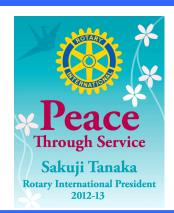


Rotary Club of Greater Van Nuys

www.greatervannuysrotary.org

Service Above Self

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



September 6, 2012

Flag Salute: Jim Tenner Invocation: Ken Worthen

Attending Members: Alice Gauna, Barbara Pampalone, PDG Emilio Basile (WELCOME BACK!), PDG Eli Gauna, Bob Reimann, Clinton Jones, Don Reinken, Jim Tenner, Javier Nunez, Lawrence Pleet, Judy Coates, Ken Worthen, Leo O'Biecunas, Frank Santucci, Marie Valencia, Mauricio Aranda, Patrick Fahey, Mike Quiroga, Pete Satuloff, Rich Miller, Ron Wolf, Marc Tapper, Roz Kogler, Raul Castillo, Tom Harris; Robin Kellogg

Guests: Jan Goforth, Van Nuys Airport; Elaine Bern of EHB Consulting on her third visit as a guest of the club; Greg Mokler, a 30 year Rotarian from Fort Collins, CO who is visiting son Chad Mokler and owns Pacific Eco Cremation for Pets; Elaine Bern on her third visit, applying for membership), Marco Padillo, also on his third visit; Ferdinand Moreno; Coach Scott King from Birmingham Community Charter High School; new Birmingham school principal and former Rotarian Bill Parks (from Stockton); Birmingham students Kimberly Nava and Emanuel Castro; and Michele Pincus, our speaker

Membership Notices

The following visitors have all attended at least three meetings and are being proposed for membership:

Fernando Moreno – Active Membership Potential Classification: Insurance, Life Marco Padilla – Associate Membership Potential Classification: Law, Intern

Elaine Bern – Active Membership Potential Classification: Business Financial Consultant

Please contact Rich Miller by phone (818-994-8234) or email (rtm@richardtmillerlaw.com) with any comments. If no objection is presented to the Board of Directors, membership will be extended to these individuals in 7 days

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jim talked about how Rotary clubs around the world meet almost every day, and no matter where you are you can usually find a meeting. He said he was recently in the San Diego area and picked up the North San Diego County Community News. It listed the local Rotary meetings. He suggested that when we're traveling we

Calendar

9/13 Ira Saltzman, Esq.

9/15, Sat. Polio Plus Dodger Game Night, Dodger

Stadium, 6:10 p.m.

Dance for Those Who Can't – PolioPlus fundraiser, 7:00 – 10:00 p.m., Greater SFV E-Club event at Arthur Murray Sherman

Oaks, 4633 Van Nuys Blvd.

9/19, Wed. Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. 9/20 Clarissa Black, Pets for Vets

9/27 **Mel Powell**, Ignite Membership!

9/28 - 30, Fri. - Sun. Bishop Safari

9/29, Sat. Granada Hills Rotary Blood Drive, and bone marrow database donation info from E-Club, Greater SFV, Granada Hills

E-Club, Greater SFV, Granada Hills Recreation Center, 16730 Chatsworth St.

 10/4 Dr. Barry Leonard, Optometrist
 10/7, Sun. Multi-Club Food Drive, Gelson's in Sherman Oaks and North Hollywood /

Sherman Oaks and North Hollywood Valley Village

10/9, Tues. Valley Community Clinic Roast of Paul Davis & Alberta Bellisario 5:30 – 7:30 pm at the Woodland Hills Hilton

10/10, Wed., Bingo, 6:30 p.m. Union Hall

10/14 TBA

10/25 Club Assembly

10/27, Sat. District Foundation Masquerade Ball,

Westin Bonaventure Hotel,

404 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles

10/31, Wed. Harvest Festival

11/1 DG Lew Bertrand, Governor's visit

should find a local paper and see where the closest Rotary club meets. When you're a Rotarian you are not alone. We work as a united group, serving our local communities, nations and the world. He equated it to throwing a pebble in the water and creating a ripple. One stone makes that change. That's what Rotarians do every day, in our attempts to make the world a better place to live.

Jim also mentioned that LA County has a **civil grand jury** system and is soliciting people to serve. Candidates must be able to commit to a year. Ask Jim for more info.

Bingo

Rich has so far given out 108 tickets for our October 10 game – please take a few and sell them to family and friends! Checks should be made out to *Rotary Bingo Project*.

LA Valley College Events

Raul reminded us that LA Valley College has a collegiate football team, the Monarchs. On September 22 they will be playing in Santa Barbara. To follow the Monarchs and other teams playing on campus, visit www.lavc.edu/athletics.htm.

This campus of the Los Angeles Community College system also has the Valley College Symphony, and the season has started! Visit http://www.lavc.edu/music/lavc-music-calendar.htm for more information.

Free Emergency Dental Care

Jan Goforth announced that Dr. David Shannon of Northridge told Diana Sanchez that he will offer free dental treatment to anyone with a dental emergency, who cannot otherwise afford it, on a first-come first-served basis on Saturday, September 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. His office is at 18915 Nordhoff St., Ste. 1, Northridge; phone number 818-772-7096.

Reminders

September 9 will be the annual **District picnic** and cardboard boat race – a great way to make new friends in the new district. Please visit www.rotary5280.org for more information.

September 15 will be the annual **Dodger Game Night** for PolioPlus. Game tickets are just \$30 each; see the district website, www.rotary5280.org, for more information. Robin also has opportunity drawing tickets (just \$10 each) for the event, where you could win prizes that include meeting with the team on the field after the game.

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.

The **October 27 RI Foundation fundraiser** is a masquerade ball, with auctions. Tickets are \$125 each, but the club will contribute \$25/member or \$50/couple to encourage every one to attend. Let Jim know if you are going – we may end up buying a table or two (the norm in 5280). Robin also has opportunity drawing tickets – you could win \$500, \$1,500 or \$3,000! Tickets are just \$10.

Awards

We were delighted to honor Birmingham Community Charter High School students Kimberly Nava and Emanuel Castro. Kimberly was recognized for her leadership and outstanding abilities on the Cross Country track Team, while maintaining a 3.3 GPA. Coach King said that she will be one of the top runners in Southern California when she's done. Emanuel is the "come through guy" on the football team, most recently stepping in as their backup quarterback and helping to win the game. He's also an outstanding student, with a 3.7 GPA. Congratulations to them both! Mauricio present both students with a \$50 Target gift certificate.

Coach King expressed his pride in the school and football program, remembering all the kids over the years who went on to play for USC, CSU and UC schools.

Principal Bill Parks told us that one of his best decisions was participation in Rotary, and "if someone would extend me the invitation I would love to join this club." Several club members said "you're invited!" The principal invited us in turn to visit the school.



L-R: Scott King, Emanuel Castro, Kimberly Nava, Bill Parks and Mauricio Aranda

Speaker: Michele Pincus, Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society

Michele has been the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society's registrar group's since Jan. 2004. "It is the oldest Science Fantasy club on the planet", established in 1934, and has the largest lending library with more than 22,000 volumes. Members number 5,000 worldwide, and range in age from 9 to 90. Usually from 50 to 100 attend meetings each week. The organization counts many noted science fiction authors among their past and present members, including Ray Bradbury, Robert Heinlein and Larry Niven, one of the authors of *Fallen Angels*, a Prometheus Award-winning novel. Writer John Scalzi, author of such novels as *Red Shirts*, *The Android's Dream*, and *The Ghost Brigades* is another.

Don gave Michele book to sign for Casa Esperanza, and she invited anyone interested in the Society to come and join them for one of their meetings. To find out more about the Society, visit http://www.lasfs.org. They are located at 6012 Tyrone Ave. in Van Nuys.



Don Reinken, Michele Pincus and Jim Tenner.

Happy Bucks

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Happy Bucks today.

Priscilla Pig for PolioPlus

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Priscilla today.

Opportunity Drawing

Congratulations to Emanuel, who won half of this week's \$40 pot.

Notable Quotables:

"We establish no religion in this country. We command no worship. We mandate no belief, nor will we ever. Church and state are and must remain separate." Ronald Reagan, 40th US President (1911-2004)

"Religious freedom should work two ways: we should be free to practice the religion of our choice, but we must also be free from having someone else's religion practiced on us." John Irving, novelist (b. 1942)

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.rotaryeclubgreatersfv.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

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L' Shana Tovah, everyone! Happy New Year.



