



THE TALK OF TORRANCE

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THIS WEEK'S MEETING: President Charlotte opened the meeting. Dave Holper led us in the pledge of allegiance. Carina Sokolich was our song leader for "You are my Sunshine" and Bob Abelson read an inspirational message. Guests today: Carina Sokolich introduced her guest Robert Rubiano. Cecilia had 2 guest Fay Davachi and Leonila Manzon. Also Cristian Vasquez from the Torrance Tribune. **RAFFLE:** Bob Abelson won the card raffle but no joker. Brad Fritz won the 50/50. No Happy/Sad dollars this week due to time restraints.



Carina Sokolich with her guest Robert Rubiano



Cecilia (middle) with her 2 guest Fay Davachi & Leonila Manzon.



Cristian Vasquez from Torrance Tribune. More on the Torrance Tribune on page 4 or check out his paper at www.heraldpublications.com



Bob Zappelli had to wear the late hat.



During the start of WWII an average of 33 merchant ships were sunk a week. The S.S. Lane Victory saw little action in WWII because it was commissioned near the end of the war in 1945. However, during the Korean war it was put back into service. Including helping several thousand refugee evacuated Korea.

The Lane Victory is a fully operational merchant ship that is a memorial for the merchant marines who served during the war. 3 times a year they take guest out on the ship to help raise money to keep the boat afloat. For more information about the Lane Victory go to www.lanevictory.org

TODAY'S PROGRAM: S.S. LANE VICTORY was presented by Gregory Williams a retired Captain in the US Merchant Marines. Capt. Williams did a spectacular job going through the history of the Merchant Marines and the important role they played in WWII and the Korean War.



Capt. Williams with Charlotte Melsh

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Torrance Kiwanis Logo Wear: Dave Holper had several shirts on display for our members to see and order the ones they like. It will have the Torrance Kiwanis logo on the shirts. Photo on right is Dave with shirt samples.



Inter-Club Report: Bob Abelson filed in for Michael Friedman. We need members on November 17th at the Eastview Kiwanis Club in San Pedro. They meet at 8:00 AM. If available please e-mail Bob or Michael.

Division Announcements: LTG. Tim McDannold announced the Traveling Club Award that will be given to the club that travels to the most clubs and miles. LTG Tim also presented Tony Molino with an award for being the Division 19 newsletter for the last 15 years for some reason was overlooked at the Division Installation Dinner

Toy's for the Troop's Kids: Stephanie Yee started accepting toys for this years project. If you need a collection box for your workplace let her know.

Santa's Visit to Harbor UCLA Medical Center: Tony Goorchenko is now accepting sign up for the event. Please note that you must have a current TB test with a certificate to be a visitor at the hospital.

Sponsored Leadership Programs: Carina announced that her 1st meeting at THS was great. She met the president and Parker Bostwick our faculty advisor. John Hernandez said they NHS Key club has close to 300 members this year with about 80 signed up for fall rally. Tony G reported that Richardson Middle School Builders are already signed up for Rose Float decorating and have a bus scheduled.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ★ **KICK OFF for the City of Torrance Centennial** – Wilson Park, 4 PM to 7 PM, **November 6th**
- ★ **CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY – February 2nd** Please mark your calendar. We will be hosting the event for the City and Mayor Scotto. More information will be coming soon.

DONATIONS & DRIVERS NEEDED

New Challenge Ministries – NCM is in need of clothing, especially children and ladies so this would be a good time to clean out your closets and support John Hernandez in his work. Currently they are looking for a refrigerator to help a family in need. They are a 501c 3 and these are chartable contribution.



For more info call Torrance Kiwanian
Pastor John Hernandez
310-490-9439

THANKSGIVING DINNER



Last year New Challenge Ministries was able to help over 75 families with turkey dinners. Each dinner had an average cost of \$50. NCM is hoping this year to raise enough finances to feed over 100 families. You may make cash or food donations to assist in feeding these needy families.

If you have any questions please call.

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SPECIAL THANK YOU

To Gayle CdeBaca for filling in this week for Laurie Love as co-editor of our newsletter.

KIWANIS

One Can Make A Difference

TORRANCE KIWANIS BOOTH AT TORRANCE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS EXPO:



Carina Sokolich reported on the business expo. We handed out cards to several potential members. Great event.



KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

ELIMINATE

Kiwanis eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus



The **ELIMINATE Project** Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. This deadly disease steals the lives of 60,000 innocent babies and 30,000 mothers each year. The effects of the disease are excruciating tiny newborns suffer repeated, painful convulsions and extreme sensitivity to light and touch.

To eliminate MNT from the Earth by 2015, 129 million mothers and their future babies must be immunized. This requires vaccines, syringes, safe storage, transportation, thousands of skilled staff and more. Eliminating MNT from the face of the Earth will reach the poorest, most neglected mothers and babies with additional lifesaving health care. The end of this one disease means The beginning of better health for so many families. For more info go to www.kiwanis.org



CAL-NEV-HA KIWANIS AND KI FOUNDATION

The "Kiwanis Doctor" Program: With the backing of a \$186,000 grant from the Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation trains doctors in the field of Pediatric Emergency Medicine. The doctors that have gone through this program then collaborated with Kiwanis Clubs to provide training in the field of pediatric trauma to paramedics,

nurses and physicians in rural areas of the Cal-Nev-Ha District. The goal of the Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellowship is simple: Save the lives of children by training doctors about the latest in pediatric treatment. For more information go to www.cnhfoundation.org



KIWANIS IS A GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF VOLUNTEERS DEDICATED TO CHANGING THE WORLD ONE CHILD AND ONE COMMUNITY AT A TIME

Spooktacular Night at Annual Halloween Ball



Above, left to right: Kirsten Orler, Sue Kent, Scott Fuchs, Honey Fuchs, Chris Wang, Aaron Ackles, Torrance Chamber of Commerce, LA County Supervisor Don Knabe, Debbie Taylor, PTN Coordinator.

Left: Rick Sowers of Bank of Manhattan and his wife Mari Brusseau.

Below, left to right: Kristin Rehan, Mary Simons, Mia Simons, Stacy Pacheco and Patricia Stegert.

Right: Retired Police Chief of Manhattan Beach Rod and Jennifer Uyeda, Torrance Police Department Sergeant.

Left: The Depot Restaurant's Chef Michael Shafer and Marcker.

Below: South High Key Club volunteers, from left to right: Danae Ormigo, Rachel Frigione, Christine Mack, Kia Guillaume, Erica Gola.



The Depot's 16th Annual Halloween Ball took place this weekend with more than 700 costumed guests supporting this year's fundraiser. The celebrated annual event included dancing to a live band, martini bar, costume contest, live and silent auctions and a delicious dinner prepared by The Depot Restaurant's Chef Michael Shafer. Additional sponsors included Samuelsen, Gonzalez, Valenzuela & Brown and Toyota. Lots of fun for ghosts and ghouls. Photos by Chris Nishimura.

Below: Live Band: Guitar Tim Kobay; Sax Vince Suzuki; Drums David Page; Bass Brent Struht; Keyboard Barry Keynolds; Lead Vocals Sean Wiggins; Vocal Rick Mills.



Left: left to right: Christine Elia with sons Andrew (11 years old) and Christian (9) selling raffle tickets for iPod.

Right: Congresswoman Janice Hahn.



Above: Garth Sellers, National Facilities Manager at American Honda Motor Company, Inc., Karen Sellers, Sales Manager at Shorewood Builders and Herb Moerkel, Editor in Chief of Torrance Tribune and CEO of Herald Publications, Inc.



Above: (Left) Heather McGuire, PTN Staff Volunteer; (Center) Marleea Myers, PTN Grant Writer; (right) Kathy Costa, PTN Events Director.

Left: Deputy of L.A. County Supervisor Don Knabe, Steve Napolitano with Marcker.

Above: Public and Government Affairs Manager of the Exxon Mobil Corporation in Torrance Daymond Rice and Jennifer Rice.



Above: Kevin and Anjelo Perrotto.

Right: left to right: PTN Executive Director Gina Coleman, Miss California 2011 Noelle Freeman, PTN Executive Director Zoo Mallicou, PTN Executive Director Terri Nishimura.



The Torrance Tribune is a local paper that is dedicated to reporting on the people, the events and the Torrance community. This is a reprint of the October 20, 2011 edition that had a full page on the PTN Halloween Ball. Christen Elia with her sons are also photographed selling raffle tickets at the event. For more information about this paper go to their web site. www.hearldpublications.com

FUNNY PAGE



TOP 10 TEXTING CODES USED BY SENIOR CITIZENS

10. **ATD:** At the Doctor's
9. **BFF:** Best Friends Funeral
8. **BTW:** Bring the Wheelchair
7. **CBM:** Covered by Medicare
6. **FWIW:** Forgot Where I Was
5. **LOL:** Living on Lipitor
4. **WTFA:** Wet the Furniture Again
3. **HGBM:** Had Good Bowel Movement
2. **WAITT:** Who Am I Talking To?
1. **ROFL-CGU:** Rolling on the Floor Laughing...Can't get Up!



KIWANIS CLUB INFORMATION



DIVISION 19 WEEKLY MEETINGS

TUESDAY

El Segundo- Hacienda Hotel, 525 Sepulveda Blvd. 12:10 PM
Lomita/ Harbor City- 24822 Narbonne Ave. Lomita 6:30 PM
Manhattan Beach- Tin Roof Bistro, Manhattan Village Mall..... 12:10 PM
Torrance, Sizzler Restaurant 2880 Sepulveda Blvd. 12: 10 PM

WEDNESDAY

Carson- Double Tree Hotel-. (1st & 3rd Wed. Only) 12:10 PM
Hermosa Beach- 2515 Valley Drive Hermosa Bch. 12:10 PM
Lawndale-Hanks Bistro, 14406 Hawthorne Blvd.(1st & 3rd Wed.) 12:10 PM
San Pedro, The Whale & Ale Restaurant..... 12:10 PM

THURSDAY

Eastview- Sheraton Hotel, Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro..... 8:00 AM
Gardena Valley-Elks Lodge, 1735 W. 162 Street. Gardena 12:10 PM
LAX- Renaissance Hotel, 9620 Airport Blvd., at LAX 12:30 PM
Rolling Hills/PV- Red Onion Restaurant Rolling Hills Estates..... 12:10 PM

FRIDAY

Hawthorne- Nat's Airport Café, Hawthorne Airport 12:10 PM

INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT OFFICERS 2011-2012

International President Alan Penn
 CAL-NEV-HA District Governor Richard Olmsted
 CAL-NEV-HA- District Governor Elect Gary Jander
 Division 19 Lt. Governor Tim McDannold
 Division 19 Lt. Gov. Elect..... Mark Waronek
 Region 8 Trustee..... Richard Huhn

TORRANCE KIWANIS SPONSORED LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

<u>Club</u>	<u>Member Advisor</u>
North High Key Club.....	John Hernandez
Weekly Meeting - Fridays at Noon	
South High KIWIN'S	Eric Harris
Weekly Meeting -Friday at Noon	
Torrance High KIWIN'S.....	Carina Sokolich/Bob Zappelli
Weekly Meeting -Tuesday at Noon	
West High Key Club.....	Tim Pollard
Weekly Meeting – Friday at Noon	
Bishop Montgomery High Key Club.....	Tony Goorchenko
Richardson Middle School Builders Club.	Tony Goorchenko

THE OBJECTS OF KIWANIS

- **TO GIVE** primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than material values of life
- **TO ENCOURAGE** the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships
- **TO PROMOTE** the adoption and the application of social, business and professional standards
- **TO DEVELOP** by precept and example a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship
- **TO PROVIDE**, through KIWANIS Clubs a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities
- **TO COOPERATE** in creating and maintaining sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase in righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

Torrance Kiwanis Charities

Since 1988 several local charities and service programs have benefited from the Torrance Kiwanis Fund raising efforts. These charities are as follows:

- ♥ Aging In Place Seniors Program
- ♥ Angels for Sight
- ♥ American Cancer Society
- ♥ American Heart Association - Heart Walk LA
- ♥ Children's Miracle Network
- ♥ Counseling 4 Kids
- ♥ Disaster Relief (Tsunami & Hurricane Katrina)
- ♥ Harbor UCLA Medical Center Santa's Visit
- ♥ Key Leader
- ♥ Kiwanis/Benjamin Aranda III Scholarship Fund
- ♥ Kiwanis CAL-NEV-HA Foundation
- ♥ Kiwanis International Foundation
- ♥ L.A. Dept. of Child Services, Christmas Party
- ♥ Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
- ♥ New Challenge Ministry – Food Bank
- ♥ Pediatric Therapy Network
- ♥ Red Ribbon Week
- ♥ Salvation Army Christmas Bell Ringing
- ♥ Salvation Army Health Faire
- ♥ Special Olympics
- ♥ South Bay Children's Choir
- ♥ St Patrick's Day Charity 10 K Run
- ♥ Switzer Education Center
- ♥ Torrance Coordinating Council Scholarships
- ♥ Torrance Education Foundation
- ♥ Torrance Memorial Hospital Pediatric Unit
- ♥ Torrance YMCA
- ♥ Young Children Immunization Program

CLUB INFORMATION

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2011-2013 TERM
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 Curtis Jones, Jr.
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