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2015 KIWANIS ROSE PARADE FLOAT



The Kiwanis International Float in the 126 Annual Tournament of Roses Parade

(Photo by Alberto Rodrigues/Getty Images)



At the Rosemont Pavilion for Phoenix Decorating Company, hundreds of Kiwanis International volunteers, mostly students, worked on several floats including the Honda banner float, the Donate Life float and even Kiwanis' float entry, "100 Years of Inspiring Children."

"It's part of the Kiwanis' mission. You feel you've got an obligation to give back," said 69-year-old Karl Dash, Lt. Governor of Kiwanis Cypress who came with about 45 students to volunteer.

(Reprint from the 12/29/14 San Gabriel Valley Tribune)

TODAY'S MEETING: President Carina Sokolich opened today's meeting, Brad Lyon led the Pledge of Allegiance, Lisa McGinty chose "God Bless America" as today's song and Tony Goorchenko provided an invocation. We did not have a speaker today so President Carina requested that each member present share what they are thankful for and any resolutions for 2015. Club members enjoyed hearing from and learning more about each other. 🎵 The Kiwanis Choir wished Curtis Jones, Jr. and Christine Elia 🎵 a Happy Birthday. Dave Holper won the card raffle but did not find the Joker. Kay Grundhaus won the 50/50 drawing.

Please read the newsletter for other important announcements.

HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS: Neslie Akkol – 😊 To be here with all of you. Lisa Applegate-McGinty – 😊 To be here today, nice to get to know more about everyone. Gayle CdeBaca – 😊 Just a happy \$. Christine Elia – 😊 Having a hero from Torrance, wonderful New Year to all, son turns 13 tomorrow so she will have 2 teenagers in the house 😊 missed last week because she was with 7 kids. Tony Goorchenko – 😊 Keeping attendance weekly and our numbers have been less than 15 😊 hope they go up since the holidays are over. Kay Grundhaus – 😊 Had to leave early but was happy to be here. Milton Herring – 😊 Happy to be here Dave Holper – 😊 Boys got home after the new year, spent a quiet evening with his wife and a bottle of champagne, could hear the fireworks coming from Harbor City Gateway 😊 daughter did not make it home. Curtis Jones Jr. – 😊 When his family was here they were on his deck and the saw multiple whale sightings, this Saturday Pt. Vicente lighthouse is open for tours and you might see whales then, enjoyed the Kiwanis float 😊 disappointed in the NBC and ABC Rose Parade coverage because they went to commercials when the Cal Poly float was on, KTLA was the only one that didn't. David Kuroda – 😊 The 7 year old girl who survived the plane crash that killed her family, she managed to walk to find a kind neighbor who called 911, it was a nice story of kindness of people, Carina's idea to share today. Laurie Love – 😊 Congratulations to the City of Torrance for their float honoring Louis Zamperini, went to see *Unbroken*, a must see for all. Brad Lyon – 😊 Liked today's meeting. Steve Makshanoff – 😊 Rose Float feeding, a happy, prosperous and productive 2015 to everyone. Charlotte Melsh – 😊 Her kids think she is so important in Kiwanis that they want to know if they can ride the float next year, in 20 years has not gone out on New Year's, this year was a great party at PV Bowl for 200 nice and happy people, a lady called her at the Center and wanted to know if they could watch her kids while she went out. Carina Sokolich – 😊 God to continue good health, praying for my children, son popped a lot of balloons with money in them on New Year's Eve, nephew at BMHS and a member of the Key Club has 2 scholarship offers so far.



Kay Grundhaus, David Kuroda, Charlotte Melsh, Carina Sokolich

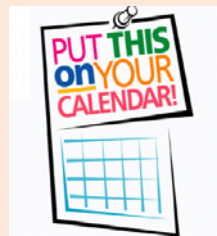




NEW CHALLENGE MINISTRIES

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

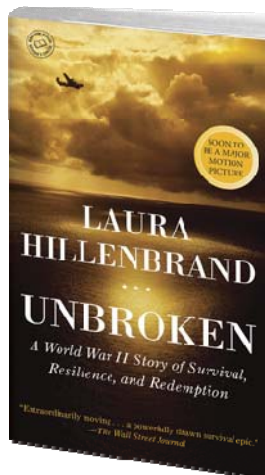
**PLEASE BRING TUESDAY
JANUARY 27, 2015**



UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ *January 13th – South HS Takeover*
- ✓ *January 19th – DCM at Hermosa Beach Kiwanis Hall*
- ✓ *January 21st – Kiwanis International is 100 years old*
- ✓ *February 3^d North HS Key Club Takeover Meeting*
- ✓ *February 10th – Inter-Club Tuesday*
- ✓ *February 21st – Mid-Year South, Riverside*
- ✓ *March 3^d - West HS Key Club Takeover Meeting*
- ✓ *March 19th – Celebration of Community Luncheon*
- ✓ *May 17th - Texas Hold 'Em*

(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.



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

ONE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

TOP 10 ALREADY BROKEN NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

10. Cut back on my daily beer consumption. (Phil Cook)
9. Stop sending long ass e-mails. (Tony Goorchenko)
8. Stop sending even longer ass e-mails than Goorchenko. (Pastor John Hernandez)
7. Stop screaming profanities at the TV every time Al Sharpton is on. (Tony Molino)
6. Reduce business self-promotion when talking to friends. (2014 Top Real Estate Agent Kay Grundhaus)
5. Cut back on wearing AFLAC Logo polo shirts to 6 days a week. (Dave "AFLAC" Holper)
4. Reduce chocolate intake. (Bob "Chocoholic" Abelson)
3. Limit iPhone selfies to 1 a day. (Jennifer Frew)
2. Check e-mails every day. (Charlotte Melsh)
1. Stop telling everyone USC would be in the Championship Game but for those SOB's at the NCAA. (Steve Makshanoff and Laurie Love)



NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Option A: lose some weight
Option B: buy a bigger basket

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
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