

THE TALK OF TORRANCE

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TORRANCE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS EXPO

On October 23rd the TACC had their annual business expo at the Toyota USA Auto Museum in Torrance. The Torrance Kiwanis had a booth at the event to let the business community know about Kiwanis and our charitable activities.

In the photo are Torrance Kiwanians Peter Issa, Kay Grundhaus, Ryoko Mand, Tony Goorchenko and Carina Sokolich



TODAY'S MEETING: President Christine Elia opened today's meeting, Dave Holper led the Pledge of Allegiance, Tony Goorchenko had words of inspiration and Jennifer Frew chose "God Bless America" as today's song. Christine thanked Charlotte Melsh for hosting our meeting today at PV Bowl as the Sizzler is doing some upgrades to their banquet rooms. Today's guests were Erin Sooper, Torrance Police Department guest of Chuong Vo; and Kelsey Wright who met us at the Business Expo. Immediate Past President Jennifer Frew presented David Kuroda the Making a Difference Award for his support last year. Carina Sokolich was our only late member. Kelsey Wright won the card raffle and Jennifer Frew won the 50/50.

Please read our Newsletter for other important announcements



TODAY'S PROGRAM –Erin Sooper and Chuong Vo, Torrance Police Officers Association (TPOA)

The Torrance Police Officers Association (not the City of Torrance) has sponsored the Santa Float every year since 1969. The officers volunteer their time, provide the funding and organize the float's appearance on every residential street in Torrance. This year the float will begin its travels the Sunday after Thanksgiving and go up to the Sunday before Christmas. The Santa float is accompanied by 2 scout vehicles announcing Santa's arrival, 2 police escorts, a volunteer Santa, and 12 riders on the float to help coordinate at each stop. TPOA appreciates the extra support they receive from the Torrance City Yard where they store the float and have it cleaned each night and from Honda that provides the generator. This year TPOA has formed a Santa Float committee. The estimated cost for this incredible contribution to the residents of Torrance is \$7,000 - \$10,000 a year. TPOA will gladly accept donations to help fund Santa's visit to your neighborhood. This is one tradition that brings joy to all ages. It isn't Christmas until Santa makes his visit each year. **Thank you TPOA** for believing in the spirit of the season and making it bright.



Chuong Vo,
President of the Torrance
Police Officer Association and
Torrance Kiwanis Member

**Torrance Police Officers
Association Santa Float
- Donation Form -**



Individual/Business Name: _____

Contact Name _____

Address _____

City _____ *State* _____ *Zip* _____

Daytime Phone Number _____

FAX _____ *Email* _____

Amount Donated: \$ _____

You may mail this form to:
The Torrance Police Officers Association
22945 Arlington Avenue
Torrance, CA 90501
(310) 325-8762
Tax I.D.# 95-6123133

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- ✓ **November 3rd** - Lomita Harbor City Kiwanis **Pancake Breakfast**. November 3rd, 7:00 – Noon.
- ✓ **November 9th** – Key Club Fall Rally, Magic Mountain, Chaperons needed!
- ✓ **November 13th**- KIWIN'S Fall Rally, Knott's Berry Farm, Chaperons needed!
- ✓ **November 18th** – Division Council Meeting - Toys for the Troops Kids, Torrance host club
- ✓ **November 19th** – Counseling4Kids Toy Drive, bring toys to our lunch meeting (*see page 4 of newsletter*)
- ✓ **November 19th** – Torrance High KIWIN'S Takeover
- ✓ **December 7th** – Rose Queen Dinner, Pasadena Tournament House
- ✓ **December 7th** – Salvation Army Bell Ringing, for info see Tony Goorchenko
- ✓ **December 10th** – West High Key Club Takeover
- ✓ **December 14th** – Western Museum of Flight Santa's visit at PV Bowl
- ✓ **December 26th** – Rose Float Volunteer Feeding
- ✓ **January 21st** – South High KIWIN'S Takeover



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Toys 4 the Troop Kids and the November Division Council Meeting are coming up. Volunteers are needed to help sell raffle tickets, do the sign in and help with the toys. Please contact Christine.
- Volunteers are needed for the Rose Float Volunteer feeding on December 26th. A sign up will be distributed at the next meeting.

HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS: **Gayle CdeBaca** –☺ Santa float, the lazy cop comment made her laugh because her bathroom remodel has been going on for 6 months, Charlotte for hosting. **Christine Elia** – ☺ Jennifer's back, Santa's visit brings joy to the kids and parents, Charlotte. **Jennifer Frew** – ☺ Charlotte, TPOA and their presentation, to see everyone, her event was a huge success with 1000 people and 130 runners, knee surgery went well. **Michael Friedman** –☺ No fish \$ today, Sunday was his anniversary ☹ buried his sister also on Sunday. **Eric Harris** – ☺ May join, remodeling his building. **Dave Holper**– ☺ TPOA, upcoming trip to Myrtle Beach. **Peter Issa** – ☺ Presentation, hope TPOA gets the support \$, Charlotte. **David Kuroda** – ☺ Excellent presentation, brings hope and magic, Jennifer's award, the 3 ways men are like Santa 1) They believe in Santa 2) They are Santa and 3) They look like Santa. **Laurie Love** – ☺ Charlotte, TPOA. **Steven Makshanoff** – ☺ Charlotte, delicious food today, all the good activities coming in November and December. **Ryoko Mand** – ☺ Charlotte, the presentation, son still loves it when Santa comes. **Charlotte Melsh** – ☺ Chuong, Santa visit was her kids highlight when they were young, having us at PV Bowl today, Jennifer is back. **Carina Sokolich** – ☺ TPOA and our guests. **Chuong Vo** – ☺ Listening to us, seeing Jennifer healthy, Charlotte. **Kelsey Wright** - ☺ Super-duper Santa project, makes her happy.

Counseling4Kids GIFTS4KIDS

This year, close to 20,000 children in Los Angeles County will spend the holiday season in foster care, away from family and friends.

Donating a gift is one way you can help a child in foster care feel loved.

Drop Off Locations:

Counseling4Kids (Burbank Office) **Counseling4Kids (Torrance Office)**
601 S. Glenoaks Boulevard Suite 200 19701 Hamilton Avenue Suite 160
Burbank, CA 91502 Torrance, CA 90502

Beginning November 18 through December 16,
or make a donation at www.Counseling4Kids.org

GIFT IDEAS:

Sports Balls! Gift Cards for Teens!
Soft Dolls! Toy Cars!
Art Supplies!



Want to plan your own gift drive benefitting C4K ?

Contact Lisa@Counseling4Kids.org (818) 333-8284 to arrange pick-up.

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

TORRANCE KIWANIS TOY DRIVE

We will collect toys at our November 19th lunch meeting. Please look at the wish list and donate a few toys to a make these children in Foster Care know that we care.

Counseling4Kids is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that provides effective mental health services to abused and neglected children and youth in the foster care system throughout Los Angeles County. All donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law: EIN # 95-4628412. www.counseling4kids.org

Counseling4Kids

Gifts4Kids Wish List 2013

- Gift cards for teens (Target, Amazon, Starbucks)
- Sports equipment
- University/college clothing
- Art supplies
- Journals
- Hair accessories
- Jewelry
- Lap desks
- Headphones
- Sports jerseys (LA teams)
- Books (Hunger Games, Twilight etc.)
- Beauty and hygiene items
- Make-up brushes
- Skin care products
- "Macy's Boxes" (hoodies, popcorn, etc.)
- Picture frame making kits
- Disposable cameras and albums
- Digital cameras
- Harmonicas
- Board games/travel board games
- Bop-it toys
- Card games
- Cropped sweatpants for girls
- Leggings
- Nail polish and mani/pedi kits
- Sunglasses
- Scarves, hats
- Watches
- Datebooks/planners
- Lego sets
- Wallets
- Purses/bags/backpacks
- Messenger bags
- Elite sport socks
- Shoes: crocs/sketchers
- Soft dolls
- Toy cars

THANK YOU KIWANIANIS

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 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 our 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 Members are
Ordinary people performing
EXTRAORDINARY WORK



AROUND TOWN EVENTS

THE RICHARD SHERMAN TRIO

Rolling Hills Estate Kiwanian Richard Sherman and his Trio will be at the Holiday Inn – Ginger Café, every Thursday from 6 pm to 9 pm. They are also at Terranea Resort in Rancho Palos Verdes November 2nd, 16th, 30th, December 14th and 28th from 7 pm to 11 pm. If you have not seen Richard and his Jazz trio you are missing some of the best live jazz you will ever hear.

For more info contact Richard Sherman 310-378-5813 – shermanpianoman@socal.rr.com



Richard Sherman



KIWANIS CLUB OF LOMITA-HARBOR CITY

INVITES YOU AND YOUR WHOLE FAMILY

ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2013

7 am - Noon

Kiwanis Scout Hall
24822 Narbonne Ave, Lomita



Join us for a delicious breakfast of:

PANCAKES ~ SAUSAGE ~ SCRAMBLED EGGS ~ COFFEE ~ TEA ~ ORANGE JUICE

ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

"KID PRINT", MAGIC SHOW, BALLOONS, MUSIC, KIDDIE JUMPER, GIFTS, PRIZE DRAWINGS AND MORE!

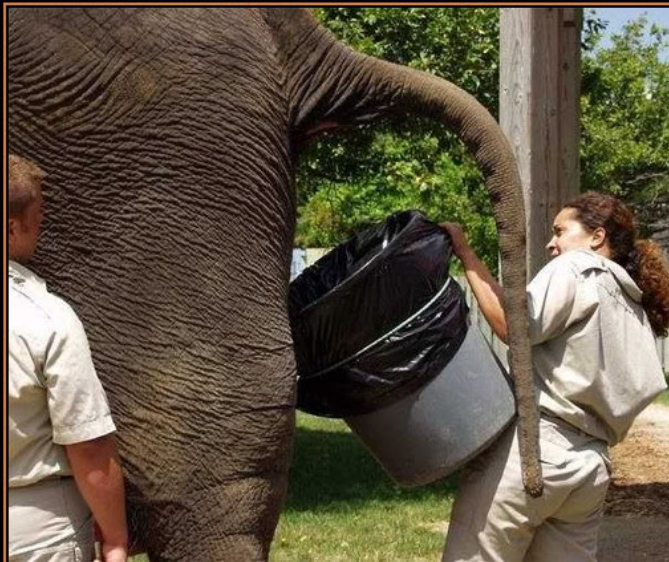
DONATION: \$5 (children 5 & under Free)

For Tickets see Steve or Gladys Makshanoff

FUNNY PAGE

TOP 10 SIGNS YOUR BOSS IS LOSING IT

10. Gives everyone Friday off if they're willing to work Saturday and Sunday.
9. New company policy: Make a typo, do a shot.
8. "If a shutdown is good enough for the U.S. government, it's good enough for us!"
7. This year's team-building exercise? Gator rasslin'!
6. He's lying in the fetal position, repeatedly muttering "Glitches, there were bound to be a few glitches...."
5. Claims right of droit du seigneur with all the new secretaries.
4. Invites the staff to lunch and then serves everything he can find in the break room refrigerator.
3. Enjoys her caviar and truffles in the break room, to "see how the commoners do it."
2. Insists all requests for vacation days be submitted via PowerPoint presentation.
1. **The new health plan: "Everyone convert to Christian Scientist or you're fired."**



YOUR JOB

DOESN'T LOOK SO BAD NOW, DOES IT?

Sometimes I get so bored at work that I actually think about doing some work.



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/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 Police Officers Association
- ♥ Torrance YMCA
- ♥ Young Children Immunization Program

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- 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

FRIDAY

Hawthorne- Western Credit Union, 14500 Aviation Blvd. ...	12:10 PM
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INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT OFFICERS 2013-2014

International President	Gunter Gasser
CAL-NEV-HA District Governor	Rae Whitby Brummer
CAL-NEV-HA- District Governor Elect	Alan Guire
Division 19 Lt. Governor	Laurie Love
Division 19 Lt. Gov. Elect.....	Alan Quon
Region 8 Trustee.....	Joni Ackerman

TORRANCE KIWANIS SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

North High Key Club..... Weekly Meeting - Fridays at Noon

South High KIWIN'S

Torrance High KIWIN'S.....Weekly Meeting -Friday at Noon

West High Key Club..... Weekly Meeting – Friday at Noon

Bishop Montgomery High Key Club Weekly meeting -

Richardson Middle School Builders Club.



CLUB INFORMATION

CLUB OFFICER 2013 - 2014

President Christine Elia
 First V.P. Carina Sokolich
 Second V.P. Steve Makshanoff
 Treasurer..... Peter Issa
 Secretary..... Ryoko Mand
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 Immediate Past-Pres. Jennifer Frew

BOARD OF DIRECTOR

2012-2014 TERM

Kay Griffith
 Curtis Jones, Jr.
 Eric Harris

2013-2015 TERM

Charlotte Melsh
 Laurie Love

COMMITTEE CHAIR

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 Santa's Visit Tony Goorchenko
 Texas Hold'em..... Gayle CdeBaca
 Inter-Club..... Steve Makshanoff
 Membership..... Kay Grundhaus
 Toys for the Troops Kids..... Jennifer Frew
 Club Promotion..... Dave Holper
 TACC Business Expo Carina Sokolich
 Relay for Life.... Charlotte Melsh/Kay Griffith
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♦ Past Lt. Governor/Past Club President, *Past President, + Life Member, H Honorary, () Member's Spouse

Torrance Kiwanis meet every Tuesday for Lunch at the Sizzler Restaurant, 2880 Sepulveda Blvd. Torrance California, 90505. For more information about our club and membership please call:

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