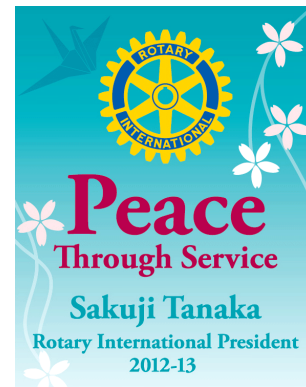


# Rotary Club of Greater Van Nuys

[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



## December 20, 2012

**Flag Salute:** James Tenner  
**Invocation:** PDG Eli Gauna

**Attending Members:** Alice Gauna, Don Reinken, Elaine Bern, PDG Eli Gauna, PDG Emilio Basile, James Tenner, Judy Coates, Ken Worthen, PDG Les Grossman, Barbara Pampalone, Bill Parks, Marco Padilla, Razi Sheikh, Patrick Fahey (welcome back!), Marie Valencia, Mauricio Aranda, Pete Satuloff, Richard Miller, Robin Kellogg, Ron Wolf, Roz Kogler, Tom Harris, Wayne Slappy, Zoraida Suarez, Clinton Jones, Rosielee Jones; Beth Ullman

**Guests and Visiting Rotarians:** Wynne Ritch, formerly of the Granada Hills club, and Jan Goforth

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### New Member Proposed

Wynne Ritch, a Rotarian of long standing recently with the Granada Hills club, is looking to transfer to our club. Now retired, he was an executive with the Boy Scouts of America, where he still offers his help and expertise. He is perhaps even better known for having one of the largest collections anywhere of Norman Rockwell paintings. If no objections are presented to the board within seven days of the publication of this newsletter, Wynne will be accepted for membership as a transferring Rotarian.

#### Club Assembly

We elected our new officers for 2013-14:

President, Richard Miller  
President-Elect, Rosielee Jones  
Immediate Past President, James Tenner  
Immediate Past President, Martha Stulman  
Secretary, Bill Parks  
Treasurer, Razi Sheikh  
Director of Administration, Emilio Basile  
The Rotary Foundation Director, Les Grossman  
Director of Membership, Wayne Slappy  
Director of PR, Robin Kellogg  
Director of Projects, Mauricio Aranda  
Community Service Chair, Marie Valencia  
Vocational Service Chair, Barbara Pampalone  
New Generations Chair, open  
International Service Chair, Zoraida Suarez

#### Club Committee positions:

Club Service Chair, open

### Calendar

**12/27**      **DARK**  
**1/3**      **Wynne Ritch**, Norman Rockwell and more  
**1/9, Wed.,** 6:00 p.m. **Board Meeting**, 7100 Hayvenhurst  
**1/10**      **TBA**  
**1/16, Wed.** **Bingo**, 6:30 p.m. at Union Hall, 14800  
Devonshire St. on the SW corner of  
Woodman

Programs Chair, Mauricio Aranda  
House Manager, Tom Harris  
Raffle Manager, Judy Coates  
Web Site Master, Emilio Basile  
Facebook Manager, Mauricio Aranda  
Bulletin Editor (pro tem), Beth Ullman

Please contact Mauricio or Emilio if you are interested in one of the open positions. Rich called for someone to take over or assist Beth and Robin with the bulletin so they can get a break – one or both have been doing it for 18 years!

#### Rotary Responds to Sandy Hook

Jim announced that our board voted to send a donation to help the victims of the recent massacre in Connecticut, through the Newtown Rotary Club. They have set up a foundation called the Newtown Rotary Sandy Hook Fund. You can learn more about it or make a contribution at <http://www.newtownctrotary.org>

#### January 1 Meal Plan Change Option

PDG Emilio reminded us that we need to let Razi know by January 1 if we would like to change our meal plan. The two options are: A) pay \$76.10/month for all lunches, with no credit for any missed meals, or B) pay \$20 in cash or by credit card at the meeting for each meal. Those paying on a per-meal basis will not be billed but must pay at the meeting when a meal is ordered.

#### Holiday Gifting

We adopted 30 families this holiday season for our Christmas Lives event, a project started by the former North San Fernando Valley Club. Marie hid a superb job organizing the project and finding the families through case workers and local rescue missions, as well as getting club members to volunteer. She thanked everyone for their help this past Tuesday, from buying items such as

new jackets and shoes for all the children, and gift cards to Vallarta markets for the parents, to passing everything out, plus feeding everyone. Santa was Javier Martinez, a former North San Fernando Valley Rotary member. The food was purchased through Communities in Schools thanks to a donation from Michael Gree. Stefni Valencia sang – beautifully, of course. And Bobbie Arias, President of Communities in Schools, was the DJ. It was a spectacular event, and very much appreciated by the families involved. We very much appreciated all Marie's hard work, including making all the purchases, and gave her a big round of applause.



*Some of the revelers December 18*



*Rosie Jones, Don Reinken and friends*



*Marie Valencia, Javier Martinez and friend*



*Mauricio Aranda and his son, Vincent, with some of the many bags of gifts given out*

### **The Rotary Foundation**

PDG Les asked that we all make an effort to keep our club a 100% club by making a contribution to The Rotary Foundation this Rotary year. And for tax purposes, by December 31 if at all possible! You can make them online at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org), mail it to the Foundation or give a check to him, but please let him know if you send it in yourself so he can keep track of our total club contributions.

### **It's Bingo Time!**

Rich reminded us that our club will hold its next Bingo game at Union Hall, located at 14800 Devonshire St. on the SW corner of Woodman on January 16, 2013. If you need tickets to sell, please contact Rich at 818-994-8234. We can accommodate 170 people, so please do your best to bring your family, friends and neighbors for a night of Bingo fun!

### **New Badges**

PDG Emilio told us our new club badges will be ordered January 15, though he still needs classifications for some. Please go to [www.greatervannuysrotary.org](http://www.greatervannuysrotary.org), our website, and verify that your classification is shown and is correct. If it is not, you can correct it online or email Emilio ([emilio@embasile.com](mailto:emilio@embasile.com)) or Robin ([robinlk@earthlink.net](mailto:robinlk@earthlink.net)) and they will make the correction for you.

### **Fundraisers**

Zoraida suggested a possible reverse raffle for one of our fundraisers. A patient of hers donated \$500 to our club or foundation to thank her, and she felt it would be a good start to that type of fundraiser, where each ticket costs \$100, with the tickets to be purchased in the patient's name. Several people suggested we also invite him to lunch as our guest and formally thank him for his generosity.

### **Where is Everyone?**

Mauricio observed that we have a number of members who never make it to meetings, and they are missed! He suggested we work to find ways to contact and encourage them to attend. We want to have everyone's input and participation to help our club be the best it can be.



## District Recognition

When Jim Tenner called Beth Ullman up to the podium, she thought he was just fining her for her vacation in Hawaii, but when she saw her PHF+7 pin thought it was that, so she didn't realize she was receiving the District Governor's Visionary Award, even though Jim read it out loud, until after she'd sat back down! (Had she been in town December 6 she would have received it when Mauricio received his very much-deserved award.) Beth extends her deepest thanks and appreciation to the club for nominating her for this very unexpected honor.

## REMINDERS

### Global Peace Forum

Rotary International will hold a Global Peace Forum at the Hawaii Convention Center in Honolulu, Hawaii, January 25-27, 2013. The event is geared toward young adults – our future leaders. More established Rotarians are invited to lend their perspectives to the younger generation. Jim suggested that if you haven't been to an international event this would be a good one to attend.

### Rotary Air Miles

Help Rotary get United Airlines miles! As a year-end holiday gift, United Airlines is offering a donation of 10 million miles to benefit its charity miles partners. Rotary is currently at #1. You can help us stay there by voting today and every day until December 25. Just go to <http://10millioncharitymiles.com/charity/39>. You can vote once each day for Rotary on each of your devices (laptops, smartphones, and tablets). RI will receive a portion of the miles based on the percentage of the overall vote received.

RI uses the miles to provide transportation for its Gift of Life surgical teams, to transport Iraqi children with birth defects to U.S. hospitals for treatment, to send volunteers to immunize children during National Immunizations Days and to provide airfare for financially disadvantaged Rotary Youth Exchange Students. So get on your computerized devices today and help Rotary make this happen!



## Rotary Magazines Anyone?

Marc has a collection of old Rotarian magazines. If you know of anyone who would want them, please let Marc know. He can be reached at 818-425-6667 or via email: [MarcTap@aol.com](mailto:MarcTap@aol.com).

## Happy Bucks

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Happy Bucks this week, including Barbara in honor of her new granddaughter, Mia Rose, born today (congratulations!); Robin in honor of her son Max's 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday today (and congrats to him!); Rich for his wife Ginny attending the holiday party; Elaine, and Beth in thanks for the District recognition.

## PolioPlus

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

## Opportunity Drawing

Congratulations to Pete Satuloff, who won half the \$85 pot.

## Notable Quotables

"This glorious image (of Saturn, released December 19, 2012) is our special gift to you, the people of the world, in this holiday season that brings the year 2012 to a close. I fervently hope it serves as a reminder that we humans, though troubled and warlike, are also the dreamers, thinkers, and explorers inhabiting one achingly beautiful planet, yearning for the sublime, and capable of the magnificent." Carolyn Porco, Cassini imaging team lead of the Space Science Institute in Boulder, Colorado

*May the new year bring you, if not everything you want, everything you need.*



## 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

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

## 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

### Director, Administration:

PDG Emilio Basile	H 818-886-4142
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### Secretary: Robin Kellogg

	H 818-993-5378
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### Treasurer: Razi Sheikh

	C 818-621-4841
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### Director, Membership:

Rich Miller	W 818-994-8234
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### Director, Projects:

Mauricio Aranda	W 818-634-4043
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### Director, Foundation:

PDG Les Grossman	H 818-757-0157
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### Director, Public Relations

Raul Castillo	C 818-636-9125
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### President Van Nuys Rotary Foundation:

Donald Fetherolf	H 818-986-1460
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### Bulletin Editor *pro tem*:

Beth Ullman	H 818-701-6889
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### Community Co-chair:

Marie Valencia	H 818-929-7118
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### Int'l Co-chair:

Zoraida Suarez	W 818-788-8838
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### New Generations Co-chairs:

Rosielee Jones	W 818-782-0022
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Mauricio Aranda	W 818-634-4043
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### Programs Chair:

Mauricio Aranda	W 818-634-4043
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<b>Vocational Chair:</b>	<i>Open</i>
<b>Sgt. at Arms:</b>	<i>Open</i>