

## THE TALK OF TORRANCE

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## TEXAS HOLD 'EM

THIS SUNDAY

**Charity Poker Tournament**

All Proceeds go to the Torrance Kiwanis Foundation, a 501(c)(3) Charity

**SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2014**

11:30 Lunch ♦ 12:15 PM Practice Play ♣ 1:00 PM Sharp Tournament Starts

♥ \$100 Per Player (Pre-Sale) ♠ \$125 Per Player (at the door)



New Tournament Location

**SAMBA**

**Brazilian Steak House**  
207 N. Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach CA 90277

**SALE YOUR  
TICKETS NOW!**

For more information or to purchase tickets please contact Laurie Love  
310-729-3676 or by e-mail: laurielove@socal.rr.com

**If you do not want play but join us for lunch the cost is \$30**



**TEXAS HOLD 'EM FUNDRAISER** Final push for Texas Hold Em! Please contact Laurie Love with any additional ticket sales. Please wear your Kiwanis shirt and name bag on Sunday. We will be setting up at 10:00 and will need help during the event.

**TODAY'S MEETING:** President Christine Elia opened the meeting, Bob Abelson led the Pledge of Allegiance, Michael Friedman provided an inspiration, and Steve Makshanoff chose "You're in Kiwanis Now" as our song. Late members were Dave Holper and Eric Harris. 🎵 Happy Birthday wishes were sung to Steve Makshanoff. 🎵 We welcomed guest John "Hans" Baumgaertner for his second visit. He was also today's speaker. Tony Goorchenko reminded us that there is a DCM next Monday. The two candidates for Governor – Elect will be there to share their platforms and we will also be having our Division election for LTG and LTG- Elect. Dave Holper won the 50/50 raffle and Tony Goorchenko won the card raffle but did not find the Joker.

Please read the newsletter for other important announcements.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- ✓ May 17<sup>th</sup> – Armed Forces Day Parade.
- ✓ May 18<sup>th</sup> – Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, Annual Fund Raiser
- ✓ May 20<sup>th</sup> – Meeting Program is Carter Calhoun from Toberman Neighborhood Center
- ✓ June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Meeting Program is Helen Dolas from Arts and Services for the Disabled.
- ✓ June 28<sup>th</sup> – Rhythms of Nature at the Madrona Marsh

(Italics – meeting information, non-italics other activities)



John "Hans" Baumgaertner with Christine Elia

**TODAY'S SPEAKER:** John "Han" Baumgaertner, Alpine Village Center Advertising and Promotion Manager. Alpine Village was opened in 1968 by German immigrants. It is a beautiful facility that features a wide variety of events. In the month of May you can see a Beastie Boys Tribute, The Beatles Concert Experience, Hollywood Stones – Rolling Stones Tribute, the Bits & Pieces Band, take Salsa Lessons, attend Latin Night or Club Berlin. World Cup viewing will be taking place for every game and they welcome you to come and cheer on your favorite teams. They



are well known for their Oktoberfest and this year are planning a kick-off event for charity groups on the first night, September 12<sup>th</sup>. Alpine Village is a special place to visit. It has a German Restaurant, a German market, and of course German beers and chocolates. The large village also has a clothing store, German toys, magazines, a playground and a chapel. The last four years they have been making an effort to connect with the community. They would love to work with us on a fundraiser and host one of our meetings. Their recent outreach has included the Aids Walk, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, The Revlon Walk/Run, Big 10 Alumni, American Cancer Society, and the YMCA. Hans was proud of their recent event, "A Tribute to Education" for Harbor City. Hans is a very interesting person and presenter. He was a German foreign exchange student in high school and is fluent in German. He is also fluent in Spanish and can converse in Portuguese and Japanese.

Thank you for the great presentation and the German chocolate for all in attendance



172 Days until Oktoberfest

**HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS:** **Bob Abelson**– ☺ Son and grandson are staying with them while they look for an apartment ☺ hate this weather. **Gayle CdeBaca**– ☺ Mother's Day, went to CA Adventure, Hans/John great presentation. **Christine Elia** – ☺ Sophia's performance, Hans, happy belated Mother's Day. **Michael Friedman** – ☺ Just happy. **Tony Goorchenko** – ☺ Went to give his dog some water and when he turned on the hose nothing came out, is worried that he will be without water for a while. **Kay Griffith**– ☺ Presentation was entertaining and inspiring, life is good, finally got LA County to agree that she could not have gotten 2 tickets for the same thing at the same time, gave a bunch of clothes to John and mistakenly gave away one of her tennis shoes but Ryoko returned it today. **Kay Grundhaus** – ☺ Presentation today, video ☺ put 2 things on Craig's list and has gotten scammed. **Eric Harris** – ☺ To be here. **Milton Herring**– ☺ Laurie and Steve hosting a meet and greet, thank you to those who attended, all the mothers, happy belated Mother's Day, endorsement by the Daily Breeze. **Dave Holper** – ☺ Event Sunday will go well ☺ late dollar, Kay doesn't know enough cops. **Nadine Koerner** – ☺ Presentation. **Laurie Love**– ☺ Hopeful for Texas Hold Em. **Steve Makshanoff** – ☺ Great presentation, birthday song, hope to do something with Alpine Village. **Ryoko Mand**– ☺ Hans, finishing her classes at El Camino, final tonight and tomorrow. **Charlotte Melsh** – ☺ Steve joining my decade, Hans, learned a lot, Neslie had a great event last night she did an excellent job. **Tony Molino**– ☺ Sophia's performances in Peter Pan playing Captain Hook.



Michael Friedman, Kay Griffith, Milton Herring

### KIWANIANS AROUND TOWN:



PHOTO ON LEFT:

**Sophia Molino as Capt. Hook:** Sophia played Captain Hook in the Fantasia Family Music Production of Peter Pan Jr., the Musical in Redondo Beach last week. Several Kiwanians and family members came out to see her performance.

Thank you for your support



Torrance Kiwanian Jennifer Frew invites everyone to the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Day Service at Green Hills Memorial Park. This year will be the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Day Observance, on Monday, May 26, 2014. They will continue to honor our fallen soldiers with a special Memorial Day weekend event that will draw over 15,000 visitors to the park. Jennifer states that Green Hills is privileged to host California's largest Memorial Day service, the service will start at 10 AM. Free parking and bus shuttle service available from: Rolling Hills Covenant Church.

For more information call Jennifer 310-521-4418





John Brummer  
2013-14 CNH District  
First Gentleman

**FOCUS ON THE (Kiwanis) FAMILY:** Do you remember a special moment mentoring a Key Club member? That heart-warming Aktion club project? The excitement of a Circle K convention? Watching with amazement as a K-Kids or Builder's Club president leads his or her first meeting? Have you experienced a Key Leader camp? These are just a few reasons why the First Gentleman's Focus for 2013-14 will be "Our Kiwanis Family." In the 30 years I have been a member of our great organization, I have had the opportunity to volunteer with and observe the growth of our Service Leadership Program members. The Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation builds better futures for our children. Did you know that for more than 30 years the next generation of Kiwanis leadership has been supported by our own District Foundation? This support includes: Service Leadership Program (SLP) grants, SLP leadership training support for Key Club and Circle K board members, and the Kenneth C. Ferror Scholarship Fund. The Foundation also provides support of our annual Aktion Club District Convention, and scholarships for attendance at Key Leader camps.

You ask, "How can I help?" The answer is simple: Individuals who wish to donate \$5 will receive a 2013-14 First Gentleman's Focus Commemorative Pin. Club donations of \$150 or more will receive the 2013-14 First Gentleman's Focus Banner Patch. The proceeds directly benefit the programs of the Foundation including Key Leader scholarships and SLP Leadership Training. You can also help support the Foundation by becoming a "Champion for Children" with a regular monthly donation. Your donation to the Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation & the First Gentleman's Focus will enable our Kiwanis family to meet the needs of children in our shared communities. Your partnership creates opportunities and provides the pathway to a brighter future for those we serve.

Thank you! I look forward to serving as your First Gentleman



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



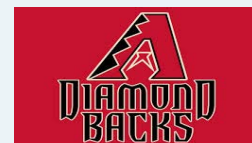
## **SBBA** South Bay *founded 1953* Bar Association



Join us for the Annual SBBA

### Los Angeles Dodgers

vs.



### Arizona Diamondbacks

## Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014

*Dodger Stadium*

- ◆ *Luxury Bus Leaves Torrance Court House at 5:15 p.m.*
- ◆ *Refreshments and snacks will be provided on the bus*
- ◆ *Great seats for the game*
- ◆ *Everyone invited, Members, fans, kid and kids at heart*
- ◆ *\$75 per person, includes game ticket & bus transportation*

Call the SBBA today to reserve your seat (310) 325-4200

Payments can be made through our secure website [www.southbaybar.org](http://www.southbaybar.org)

Refreshments & Snacks Sponsored by Jennifer Frew-Dodger Fan

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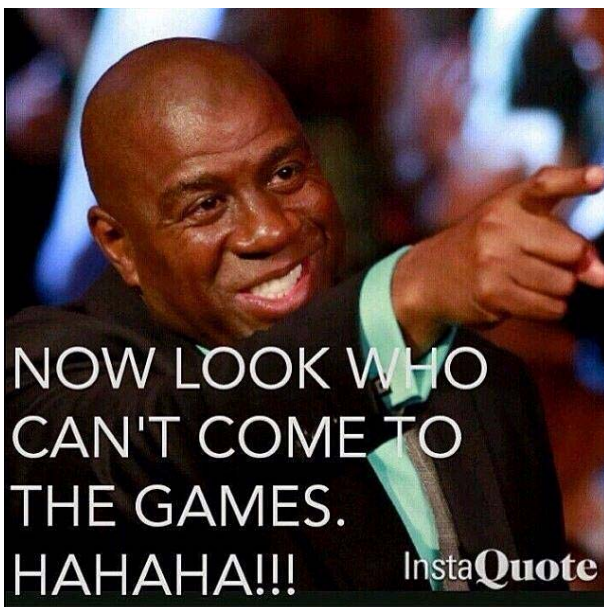
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## FUNNY PAGE

### TOP 10 MOVIES ABOUT THE DONALD STERLING SCANDAL

10. The Great Racist
9. All White on the Western Front
8. Scumbag Billionaire
7. L.A. Not-So-Confidential
6. Dumbass Bias Club
5. A Ban For All Seasons
4. Silver Finings Playbook
3. V. Stiviano For Vendetta
2. Gone With The Windbag
1. White Men Can't Jump (To Ignorant Conclusions About Minorities)



## 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

<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 (1st & 3rd Wed. Only) .....	12:10 PM
<b>Hermosa Beach</b> - 2515 Valley Drive Hermosa Bch. ....	12:10 PM
<b>Lawndale</b> -Community Center, Brown Bag Lunch.(1st & 3rd 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> - 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 .....	Weekly Meeting -Friday at Noon
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 – Wednesday 11:50 AM
Richardson Middle School Builders Club. ...	Weekly Meeting – Tuesday 3:00 PM



## 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  
 Foundation Treasurer..... Phil Cook  
 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

Newsletter ..... Laurie Love/Tony Molino  
 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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