim Tenner told us about an event being promoted by LA 5. The club took out a quarter page ad in the Los Angeles Times to advertise a luncheon it is sponsoring for **Los Angeles Clippers owner Donald T. Sterling** on June 8, in Carson. To find out more contact LA 5 at 213-624-8601.

Van Nuys Airport Hosts Aviation Careers Education

Diana Sanchez from Van Nuys Airport announced that

they are sponsoring the **Aviation Careers Education Academy** this summer for middle and high school students. The free week-long program provides students with a basic understanding of career opportunities in the aviation industry and general knowledge about the airport itself. It is open to all SFV middle and high school students. Although applications from other students in Los Angeles communities will be accepted, priority will be given to those attending school or living in the area of the airport. July 16 and 20 are the days reserved for the middle school students. High school students can participate on July 30 and August 3. Contact VNY Public and Community Relations, 818-442-6526 or go to www.lawa.aero.

Flag Presentation

PDG Les Grossman, who just returned from Rotary International's Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, had a gift for Barbara, Razi and Jim. He held up a plastic bag which contained flags from more than 20 Rotary clubs around the world, which he then presented to the trio.

Speakers: Veracruz, Mexico GSE Team Visits Van Nuys Joint Meeting



L to R: Barbara, Astrid, Omar, Crysthal and Will

We were delighted to have the **GSE team** from Veracruz, Mexico as our honored guests. The team headed by **Omar Falcon Aburto**, an attorney, included **Astrid Acosta Gomez** and **Crysthal Garcia Celis**, both educators, **Williams (Will) Escamilla Tiburcio**, a chemical and process engineer and **Jessica Ponce Salazar**, a dental surgeon.

Astrid and Crysthal narrated a video on the state of Veracruz, which includes 212 municipalities and Rotary District 4190, which sponsored their visit. District 4190 has 44 clubs and more than 1,100 members. The video highlighted the cities of Veracruz and Boca del Rio, known for their ports, industry and tourism; Coatzacoalcos, the main petrochemical area of Mexico; Cordoba y Orizaba, home to Mexico's coffee and sugar cane industries; Totonacapan for its archaeological sites, and Xalapa as the capital of the state of Veracruz and its main cultural city.

The GSE team donated two videos and three packets of coffee from the state of Veracruz to this week's opportunity drawing.



L to R: GSE Team Members Jessica and Astrid

Want more face to face time with the GSE team? Register for the upcoming 5260 District Conference on June 9 and 10 at the Beverly Garland Hotel.

Tierra Del Sol Recognition



L to R: Leonel, Sherina, Maria and Mauricio

The Van Nuys club honored two women, clients of Tierra Del Sol, who have expanded their horizons by helping others. Leonel Zuno, a representative from Tierra introduced the honorees, Sherina Assomull and Maria Contreras. Sherina is a volunteer at the Girl Scouts and the Skirball Hospice. Assisting others has helped Sherina become more outgoing and improve her own goals. Maria, who brought her parents and her care giver, Josephine, with her, has always dreamed of working with children. Her work with children at ONEGeneration has helped her fulfill her dream. Once extremely shy, she is now able to communicate better. Both women were presented certificates of appreciation and \$50 Target gift cards by Mauricio.

Van Nuys Demotion Party

The Van Nuys club will be dark June 21 as their demotion party will be held on June 22 at the 94th Aero Squadron.

Simi Valley Cajun and Blues Festival

Tim Gray from the Simi Sunrise club stopped by to remind us about his club's annual **Cajun and Blues Festival**. Tickets are \$20 for adults; however the Simi Cub is offering a discount for Rotarians who order ahead of time. Children aged 5 – 12 are \$15 and those under 5 are free. You can contact Tim at 818-428-6212 or tgray@spacevector.com.

Opportunity Drawing

This week's 50/50 pot went to Peter, who also was the winner of one of the GSE Team's videos. Other winners included: Marc, who won a video, and Raul, Jean and Francisco, who won packets of Veracruz grown coffee.

Reminders:

District 5280 Assembly

The Assembly for our new district will be held June 2 at Carson Community Center. This is a great opportunity to meet people in our new district, as well as offering the training all our chairs need for the coming year. So far, 250 people have signed up. The district needs to know how many people are coming to the assembly from our clubs. Please send your information to Jim Dyer (213-712-2538 or jim.dyer@rotary5280.org) or to Robin, so she can forward it to him. Stop by the PR seminar conducted by Robin Kellogg to find out how to better promote your club's activities. Hope to see you there!

Notable Quotable:

"Bad habits are like a comfortable bed, easy to get into, but hard to get out of." Anonymous

"Ability is what you are capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it." Lou Holtz

Meeting Information for Nearby Clubs

Calabasas, Tuesdays, 12:15 p.m.
Wolf Creek Restaurant
26787 Agoura Rd.
Calabasas, 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.rotaryclubgreaterstfv.org>

North San Fernando Valley, Thursdays at 12:00 p.m.
94th Aero Squadron (with the Van Nuys club)
16320 Raymer St.
Van Nuys

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

Van Nuys, Thursdays at 12:00 p.m.
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West San Fernando Valley, Thursdays at 7:15 a.m.
Coco's on Victory and Topanga
Topanga

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



Origami dollar dragon, in honor of the Year of the Dragon

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