

THE TALK OF TORRANCE

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HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE TORRANCE KIWANIS CLUB



TODAY'S MEETING: President Carina Sokolich opened today's meeting, Bob Abelson led the Pledge of Allegiance, Tony Goorchenko chose "Deck the Halls" as today's song and Milton Herring provided an invocation. Late members were Gayle CdeBaca, Steve Makshanoff and Phil Cook. The feeding of the volunteer decorators on December 26th was successful. Torrance Kiwanis was well represented. On February 10th, we will be Inter-Clubbing with other clubs in our Division in lieu of our regular meeting. Bob Abelson won the card raffle and will need to draw next week for the Joker. Kay Grundhaus won the 50/50 drawing.

Please read the newsletter for other important announcements.



HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS: **Bob Abelson** – ☺ Tony’s anniversary ☹ for Vicki ☺ love the cooler weather. **Gayle CdeBaca** – ☺ A wonderful holiday season, lucky to have a huge and healthy family ☹ late \$ and no shaking hands \$. **Phil Cook**– ☺ Merry Christmas, Happy New Year ☹ crazy people that think this is great weather. **Tony Goorchenko**– ☺ Nice to have winter weather, celebrated his anniversary. **Kay Grundhaus** – ☺ Her anniversary on the 22nd, a Christmas miracle, her son coming over and cooking, saw *Unbroken*, sold a house that is making it through escrow after some problems, took granddaughter Alex to the airport this morning for her fight to Denver. **Milton Herring** – ☺ Great celebration of the Christmas holiday, for the year with Kiwanis and looking forward to another ☹ the airplane crash and Charlotte’s cold. **Dave Holper** – ☺ Happy New Year. **Peter Issa** – ☺ Greatest Christmas ever with family, Adam and his oldest son dressed up like Santa. **Curtis Jones Jr.** – ☺ All the family here for Christmas, both USC’s won, friends here ☹ lost his next door neighbor of 23 years on Christmas Eve, the funeral was today. **David Kuroda**– ☺ We fly planes often and forget about the possibility of tragedy ☹ sad for the Air Asia crash ☺ Christmas and the celebrations, brother-in-law asked each person to mention why they were thankful in the last year, nice to remember why we celebrate. **Laurie Love** – ☺ Cooking for the holidays. **Brad Lyon** – ☺ Being a native of back East and this weather, Michigan getting a new coach and the hopes of being good. **Steve Makshanoff**– ☺ Both USC’s won, new president doing well ☹ late \$, accident in Redondo Beach. **Charlotte Melsh** – ☺ All she has left after the holidays is a dollar in quarters, for family and friends. **Carina Sokolich** – ☺ Christmas and everyone at home, Happy and Healthy New Year ☹ not listening to Tony, accident by St. James in Redondo Beach.



Phil Cook, Kay Grundhaus, Milton Herring, David Kuroda, Steve Makshanoff, Carina Sokolich?



**NEW CHALLENGE
MINISTRIES**

- 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

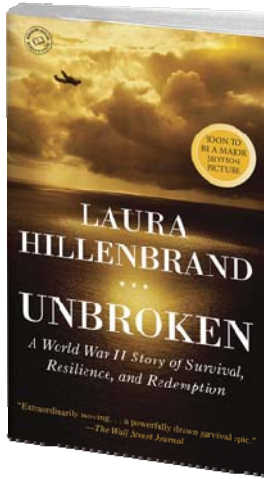
**PLEASE BRING TUESDAY
JANUARY 27, 2015**



UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ *January 13th – South HS Takeover*
- ✓ *January 19th – DCM at Hermosa Beach Kiwanis Hall*
- ✓ *January 21st – Kiwanis International is 100 years old*
- ✓ *February 3rd North HS Key Club Takeover Meeting*
- ✓ *February 10th – Inter-Club Tuesday*
- ✓ *February 21st – Mid-Year South, Riverside*
- ✓ *March 3rd - West HS Key Club Takeover Meeting*
- ✓ *March 19th – Celebration of Community Luncheon*

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



GO SEE THE MOVIE "UNBROKEN"

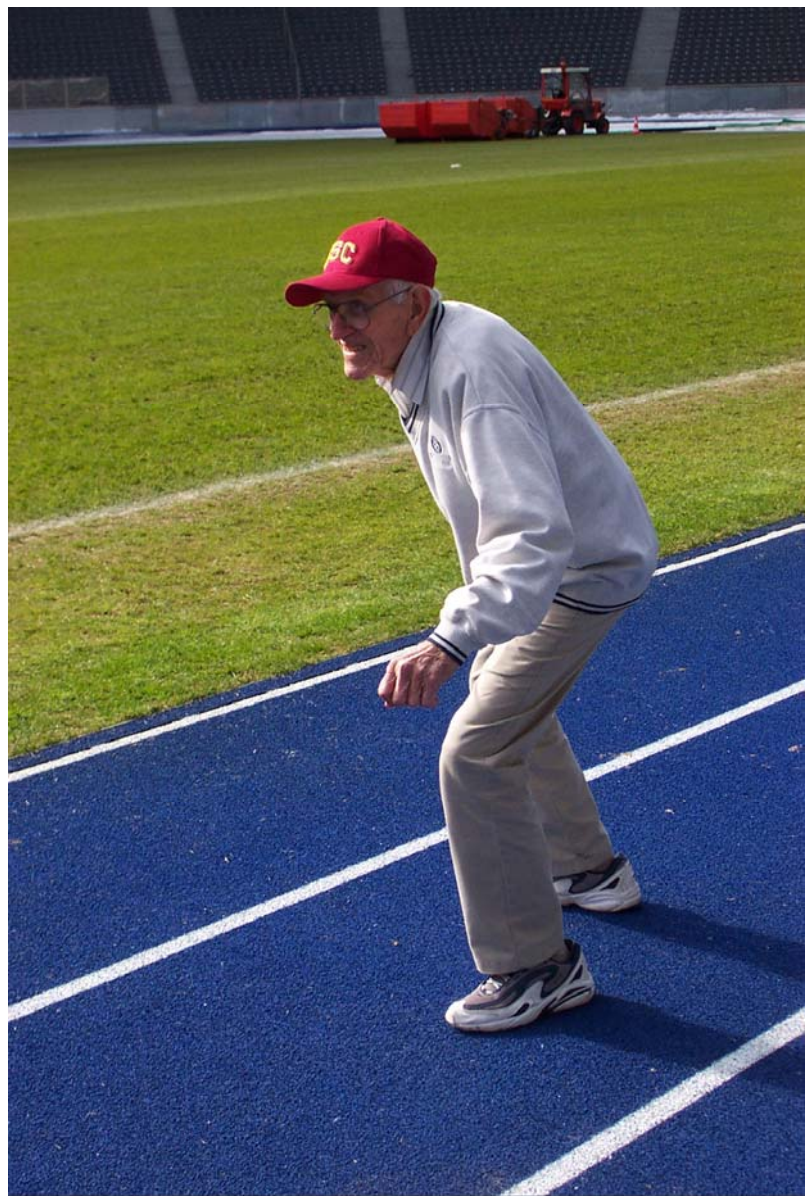
Shared by Lisa McGinty: From the book "*Unbroken*" after Louie discovers he made the Olympic team and was headed for Berlin. "...the house was packed with well-wishers and newsmen. Louie's twelve-year-old sister, Virginia, clutched one of Louie's trophies and told reporters of her plans to be the next great Zamperini runner. Anthony* headed off to the Kiwanis club, where he and Louie's Boy Scout master would drink toasts to Louie until four in the morning." Parker Bostwick is mentioned in the acknowledgements.

*Anthony was Louie's father.



Louis Zamperini in 2005 at the Olympic Stadium in Berlin. This was his first time back since he participated in the games in 1936.

Photos provided by Douglas Mastriano



Louis Zamperini the "Torrance Tornado" back on the track at the Berlin Germany Olympic Stadium in 2005

Photo by Douglas Mastriano



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



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ELIMINATE

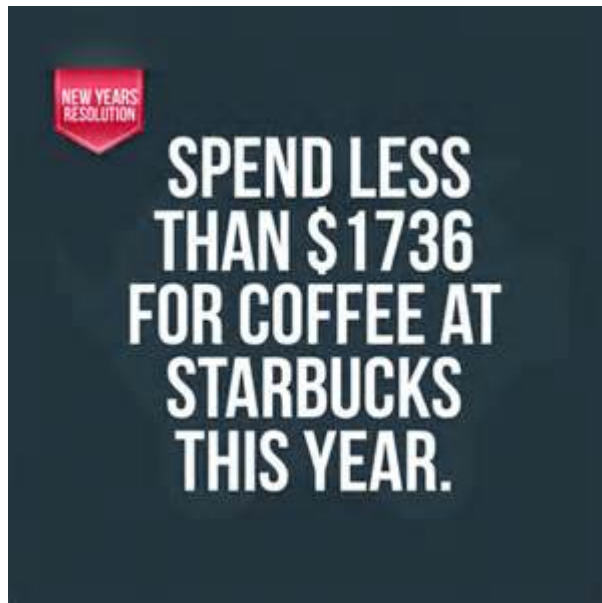
Kiwanis eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus



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



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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
CAL-NEV-HA District Governor	Alan Guire
CAL-NEV-HA- District Governor Elect	Cherice Gilliam
Division 19 Lt. Governor	Alan Quon
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
 President-Elect Steve Makshanoff
 Vice-President. Milton Herring, Jr.
 Treasurer..... Peter Issa
 Secretary..... Open
 Foundation Treasurer..... Phil Cook
 Immediate Past-Pres. Christine Elia

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2013-2015 TERM
 Charlotte Melsh
 Laurie Love
2014-2016 TERM
 Jennifer Frew
 Curtis Jones, Jr.
 Brad Lyons

COMMITTEE CHAIR

Santa's Visit Tony Goorchenko
 Texas Hold 'Em..... Gayle CdeBaca
 Inter-Club..... Steve Makshanoff
 Membership..... Kay Grundhaus
 Toys for the Troops Kids..... Jennifer Frew
 TACC Business Expo Carina Sokolich
 Relay for Life.... Charlotte Melsh/Kay Griffith
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