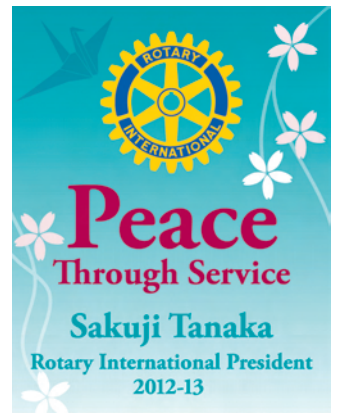


# ROTARY SPOKES

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## Experiencing the Banking Crisis

Today our speaker is George Leis, the President & Chief Operating Officer of Santa Barbara Bank & Trust.



He joined SBB&T in March 2006 to oversee the Company's Wealth Management Division and assumed the additional role heading Information Technology later that year. He was appointed President & CEO in April 2007. Prior to joining SBB&T, he was the Managing Director, U.S. Head, Products and National Practice Leader for Investments at Deutsche Bank Private Wealth Management. He also served as Senior Vice President and Director of Private Client Services Centers at Wells Fargo and as Senior Vice President and Manager for Bank of America Private Bank. George began his banking career with Security Pacific National Bank in Retail and Commercial Banking. A graduate of California State University Northridge, he is a Certified Trust and Financial Advisor.

## Polio- the End in Sight?

The Rotary International Assembly took place last week, with a focus on the final push to end polio. Here are some key points made at that meeting:

- In 2012, there were fewer cases of polio in fewer districts of fewer countries than at any point in history.
- All but six cases in 2012 were in the polio endemic countries of Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria. Five cases were in Chad which has not reported a case since last June and one case was reported in Niger in the final week of 2012. Countries will remain at risk until polio has been eradicated in the remaining places where it persists.

- Bruce Aylward of the World Health Organization said that the last case of polio could be sometime toward the end of this calendar year. We are in the first year of a five-year "endgame" plan being presented to governments for their continued support.
- Regarding the murders of polio workers in Pakistan, national and local government authorities are taking stronger measures to protect the many thousands of workers all across the country. Aylward said that the work continues with stronger police presence in the districts where workers were killed. They showed slides of other attacks (suicide bombers etc) in past years, saying that the determination and courage of NID workers is a principal factor in bringing polio eradication "this close."
- RI is conducting advocacy--and asks all Rotary Districts and Clubs--to advocate for political and financial support for global polio eradication.
- In addition to maintaining generous levels of financial support, Clubs are urged to seek community financial support through event fundraising or direct personal appeals to potential donors.
- Giving this spring is especially important as Rotary is spending \$35 million, matched by another \$35 million from the Gates Foundation, to support this year's push to immunize "Every Last Child." Clubs and Districts are not being called upon to match Gates, but to replenish Rotary's polio eradication resources as this \$35 million is put into the field in a concentrated period of time.



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## Recap of January 16, 2013 meeting

For the invocation, Lynda Girtsman offered an Indian prayer. RoseAnn Hill and Clyde Reynolds led the Club in "America the Beautiful." Ajay Dhebar delivered his Rotary Moment concerning helping others while Terri Adams conducted fining about the NBA.

Hutch Hutchison presented Paul Harris Fellows to Larry Rasmussen and Jack Wood for winning their respective football pools. The money from the pools went to Polio Plus. Larry Rasmussen decided to give his PHF to his wife Eileen.

Terry Schaeffer reminded club members to sign up for the Super Bowl Party on February 3. Rosa Lee Measures announced the Jan 25th memorial service for Ventura East Rotarian Carol Marquez-Olson husband's memorial service. The 25th is also an evening performance by the New West Symphony of "Visions of America." Contact Mike Anderson if you want to attend. President Indy announced that the Rotary Foundation District Gala is also on Friday, January 25th

### Program

The program was given by motivational speaker Dana Lamon. His topic concerned finding meaning in your life. Where do you go to find meaningfulness in your life? Wherever you are, he answered. Many feel they have to journey elsewhere to find it. So, how do you know when you find it?

He was blinded as a child after a fall and had to endure people saying "He's blind; he can't." This motivated him to succeed in life.

Dana spoke of four pillars of a meaningful life: growth, connection, purpose and self-definition.

- Growth: Welcome change, expand experiences, learn for a lifetime, leave yesterday behind.
- Connection: find a common interest, mutual benefits, love
- Purpose: all things have purpose. It can change. Consider talents and abilities. Look for what is needed. Our purpose is to give. To make a difference.
- Self-definition: define yourself.

## Today's Agenda

***George Leis***

Experiencing the Banking Crisis

Introductions

*Dan Holmes*

Rotary Moment

*Ed Campbell*

Fining

*Rosa Lee Measures*



*Dana Lamon concludes his presentation while President Indy looks on.*



*Hutch Hutchison presents Larry Rasmussen with a Paul Harris Fellow.*



## NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

The following are proposed for membership:

- **Sandra Burkhardt**, proposed with classification of "Petroleum Trade Association" as a New Generations Member, by Rosa Lee Measures
- **Joe C. Espino**, proposed with classification of "Banking", by Juan Soto.

If you have any objection to membership of these individual in our club, please contact the President or Secretary in writing within seven days.



*Hutch Hutchison presents Jack Wood with a Paul Harris Fellow.*



*Mike Anderson discusses the New West Symphony event later this month*

## Upcoming Events

### Newcomers Meeting

Crowne Plaza

Jan 25, 2013 07:30 PM -08:30 PM

### Club Mixer in lieu of a program

Jan 30, 2013 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM

### Super Bowl Party- *see back page!*

Sherry Scott Residence

Feb 03, 2013 2:30 PM

### NID to India

Feb 24, 2013 - Feb 25, 2013



*Terri Adams stumps the club with questions about the NBA, particularly the LA Lakers.*



*Ajay Dhebar shares his Rotary moment with the club.*



## Rotary Club of Ventura 2012-2013

### Officers

President	Indy Batra
President Elect	Irene Henry
Secretary	Jim Deardoff
Recording Secretary *	Larry Emrich
Treasurer	Connie Young
Assistant Treasurer *	Mark Sauer
Immediate Past President	Lynda Girtsman
	*Non-Voting Position

### Avenues of Service

#### Club Service

Director	Dan Holmes
Assistant Director	Mario de la Piedra

#### Community Service

Director	Ellyn Dembowski
Assistant Director	Ron Calkins

#### International Service

Director	Ed McCombs
Assistant Director	Christina Rust

#### New Generations

Director	Gary Young
Assistant Director	Courtney Lindberg

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Director	Doug Halter
Assistant Director	Lynda Girtsman

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## Rotary Club of Ventura Annual Super Bowl Party, February 3rd



- Who: Rotarians, potential members, family, & friends  
 What: Super Bowl Party famous RC of Ventura potluck format  
 Where: Sherry Scott's home 968 Secnic Way Drive Ventura  
 When: Sunday Feb. 3rd 2:30 pm (kick off 3:30 pm)  
 Why: Why not? Come see if Roger Case has perfected his recipe for clam chowder on a stick!  
 How: Service, plates, utensils, napkins, etc. will be provided along with water, soft drinks, coffee.

You bring a family favorite dish or favorite football finger food to pass. BYOB bring your favorite alcoholic beverage if you wish.

## PSY says "End Polio Now."

