

THE TALK OF TORRANCE

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TODAY'S MEETING: President Christine Elia opened today's meeting, Curtis Jones, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance, Tony Goorchenko had words of inspiration and Ryoko Mand was our song leader with "You're in Kiwanis Now". "God Bless America" as today's song. Tony Molino was our only late member, blamed in on traffic again. Charlotte Melsh won the card raffle, but no Joker and Neslie Akkol won the 50/50.

Please read our Newsletter for other important announcements

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- ✓ **November 9th** – Key Club Fall Rally, Magic Mountain, Chaperons needed!
- ✓ **November 13th**- KIWIN'S Fall Rally, Knott's Berry Farm, Chaperons needed!
- ✓ **November 18th** – DCM - Toys for the Troops Kids collection
- ✓ **November 19th** – Counseling4Kids Toy Drive, bring toys to our meeting
- ✓ **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



Neslie Akkol was inducted by Past LTG Tony Molino and had her Kiwanis Pin placed on her by Gayle CdeBaca. Neslie is the marketing director at Coupling 4 Kids. They service the 600+ children in the LA Foster Care system. Neslie is from Turkey. She came to the U.S. for school. She obtained her Master's degree. She became a U.S. Citizen 5 years ago. Please welcome Neslie to our Kiwanis Family

HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS: **Bob Abelson** - ☺ Curtis Jones Jr. back and he was able to vote in the RHE election. **Gayle CdeBaca** –☺ LAX law enforcement did a great job last week and her husband was safe. Thank you for all those who called. **Christine Elia** – ☺ for our guest speaker. **Michael Friedman** – ☺. **Tony Goorchenko** – ☺ that Judy Giss, wife of Manhattan Beach Kiwanian Rabbi Ken passed away. **Kay Griffith** – ☺ to be back and the speaker. **Kay Grundhaus** – ☺ that her family is doing great. **Curtis Jones Jr.** – ☺ to be back, our new member Neslie, son is doing great with his hip replacement, but ☺ his mother is in Hospice. **Nadine Koerner** – ☺ for our speaker. **Ryoko Mand** – ☺ speaker and she is going to Key Club Fall Rally. **Charlotte Melsh** – ☺ great to see Curtis Back and her doctor said her heart is doing good. **Tony Molino** – ☺ Speaker ask what was the bravest moment in your life and he said "Getting married a second time". **Neslie Akkol** – ☺ to be a part of Kiwanis. **Nely Go** - ☺ to speak to us today.



Michael Friedman and Nadine Koerner, Kay Griffith & Charlotte Melsh



Nely Go with President Christine Elia

TODAY'S PROGRAM – Nely Go is a Spiritual Director. She has been an advisor and teacher for 30 years. She said that the letters of Kiwanis stand for Kindness, Interesting, Wisdom, Admirable, Neat, Invigorating, and Service. She looks at a person's physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual aspects of the person's life. She does make-overs with products from Avon and she sells Alkaline Water Filters which can help in weight loss and cholesterol. She has people analyze themselves if they are social, competitive, cautious thinkers, and good parents. She had the club go through exercises such as thinking about the bravest thing we had ever done in our lives. Another exercise was to imagine a favorite place with someone you trusted. Think about the unconditional love and grateful place. Think about what was said and done. Then think about the least grateful event. What was difficult? One cannot change the event, but let God fill the experience with love. Nely is on Facebook. She is in an organization, Call to Holiness. Her mission is to help people working on their spiritual lives.

NEXT WEEKS SPEAKER: Alex Moreno Areyan who is a writer and historian. Alex has written 3 books on the Mexican American experience in Southern California.



Please donate unwrapped toys for children of our armed forces deployed during the Holiday Season. Our club will be collection Toys at the November 18th Division Council Meeting

All of the collected toys will be delivered by the Kiwanis Club of Torrance to Military Bases in Southern California



For more information regarding this project contact Torrance Kiwanis member Jennifer Frew 310-521-4418



Ryoko Mand for being co-editor of our newsletter this week.



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



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 KIWANIANs



Champions for Children, an annual sustaining donor program, enables our donors to partner with the Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation in investing in our Kiwanis Family, distributing thousands of dollars each year throughout the District, allowing us together meet the needs of children in our shared communities.

The Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation has long supported the clubs in our District to improve their impact in communities by providing generous club, multi-club and division grants. The Foundation continues to build better futures for our children by providing Pediatric Trauma Prevention grants to our Kiwanis and SLP clubs and through innovative programs like the Partner Hospital Program. And for more than thirty years, our Foundation has championed the next generation of Kiwanis leadership through their support of our Service Leadership Programs, the Kenneth C. Ferror Scholarship Fund and most recently, Key Leader Scholarships. These programs would not be possible without the support of our donors. For more info go to www.cnhfoundation.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



Kiwanis Members are
Ordinary people performing
EXTRAORDINARY WORK



FUNNY PAGE

2013 TOP 10 CELEBRITY HALLOWEEN TREATS FOR TRICK-OR-TREATERS

10. Lance Armstrong: syringes and pill bottles "that somebody left at my house"
9. Ruth Madoff: appears to place candy bar in bag while actually removing two
8. Adam Sandler: a movie theater gift certificate and a heartfelt letter of apology for "Jack and Jill"
7. Tim Burton: a chance to star in his off the wall movie (for Johnny Depp only)
6. Governor Chris Christie: a nice supply of empty candy wrappers and an apology
5. Snoop Dogg: a dime bag, a large bag of Doritos and... and... what was the question?
4. Dolly Parton: Mounds
3. Joan & Melissa Rivers: a scathing critique of your Halloween costume.
2. Paula Dean: buttered apologies with buttered tears
1. **Kathleen Sebelius: a voucher to come back in a month for a real treat!**

WORST HALLOWEEN PET COSTUMES 2013



The iPUG



UNDER DOG

LOBSTER KITTY



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
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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

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2012-2014 TERM

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 Curtis Jones, Jr.
 Eric Harris

2013-2015 TERM

Charlotte Melsh
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 Texas Hold'em..... Gayle CdeBaca
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 Toys for the Troops Kids..... Jennifer Frew
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