



## THE TALK OF TORRANCE

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**Missing – Large 8 foot Kiwanis banner. If anyone knows where it is, we need it for Relay For Life. Please contact Jennifer Frew.**

**THIS WEEK'S MEETING:** President Charlotte Melsh opened today's meeting, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and in recognition of this being opening day at Dodger Stadium had us sing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame." Michael Friedman provided the inspiration and shared Matzo for Passover. Christine Elia was the only late member and escaped wearing the late chapeau. Bob Zappelli won the card raffle and will draw for the Joker next week. Dolores Lyttle won the 50/50 raffle for the third week in a row. Today's guest was Tara Nierenhausen, our speaker. Charlotte reported that the Hope 4 Kids Egg Hunt and Easter Outreach at Peck Park Recreation Center was a huge success and well attended with many Kiwanis volunteers. Please check announcements in the newsletter to keep informed about important upcoming events.



**PROGRAM– Tara Nierenhausen:** The mission statement for Community's Child is: "Working with the community to transition homeless and disadvantaged women and children into contributing and valued members of society".

Community's Child is a residential living and personal development program open to homeless single mothers over the age of eighteen years, with an infant under the age of twelve months. All applicants must be clean and sober, free from communicable diseases and demonstrate a high level of motivation to achieve self-sufficiency through attendance in school, college, job readiness programs and/or employment. The maximum length of stay is two years and referrals to the program are made by: Crisis Maternity Shelters, Battered Women's Shelters, Social Workers, Police Officers, Medical Professionals, Pregnancy Help Centers, Church Officials, and Staff. All participants are required to adhere to the program structure which includes rules and regulations, curfews, home maintenance routines, attendance in parenting, and self-development classes, as well as case management and goal review sessions. In effort to ensure quality continuum of services, Community's Child works in collaboration with Southern California's foundations, business, churches, service clubs, legal aid, medical providers, social services, learning institutes, government and other nonprofits. Founded in 2005 to provide support and help to the large homeless population of women in the greater South Bay area, funding comes from donation and grants. Recently Community's Child was honored as the recipient of the "2011 Community Service Award" for their ongoing and outstanding services to the community. Congratulations Community's Child and thank you for providing hope to homeless women and their children. For more info go to [www.comunityschild.org](http://www.comunityschild.org)



### IN MEMORIAM OF KIWANIS CAL-NEV-HA PAST GOVERNOR LES WIXON

By Tony Molino

It is with deep sadness that I announce the passing of Past Cal-Nev-Ha Governor Les Wixon on April 3, 2012, after a long battle with lung disease. Les received a lung transplant in 2011 at UCLA Medical Center and was back at work for a short period of time when complication with the transplant put him back in the hospital. The family has no services planned at this time. You may leave a note, message or post a photo on the Facebook page set up by the Wixon family.

Facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/265454810215510/>

*In lieu of flowers you may make a donation in Les Wixon's name to the American Lung Association or the American Diabetes Association.*



## Torrance Sports Festival, Kiwanis 1-Day and the Torrance Centennial Beautification: Wilson Park - April 14<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00 AM Opening Ceremonies  
Master of Ceremonies – Harvey Horwich  
Presentation of Colors – NHS ROTC  
Pledge of Allegiance – Debbie Spomer  
National Anthem – Anthony Martinez  
Introduction of Honored Guests  
Torrance Centennial Presentation – Laurie Love  
Athlete Welcome – Jennifer Bleidistel  
Athlete Oath – Mark Bialick
- 9:30 AM Basketball and Bocce Competition begins
- Noon Lunch Break and Fun Games for All



**Relay For Life** – Kay Griffith – It is time to sign up to participate as a member of the Kiwanis Relay Team. Relay will be at South High School April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Opening Ceremonies are at 9:00 a.m. on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Immediately following the Opening Ceremonies is the Survivor Lap followed by the participating team lap. Team members should try and be present for the team lap as we show our Kiwanis spirit. Luminaries are available for a suggested donation of \$15.00. These can be purchased in memory of a loved one, for a caregiver or a survivor. Go to [www.relayforlife.org/torranceca](http://www.relayforlife.org/torranceca) to sign up as part of our team. Registration has already been paid so all you need to do is sign up.

## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ✓ **Inter-clubs:** Michael Friedman : We will be having Inter-clubs in May, June, July, and August. More information will be coming.
- ✓ **Division 19 News:** Tony Goorchenko – There will be a Division Council Meeting on **April 16<sup>th</sup>** hosted by Rolling Hills. Please let Tony know if you are attending.
- ✓ **UCLA Harbor General Medical Center Honors Kiwanis:** Tony Goorchenko – Our Club is being recognized on **April 18<sup>th</sup>** for our continued support during the Christmas holidays. If you can attend, please contact Tony.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ★ April 14<sup>th</sup> – Sports Festival, Kiwanis 1-Day & Torrance Centennial Beautification at Wilson Park
- ★ April 16<sup>th</sup> – Division Council Meeting – 5:30 PM, Lomita Kiwanis Hall
- ★ April 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> – Relay For Life, South High School
- ★ **May 1<sup>st</sup> – Torrance Kiwanis Scholarship Luncheon at Doubletree Hotel.**
- ★ June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Texas Hold Em Tournament



- By 1920, only 94 telephone subscribers were listed for the town of 1200 residents.
- Original Torrance consisted of three square miles. Later, through annexations, the total rose to 21 square miles.

**HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS:** **Christine Elia** – ☺ Tara and her work, visited her at her home and it is beautiful, God bless you, many nice men in our club but thankful for her husband. **Michael Friedman** – ☺ Speaker, wonderful talk, nice that our club does so much for kids ☺ sad the number of people needing help. **Tony Goorchenko**– ☺ Christine got a way without wearing the late chapeau. **Harvey Horwich**– ☺ Our speaker, had no idea the extent of the problem, whatever religious differences and beliefs it is a good season. **Peter Issa** – ☺ Speaker and the amazing work. Wishful \$ that the mega million dollar teacher winners know what to do with their money. **Curtis Jones Jr.** – ☺ Our speaker and the work they do. **Nadine Koerner** – ☺ Our speaker, very fascinating presentation. **David Kuroda**– ☺ Our speaker and what they are doing ☺ so many mothers and children homeless ☺ last week won the Joker award and used the money to buy supplies for his church garden, hopefully this will help feed others. **Laurie Love** – ☺ Our speaker and a nice Easter. **Dolores Lyttle** - ☺ Speaker and the good work. **Ryoko Mand**– ☺ Wonderful speaker, son is completing his 2<sup>nd</sup> class at University of Phoenix tonight. **Charlotte Melsh** – ☺ Our guest speaker, her children, Michael sharing that we can learn from others, wishful \$ for the DCM this Monday. **Bob Zappelli**- ☺ Glad to be here, but had to leave early. Guests: **Tara Nierenhausen** - ☺ To be able to serve people in the community.



\$'s – Michael Friedman, Curtis Jones, Jr., David Kuroda

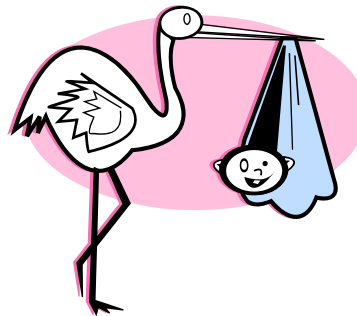


Hava Leah Mintz born on April 6<sup>th</sup>

## OUR NEWEST MEMBER TO THE KIWANIS FAMILY:

Hava Leah Mintz was born Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:38 AM. and came in at 6 lbs, 13.5 oz.

Congratulations to Nathan and Judy Mintz



## TORRANCE KIWANIS SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON MAY 1<sup>st</sup>

Don't Forget our Annual Torrance Kiwanis/Judge Aranda Scholarship luncheon will be on **Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>** at the **Doubletree Hotel**. There is no meeting at the Sizzler Restaurant that day. We will be honoring students from the 5 High Schools in Torrance, along with Judge Benjamin Aranda, Enterprise Rent A Car our major Donor and Ralph Thompson our past president.

**Everyone is invited, so please bring a spouse, family and friends as we honor these future leaders.**

For more information about the luncheon contact Laurie Love 310-729-3676 or [laurielove@socal.rr.com](mailto:laurielove@socal.rr.com)



**GARDENA VALLEY KIWANIS PRESENT THE 58<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC:** Monday, April 23rd at the **Rolling Hills Country Club**. With 46 years of tradition, this course offers 6100 yards of pure golfing pleasure! Take a swing at one of the most beautiful courses in Southern California and at the same time play an integral part in the goals of Kiwanis International, including Pediatric Trauma, helping the Special Olympics, providing resources to the needy and bringing fun and laughter to Children and Senior Citizens. For more information, please contact:

**LARRY OLSON 310-323-1337 or e-mail: [larryo@crenshawlumber.com](mailto:larryo@crenshawlumber.com)**

## Hawthorne Kiwanis Casino Night

Saturday, May 5, 2012 from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM (PT)  
Hawthorne, at the Nat's Airport Café Banquet Room. For more information and to buy tickets go to [www.hawthornekiwanis.com](http://www.hawthornekiwanis.com)



MAY 7, 2012



**BOWL4KIDS**

Celebrate and kick off **National Foster Care Awareness Month** with Counseling4Kids, a local nonprofit organization, at its first annual bowl-a-thon. Bowl with local businesses and service organizations and challenge each other in a friendly competition to see who can win such accolades as Top Bowler, Top Fundraiser, Top Fundraising Group all to benefit children in foster care.

**Registration:** 5pm  
**Individuals:** \$35 pre-register  
**Bowling & Program:** 6-8pm

**Lane sponsorships & More:**  
Available at  
[www.counseling4kids.org](http://www.counseling4kids.org)

**Palos Verdes Bowl**  
24600 Crenshaw Blvd.  
Torrance, CA 90505

## Counseling4Kids

### Torrance Office

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[www.counseling4kids.org](http://www.counseling4kids.org)

# KIWANIS

One Can Make A Difference



Tony Molino and Phil "TUNA" Cook have been appointed by our Board of Directors as our Delegates for Convention. We would love to have more members attend this convention. For more information and to register on line at [www.kiwanisone.org](http://www.kiwanisone.org).

## 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](http://www.kiwanis.org)

## CAL-NEV-HA KIWANIS AND KI FOUNDATION



to [www.cnhfoundation.org](http://www.cnhfoundation.org)

**The "Kiwanis Doctor" Program:** With the backing of an \$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 info go





## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pacific Audi Quattro Cup Golf Tournament

**MAY 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 7:00 a.m.**  
**Los Verdes Golf Course**  
**7000 W. Los Verdes Drive, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA**

- ▶ **Players have two options:**
  - 2-Person Alternate Shot\* (*handicap required*)
  - 4-Person Scramble\*\* (*no handicap required*)
- ▶ **Shotgun Start • Lunch Included**
- ▶ **Putting Contest • Long-Drive Contest • Closest-to-the-Pin Contest**
- ▶ **Hole-In-One Contest—Take your best swing to win a new 2012 Audi A6 from Pacific Audi**
- ▶ **\$100 per player or \$400 per foursome if registered by April 1st**
- ▶ **\$125 per player if registered after April 1st**



Supporting the educational efforts of  
**John Adams Elementary School and  
 the Torrance Education Foundation**



\*The winning 2-person team will be entered to play in the 2012 Audi Quattro Cup U.S. Final at Pebble Beach Resorts. Scheduled for August 23–26 on the fairways of both The Links at Spanish Bay and Pebble Beach Golf Links.  
 \*\*The winning 4-person team will receive a \$800 gift card for the team, plus prizes for 2nd and 3rd place 4-person teams.

**Registration:** To download registration form, please visit [www.adams.tusd.org](http://www.adams.tusd.org)  
**Questions?** Please feel free to contact James Han at (213) 447-1187 or email [JamesHan@msn.com](mailto:JamesHan@msn.com)



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Detach this portion and submit with your check

Register by April 1st and pay \$100 per individual or \$400 per foursome



**Registration Form**  
 Deadline: April 30, 2012

Make checks payable to "TUSD" and mail completed form to:  
 John Adams Elementary School, Attn: Kumi Smart  
 2121 238th Street, Torrance CA 90501

I would like to:  Play in the Audi Quattro Cup Tournament  Play in the Scramble Tournament  Donate item(s) for the raffle  
 (Foursome with handicap)

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

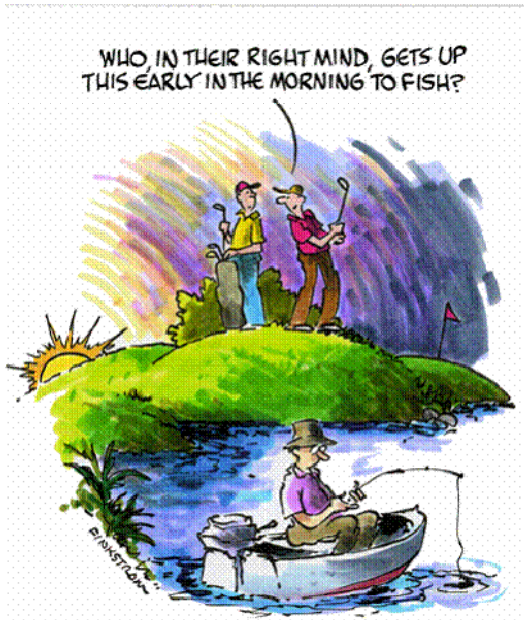
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd player
3rd player
4th player

## FUNNY PAGE - MORE GOLF

“Golf is like life in a lot of ways - All the biggest wounds are self-inflicted.” Former President Bill Clinton



## KIWANIS CLUB INFORMATION



### DIVISION 19 WEEKLY MEETINGS

#### TUESDAY

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

#### WEDNESDAY

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

#### THURSDAY

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

#### FRIDAY

<b>Hawthorne-</b> Nat's Airport Café, Hawthorne Airport .....	12:10 PM
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### 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.....	Michael Friedman 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 Pro



## CLUB INFORMATION

### CLUB OFFICER 2011-2012

President ..... Charlotte Melsh  
 First V.P. .... Jennifer Frew  
 Second V.P. .... Open  
 Treasurer..... Peter Issa  
 Secretary..... Kay Griffith  
 Foundation Treasurer..... Phil Cook  
 Immediate Past-Pres. .... Kevin Paul

### BOARD OF DIRECTOR

**2010-2012 TERM**  
 Michael Freidman  
 Laurie Love  
  
**2011-2013 TERM**  
 Christine Elia  
 Curtis Jones, Jr.  
 Carina Sokolich

### COMMITTEE CHAIR

Newsletter ..... Laurie Love/Tony Molino  
 Santa's Visit ..... Tony Goorchenko  
 Community Service..... Gayle CdeBaca  
 Inter-Club..... Michael Friedman  
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