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TODAY'S MEETING: President Carina Sokolich opened today's meeting, Lisa McGinty led the Pledge of Allegiance Brad Lyon chose "God Bless America" as our song and John Hernandez provided the invocation. Late members were Kay Griffith and Peter Issa. Cheryl Moore was a guest of John Hernandez and Chuong Vo joined us. President Carina presented Craig Shiosaki with our donation for the Torrance Police Officers Association (TPOA). Thursday Kiwanis members will be joining Santa and the TPOA as Santa greets the children in Southeast Torrance. If you did not bring your See's candy order with you, please get it to Carina no later than this Friday. Raffle: Peter Issa ☺ found the joker and won \$75. 50/50: Chuong Vo gave his winnings to the Foundation.



Birthday Boy Peter Issa with Chuong Vo

Please read the newsletter for other important announcements.

COME SUPPORT OUR TORRANCE KIWANIS FUNDRAISER

TODAY
ONLY

Wednesday, December 3, 2014



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15% of your purchase proceeds* will be donated to the Torrance Kiwanis Foundation. You must present the flyer that is attached to this newsletter to the cashier or server when you place your order. For more information see attached flyer or contact King's Hawaiian manager Amy Webb 310-530-0050 and ask about the Kiwanis Hukilau Fundraiser

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President Carina presented Craig Shiosaki with our donation for the TPOA

HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS: Lisa Applegate ☺ John's presentation and Thanksgiving. Gayle CdeBaca ☺ for John presentation, Chuong, Santa float ☹ didn't shake everyone's hand. Jennifer Frew ☺ John asking about her mom's health, rain, Chuong, Santa float, Green Hill's snow festival this Sunday. Tony Goorchenko ☹ phone died. Kay Griffith ☺ for John presentation, ☹ didn't shake everyone's hand, late. Kay Grundhaus ☺ getting coats for John, friend will be Santa. John Hernandez ☺ blessed for knowing everyone and their friendship. Dave Holper ☺ John, Carina taking care of the tickets. Peter Issa ☺ John, his birthday, Thanksgiving, rain, being here. Curtis Jones, Jr. ☺ John as our speaker, Cheryl



Guest Cheryl Moore

,our guest, Thanksgiving, brother's visit. David Kuroda ☺ for John as our speaker and club member. Dr. Laurie Love ☺ USC over Notre Dame. Brad Lyon ☺ John service all the activities this month with Kiwanis. Steve Makshanoff ☺ John service and Cheryl, our guest, USC over Notre Dame, active month with Kiwanis. Ryoko Mand ☺ John, her son not getting hurt in a car accident. Craig Shiosaki ☺ for John and USC over Notre Dame. Carina Sokolich ☺ for John and his work in our community. Chuong Vo ☺ John, UCLA over USC, running for City Council in Cerritos. Cheryl Moore ☺ Kiwanis and for John's work.

☺ Kay Griffith & Carina Sokolich



Pastor John began his presentation with this poem:

Good, better, best
Never let it rest
Until your good is better
And your better is best.

Tim Duncan

TODAY'S PROGRAM: John Hernandez, President and Senior Pastor New Challenge Ministries:

In 1979, Pastor John came to Southern California from the Flathead Indian Reservation located in Western Montana. John is proud to share that he is almost 3/4 Native American. John explained how he became involved with Kiwanis. He was invited to a meeting and initially asked "Will I have to wear a hat?" Learning that he did not and being sponsored by the Honorable Judge Aranda was the start of his membership. His involvement with Kiwanis is lengthy. In 2006, he became the advisor for the NHS Key Club following Donna Duperron. He is happy that Ryoko Mand has been helping him for the last 3 years. One of his special moments at NHS was when a student nominated him for the PTA Honorary Service Award that he received. John says that the student's letter touched his heart. In 2010, John accepted the duties of the Division 19 newsletter serving as editor and publisher. He appreciates Tony Goorchenko's assistance. And in 2010, he began serving as the Spiritual Aims Chairperson for the Division.

New Challenge Ministries (NCM) got its start in 1981 in Torrance and conventional wisdom said it would not last. 34 years later they are still going strong. In 1984 John was ordained in the Assembly of God. People are surprised to learn that NCM is a program not a church and their success rate is over 80%. NCM began their food bank in 2006 in response to the overwhelming number of hungry people living in this country and in our community. NCM provides food for 400 to 500 families per month and they are open 6 days a week. Their generous large box of food is unique in that it consists of fresh produce, eggs, and milk. NCM Thanksgiving Diner Giveaway was a huge success. They fed over 1200 individuals and 25 of the families were local military.

John works hard and passionately with New Challenge Ministries because he remembers past memories of being hungry, not getting Christmas presents, and feeling suicidal because there is no hope. He helps other organizations that work with abused women and suicide prevention.

If you would like to learn more about NCM, please visit www.newchallengeministries.com



We are still collecting Toys!

The Torrance Kiwanis Club will again be a part of this great effort to acknowledge the dedication and service of parents serving in uniform. Toys for the Troops' Kids Toy Drive benefits units of the National Guard, Air Force, Army Marine Corps and Navy. The overall goal of Toys for the Troops' Kids is to provide two toys per child of every military parent deployed overseas. With your help, donating new unwrapped toys for children ages 0-16, will give children of deployed parents overseas a happy holiday season.



Contact Jennifer Frew (310) 938-6997
or at jfrew@ghmp.com with any questions



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- ✓ December 3rd – Eat at King's Hawaiian for Kiwanis
- ✓ December 4th – Kiwanis rides the TPOA Santa's sleigh
- ✓ December 5th – See's Candy Orders Must be turned in
- ✓ December 6th - Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- ✓ *December 9th – DeDe Hicks from the Volunteer Center*
- ✓ December 10 & 11th – Barnes & Nobel Gift Wrapping (4 -8 pm)
- ✓ *December 16th – Torrance HS KIWIN'S takeover.*
- ✓ *December 16th – Santa Visit to UCLA Harbor General Hospital*
- ✓ *February 3rd North HS Key Club Takeover Meeting*
- ✓ *March 3rd - West HS Key Club Takeover Meeting*
- ✓ *March 19th – Celebration of Community Luncheon*

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

KIWANIS CLUB OF TORRANCE

See's CANDIES®

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We will need team effort on this to be a great success! Who doesn't want a delicious See's candy for Christmas? We are asking all members to take an order form and sell candy to family, friends and co-workers. All proceeds will go to our Torrance Kiwanis Foundation and help fund our scholarships and other charities. If you did not get your order forms we can e-mail a copy. For more information please call or e-mail President Carina Sokolich.

310-908-8638
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All orders are due on or before **DECEMBER 5th**

KIWANIS CLUB OF TORRANCE ANNUAL SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

December 6th
8:00 am to 6:00 PM



Please join the Torrance Kiwanis Club and their Key Club and KIWIN'S for our Annual Bell Ringing at the Von's Market in the Crossroads Shopping Center in Torrance. Last year we raised several hundreds of dollars to help feed those in need during the holiday season.

To sign up for a 2 hour time slot please call or e-mail Tony Goorchenko Thank you for your service

Tony Goorchenko: Cell- 310-387-9799 or
e-mail: tonygoorchenko@yahoo.com

UPCOMING EVENTS



Adopt
a Family for Christmas!

Help New Challenge Ministries Food Bank this Christmas by adopting a family to brighten their Christmas



For more information about the Adopt a Family Program please contact Pastor John Hernandez 310-320-4171 or e-mail newchallengetorrance@gmail.com

www.newchallengeministries.com

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New Challenge Ministries

November Wish List

- Diapers
- Soups
- Chicken Broth
- Pumpkin Pie Mix
- Muffin or Corn Bread Mix
- Cans of Vegetables
- Cranberry Sauce
- Stuffing Mix
- Sweet Potatoes or Yams
- Evaporated Milk
- Cans of Fruit
- Boxed Pie Crust
- Dried Mashed Potatoes
- Jars of Gravy
- Unwrapped Toys

Please bring Tuesday, December 23th



NEW CHALLENGE MINISTRIES WARM CLOTHING DRIVE

On the last Tuesday of the month we support Pastor John and bring items on his wish list to our meeting. Now that winter is here they need jackets, coats, socks, sweaters, sweatshirts and blankets. Please bring these warm clothing items to any meeting this month. Thank you.



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.

Last year, Kiwanians donated really nice toys for our children which were much appreciated by the kids and their families

Counseling4Kids (Burbank Office)
601 S. Glenoaks Boulevard Suite 200
Burbank, CA 91502

Counseling4Kids (Torrance Office)
19701 Hamilton Avenue Suite 160
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!

For more information contact Neslie Akkol
neslie@counseling4kids.org or 909-708-9669



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

LEADERSHIP TORRANCE IS LOOKING FOR KIWANIANs



Leadership Torrance is a community organization focused on developing effective leaders from across the South Bay. Sponsored by the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce, it provides opportunities for emerging leaders to take an active role towards building a stronger community. Leadership Torrance was envisioned as a way to create visibility for emerging leaders. The mission of the Leadership Torrance program is to develop effective leaders by encouraging community connections through partnerships with City officials and local businesses.

For more info how you can get involved contact Jonathan Beutler 310- 222-9107, e-mail jonathan.beutler@sunrider.com or go on line <http://torrancechamber.org/leadership-torrance>

TORRANCE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SANTA SLEIGH PROJECT



On December 4th the Torrance Kiwanis Club members will work the TPOA Santa's Sleigh. We need 16 volunteers to be Santa's helper and bring the Holiday Spirit to the children in Torrance. If you would like to be a volunteer please contact Carina Sokolich and get you name on the list.

Photo on left: 2013 Kiwanis Santa Sleigh volunteers included Andrew Elia, Christian Elia, Amanda Elia, Peter Issa – Kiwanian, Roula Issa (wife), Ramzy Issa, Adam Issa, Charlotte Melsh, Amanda Rieger, Ava Barr, Olivia Barr, Gayle CdeBaca, Megan CdeBaca, Audrey CdeBaca, Kay Griffith, Det. Choung Vo

KIWANIS

ONE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE





KIWANIS ROSE PARADE FLOAT: Your Kiwanis International Rose Float promotes Kiwanis to approximately 450 million television viewers worldwide every New Year's Day, clearly a significant public relations tool. Your Kiwanis International Rose Float Committee invites Kiwanians, clubs, divisions and districts to share in the excitement of the project. Opportunities are available to decorate the float and feed the volunteers. Every club, division or district in the Kiwanis family can help by becoming a 2014 Kiwanis International Rose Float Sponsor, and by doing so may actually generate a profit for themselves.

A sponsorship program is available which will provide a unique banner patch, a commemorative plaque, a quantity of lapel pins, and tickets for an opportunity drawing, for various levels of contribution. The drawing prize is 4 of the best seats for the Rose Parade, 4 seats for the Rose Bowl Game, a VIP luncheon, and reserved parking for the Parade and Game. For more information how you can get involved please contact Larry Madick mad4ucla@gmail.com



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. Forror 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



FUNNY PAGE

TOP 10 THINGS OVERHEARD DURING BLACK FRIDAY SALES

- 10 "I'm actually in line for next year's Black Friday."
9. "Whoa, these deals are bigger than Kim Kardashian's butt!"
8. "I can't wait until 15 years from now when they'll finally be holding this event in the second week of August!"
7. "I figure if I save big bucks and don't get killed, I'm ahead of the game."
6. "Batteries Not Included, good thing I brought two extra for my Taser."
5. "Let go of that waffle iron, you old hag! Oh!, sorry, Mom."
4. "I'm sending in my drone to nab an Xbox One."
3. "Man, this is nothing compared to the deals I got when I was hitting the stores in Ferguson last week -- those were a total STEAL!"
2. "Free concealer with every black eye!"
1. "It's too dangerous here at the mall. I'm deploying back to Afghanistan."



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 2014-2015

International President	Dr. John Button
International President –Elect.....	Susan Petrisin
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Division 19 Lt. Gov. Elect.....	Jackie Acosta
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 OFFICERS 2014 - 2015

President Carina Sokolich
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2013-2015 TERM

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2014-2016 TERM

Jennifer Frew
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 Brad Lyons

COMMITTEE CHAIR

Santa's Visit Tony Goorchenko
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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: **Kay Grundhaus 310-890-6407 • Laurie Love 310-729-3676 • Tony Goorchenko 310-534-4524**