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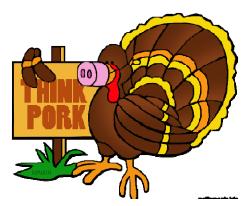
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### **NOVEMBER 20, 2012**

President: Jennifer Frew



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THIS WEEK'S MEETING: President Jennifer Frew opened the meeting. Kay Grundhaus led the Pledge of Allegiance and Michael Friedman had words of inspiration. Kelly More led the singing of "America the Beautiful." Late members were Dan Keeton and Christine Elia. Guests today were Michelle Freck from Miyako Hybrid Hotel, guest of LaShanda Maze and today's speaker Gwenn Vallone. Lisa McGinty won the 50/50 raffle and Charlotte Melsh won the card raffle but once again the Joker was not found. Our speaker brought raffle items to share and they were won by Lisa McGinty, Charlotte Melsh, Harvey Horwich, LaShanda Maze and Tony Goorchenko. Jennifer Frew reviewed last night's DCM which went very well. Thank you to all the Torrance Kiwanis members

that were present. We were able to collect many toys for the Toys for the Troops Kids and for disaster relief. Items are still being collected for both efforts. On December 11<sup>th</sup>, Torrance City Council will be recognizing the victorious Kiwanis softball team. Tony Goorchenko had a sign up for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Reminder that for the Santa's visit on December 18<sup>th</sup> you must have proof of a current TB test.

#### Please read the newsletter for other important announcements



**TODAY'S PROGRAM:** Gwenn Vallone – Pug Nation Rescue of Los Angeles: Pug Nation Rescue of Los Angeles is a non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue, care, and placement of abandoned, neglected, unwanted, displaced and abused Pugs. Their goal is to find every homeless Pug a forever home; if they cannot do that, they pledge to provide a comfortable and loving place for sick or unwanted Pugs to live out their lives. They are a no-kill facility and strive to make the lives of their Pugs better.

The organization is new, but many of the members have been rescuing Pugs for over 10 years. They are passionate and live by the motto of "One Pug at a Time" and feel that through their efforts they can change many of these forgotten Pug's lives. Gwenn is one of 7 board members.

They hold 3 adoption fairs per month as well as holding larger fundraising events twice per year. Their October fundraiser was called "Pugtacular" and included a costume contest. If you are interested in adopting it requires an application and a home check. The cost to adopt ranges from \$75.00 - \$400.00. These fees help with the cost of running the facility and medical costs that can run \$15,000/month.

Pug Nation would appreciate volunteers at their facility or at an event. You can also consider fostering a dog, donating or coming to one of their events. **Thank you Gwenn for your presentation and the work you do.** 



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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**



- ✓ December 8<sup>th</sup> –
- ✓ December 11<sup>th</sup> –
- ✓ December 15<sup>th</sup> –
- ✓ December 18<sup>th</sup> -
- ✓ December 26<sup>th</sup> -

Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Vons in Crossroads Torrance High School KIWIN'S Takeover

Western Museum of Flight Santa Visit & Car Show Our Annual Santa's visit to Harbor UCLA Medical Center, the Stork Club. Call Tony G for info

Div. 19 Rose Float Feeding

HAPPY © & SAD @ DOLLAR: Bob Abelson © Has to be on his best behavior because Santa Claus is in the house, Thanksgiving and having a couple of days off. Lisa Applegate-McGinty - @ Guests and Rutgers being ranked and USC is not. Christine Elia – © DCM and the ton of toys collected, Roula coming home today © Bob Ableson keeps trying to call me during the meeting and a late dollar. **Jennifer Frew** –. © Her 49ers stomped DA BEARS, speaker Gwenn, many cemeteries now have dogs because they are comforting, driving to Arizona after the meeting, DCM was a huge success with toys and items for Sandy, Charlotte and Kelly helping at the DCM, Roula going home, Happy and Safe Holiday to all, giving out her business card at the DCM after the comments by the UCLA fans. Michael Friedman - @ Speaker, he rescued a Bijon, Happy Thanksgiving. Tony Goorchenko- © DCM went well, John Hernandez winning the Daily Breeze Unsung Hero Recognition, Christine taking care of Vicki 3 John did not get the \$2500 for his award that he thought he was going to get. Kay Grundhaus - © A year ago they had the wild idea to adopt 2 puppies and they (Kay and Les) are getting trained, back for a trip up North in the RV and now going to Palm Springs. Dave Holper- © Speaker best friend has 3 pugs, they are great dogs, prize from the City & Rutgers could beat his BEARS. Harvey Horwich - @ Speaker and their good work, Santa Claus signing in. Curtis Jones Jr. - © Speaker, Happy Thanksgiving, last Wednesday spoke on the radio with a person in Japan. There are 1,000,000 radio operators in Japan and this turned out to be someone he spoke to on 9-10-11, unbelievable to talk to him again. Pastor Dan Keeton – ⊚ Enjoyed the DCM and time laughing in the bar but not drinking @ Cannot convince his daughter that there is a new animal called a turducken and a late dollar. Laurie Love - © Curtis taking notes for the last 3 weeks ⊗ USC loss. Ryoko Mand – ⊕ A great time at the DCM, speaker ⊕ email got hacked. LaShanda Maze – ⊕ Charlotte, Thanksgiving, guest with her, Gwenn and her pugs, just happy. Charlotte Melsh − ⊗ Left all her money at work. Kelly Moore - @ Guest speaker, has a little dog.

The Torrance Salvation Army and the advisory board, please consider volunteering your time and talent (or monetary contributions) towards supporting the Annual Thanksgiving meal. Primarily, we are asking you to forward this to anyone whom you feel is a shut-in, lives alone, has no local family or is a service person away from home that would enjoy a warm meal with "new friends".

If you wish to volunteer, the need is great, but the kitchen and hall are compact. so we cannot allow walk-ins (adult or SLP), prior confirmed sign-up is mandatory. Interested volunteers should contact Kathy Conklin to sign up at 310-370-4515 or email <a href="mailto:kathy.conklin@usw.salvationarmy.org">kathy.conklin@usw.salvationarmy.org</a>



The Salvation Army of Torrance
5th Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon for the Torrance Community

#### **FREE Thanksgiving Luncheon**

Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>
11:30 am to 1:30 pm
The Salvation Army Torrance Corps
4223 Emerald St., Torrance, CA 90503



Happy Thanksgiving





## TORRANCE KIWANIAN JOHN HERNANDEZ RECEIVES "UNSUNG HERO" AWARD



# Congratulates People of Distinction



John Hernandez Unsung Hero Winner

John helped runs the New Challenge Ministries, which was founded by his mentor, Rev. Mark Flick. Located in Torrance, the faith- based institution was designed to help men overcome problems related to drug and alcohol abuse. John then transformed the ministry into the Fresh Rescue Food Bank, which each month provides food to thousands of people in the community.

John serves our community and we are proud to say he is a Kiwanian.

## Congratulations to

JOHN HERNANDEZ
The Daily Breeze "Unsung Hero of the Year"

## **Kiwanis**



We are now collecting Toys for the Troop's Kids. Please start collecting now. If you need a donation box for your business please call Jennifer Frew at 310-521-4418 or e-mail: jfrew@ghmp.com

#### CAL-NEV-HA DISTRICT KIWANIS FOUNDATION



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 to www.cnhfoundation.org

#### KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION



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 <a href="https://www.kiwanis.org">www.kiwanis.org</a>

## **KIWANIS**

One can make a difference









KIWANIS FUNDRAISER FOR THE HOLIDAYS: To all Kiwanians, Anna's Spices will donate back 20% of all purchases to our Kiwanis Club. Simple go on line <a href="www.annasspices.com">www.annasspices.com</a> and place an order. Make sure to let them know that this is Kiwanis purchase and what club will receive the 20% of the purchase as a donation. Or you can fill out the order form below and send it. Any questions call Anna at 805-619-9986 or e-mail at <a href="mailto:anna@annasspices.com">anna@annasspices.com</a>

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#### **FUNNY PAGE**

#### TOP 10 THINGS YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT HOSTESS BAKERY FOODS

- 10. Deep Fried Twinkies at the County Fair are the number 1 seller.
- 9. Ho Ho's are little Devils Food Cakes, (Phil Cook's definition is wrong!)
- 8. Ding Dongs can be used as a hockey puck when frozen.
- 7. The Twinkie defense will no longer be available in murder cases.
- 6. Snowballs were invented by using deformed cupcakes Hostess could not sell.
- 5. President Bill Clinton put a Twinkie in a time capsule in 2000. It was a hostess Twinkie and not a White House intern as reported by Rush Limbaugh.
- 4. Rosanne Barr's Twinkie Diet will have to come to an end.
- 3. A recent survey shows that U.S. military Generals prefer Ho Ho's over Twinkies.
- 2. Twinkies become a household name after they advertised on the Howdy Doody Show.
- 1. Governor Christie had his state lower the flag to half-staff when Hostess closed.

#### IN MOURNING OF THE TWINKIE





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#### THE OBJECTS OF KIWANIS

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

#### **KIWANIS CLUB INFORMATION**



#### **DIVISION 19 WEEKLY MEETINGS**

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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-Community Center, Brown Bag Lunch.(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

#### FRIDA

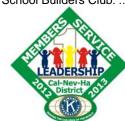
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#### TORRANCE KIWANIS SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

Richardson Middle School Builders Club. .....





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Second V.P. Carina Sokolich
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