

# THE TALK OF TORRANCE

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## NO MEETING NEXT TUESDAY OCTOBER 7th – INSTALLATION DINNER IS SATURDAY

Please join us for the

Kiwanis Club of Torrance **Annual Installation & Awards Dinner** 

> **Saturday** October 10, 2015



833 W. Torrance Blvd., Torrance California

5:30 p.m. Social - 6:00 p.m. Dinner

Great Food, Fun and Drink, Awards Presentation, **Installation of Officers** 



**RSVP to Tony Goorchenko** 310-534-4524

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Members that pay full dues dinner is complementary Guests are \$45

**TODAY'S MEETING** President Carina Sokolich opened today's meeting, Phil "Tuna" Cook led the Pledge of Allegiance, Nick Svolos chose "Chattanooga Choo Choo" for the Kiwanis Choir to sing, and Tony Goorchenko provided the inspiration. Ken Seeraty, publisher of the Riviera Neighbors Magazine, was the guest of Kay Grundhaus and Cie Reynold and he won the card raffle winning \$5.00 which he donated back to the Club. Brad Lyon won the 50/50 raffle. Carina had a birthday candy and card for Gladys Makshanoff. Late members today were Charlotte Svolos and Christine Nick Svolos received his name badge for a nominal price. Don't forget we are dark next week. We will see you at our Installation.

## PLEASE READ THE NEWSLETTER FOR OTHER IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS



President Carina presents Nick Svolos with his Kiwanis name badge



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HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS: Gayle CdeBaca - © Is an aunt again, her sister had a baby boy. Phil Cook- © To see Molino today, to be here and to see his Kiwanis brothers and sisters @ had to break a \$20. Christine Elia -© Carina doing an amazing job and appreciates her time knowing that president takes a lot, Sophia doing well in school @ late \$. Tony Goorchenko – © Sign-up sheet for installation is filling up. Bryan Grageda - © Going to San Francisco this weekend for a football game ⊗ his Dolphins losing. **Kay Griffith** – © To be here and to eat fish and be healthy. Kay Grundhaus - @ Played hooky yesterday and went to the see the movie Intern. Nadine Koerner - @ To be here, she has 2 strained Achilles tendons and it puts things in perspective. David Kuroda – © Grateful for Carina's term, appreciate what you have accomplished, went to an SB Bar Assc. Event and knew the bartender (Tony M). who was even able to make lawyers laugh. Laurie Love - © USC victory and a worried \$ for the Dodgers. Brad Lyon – © Carina's year and the future with Steve. Steve Makshanoff- © Both LA teams winning, the Westwood one and USC, Gladys' candy, club looking and strong and positive. Tony Molino - © PVPHS progress reports posted and Sophia has 4 A's and 1 B. The one B



Steve Makshanoff receives birthday card and chocolates for wife Gladys.

is in Science. They had a quiz and she did the front and turned it in but didn't see there were questions on the back. She talked to the teacher to see if there was something she could do and he told her only doing half the test she did better than many other in the class. Cie Reynolds - ② Our guest, met him at B & I, pleasure to know him. Carina Sokolich - ② Nick and our guest, thank you for being stuck with me, learned so much, thank you, hopeful \$ for Steve Charlotte Svolos - ③ Late \$, didn't greet everyone, had to scramble at work today because they were short one person ③ but happy they made it work. Nick Svolos - ③ Almost finished with the draft of his first novel.

**Ken Seeraty** - <sup>©</sup> Kay and Cie inviting me, the warm greetings, Eagles winning.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ✓ October 6<sup>th</sup> We are dark so we can get ready for oom pah pah at Alpine Village
- ✓ October 10<sup>th</sup> Torrance Kiwanis Installation Dinner, Alpine Village Restaurant and Oktoberfest.
- ✓ October 11<sup>th</sup> Pediatric Therapy Network 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Halloween Ball
- ✓ October 13th Carter Calhoun, Toberman House
- ✓ October 22<sup>nd</sup> Options for Recovery 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon, Torrance Kiwanis will be honored at this luncheon
- ✓ October 24<sup>th</sup> Kiwanis Service Day at Madrona March. To sign up contact Steve Makshanoff

Italic Tuesday Club Meeting

<u>TORRANCE KIWANIS CLUB HONORED</u>: On Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> UCLA Harbor General Hospital Options for Recovery Program will honor the Torrance Kiwanis Club for the 20+ years of service to their program. The Luncheon will be at the 11:30 am – 1:30 pm at the Carson Community Center, 801 E. Carson Street, Carson CA. Tony Molino purchased a table for our club and there are a few seats available. If you would like to attend please contact Tony Molino ASAP.





#### TORRANCE KIWANIS FOUNDATION DONATES TO CAL NEV HA DISTRICT FOUNDATION DISASTER RELIEF

The Torrance Kiwanis Foundation has made a donation of \$500 to the KIWANIS CAL-NEV-HA Foundation Disaster relief fund to assist the families that have lost their home and personal items from the California Wild Fires. Additional donations are sought from Kiwanis members that can help. Please read the District Foundation Update.



Following the Harris Fire of 2007, Judy and Jessica Thompson dig through the rubble where their home once stood. Thanks to the generosity of Kiwanis, the family was able to rebuild their home and their lives

## **District Foundation Update**

Nearly 50 years ago, then Governor William A. Dunlap spearheaded disaster relief efforts in response to the devastating floods in the Northern California town of Klamath. Looking for a way to give back, Governor Dunlap established the Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation and encouraged Kiwanians from across the District to send their donations to the newly-formed Foundation to help rebuild the town.

Today, tragedy has again struck Northern California with massive wildfires burning throughout the region. After being forcibly evacuated from their residences, many families are now returning home to find ash and debris where their homes once stood. They've lost their homes, possessions and the life they once knew.

While our focus has broadened, our commitment to helping children and families remains at the core of our mission. But we can't do it alone.

If your club has not yet sent a contribution to the Foundation to help with this cause, we encourage you to do so today. Contributions to the Disaster Relief Fund will be used to support families as they begin the process of rebuilding their lives. Your generous support will go far in helping to:

clear debris from lots in preparation of rebuilding homes and repair fire-damaged homes;

- assist at fire evacuation and relief centers throughout Northern California;
- replace essential items such as clothing, toiletries, and housewares to families devastated by the fires; and
- obtain, package, and deliver non-perishable food to families affected by the fires.

Contributions may be sent to the address at the bottom of this email. Thank you for your support - it truly allows us to build a better future for our children!

Yours in Kiwanis Service,

Russ Kiner President, Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation

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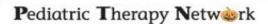


## THANK YOU CARINA!!!

You did a great job as our president.

Thank you for being our Kiwanis Super Hero!!!!

#### OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS





## **SAVE THE DATE!**

Sunday, October 11, 2015 4:00 pm-9:00 pm

The Depot's 20th Annual Halloween Ball benefitting Pediatric Therapy Network

Hosted by Chef Michael Shafer
Dancing & Dining in front of the Depot Restaurant
1250 Cabrillo Ave, Torrance, under a ghostly white tent!
Event tickets are \$125 per person

To become a sponsor, donate an auction item, purchase your event Tickets and for the latest Halloween Ball news and updates contact:

Allison Young at 310.328.0276 x202 / allisony@ptnmail.org

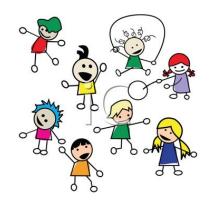
The Halloween Ball is PTN's largest fundraiser and your participation will help support therapeutic programs and services for 2,500 children with special needs and developmental concerns.



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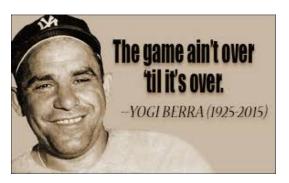
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## **TOP 20 YOGIMS**

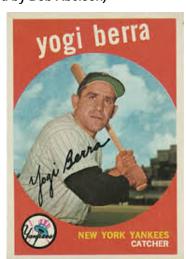
(submitted by Bob Abelson)

- 20. On the fractured syntax attributed to him: "I really didn't say everything I said."
- 19. On selecting a restaurant: "Nobody goes there anymore. It's too crowded."
- 18. On learning: "You can observe a lot by watching."
- 17. On economics: "A nickel ain't worth a dime anymore."
- 16. On fan mail: "Never answer an anonymous letter."
- 15. On a spring training drill: "Pair off in threes."
- 14. On being told he looked cool: "You don't look so hot yourself."
- 13. On being asked what time it was: "You mean now?"
- 12. On being given a day in his honor: "Thank you for making this day necessary."
- 11. On his approach to playing baseball: "Baseball is 90 percent mental. The other half is physical."
- 10. On the 1973 Mets: "We were overwhelming underdogs."
- 9. On how events sometimes seem to repeat themselves "It's deja vu all over again!"
- 8. On baseball attendance: "If people don't come to the ballpark, how are you gonna stop them?"
- 7. On a slipping batting average: "Slump? I ain't in no slump. ... I just ain't hitting."
- 6. On travel directions: "When you come to a fork in the road take it."
- 5. On pregame rest: "I usually take a two-hour nap from 1 to 4."
- 4. On his approach to at-bats: "You can't think and hit at the same time."
- On battling the shadows in left field at Yankee Stadium: "It gets late early out there."
- On death: "Always go to other people's funerals. Otherwise they won't go to yours."
- 1. On his team's diminishing pennant chances: "It ain't over 'till it's over."











## 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)
- Friends of Torrance Exceptional Athletes
- 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**

MONDAY Manhattan Beach- Tin Roof Bistro, Manhattan Village (2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday Only)	5:30 PM
TUESDAY EI Segundo- Second City Bistro, 223 Richmond St., El Segundo Lomita/ Harbor City- 24822 Narbonne Ave. Lomita Torrance, Sizzler Restaurant 2880 Sepulveda Blvd.	6:30 PM
WEDNESDAY Carson- Double Tree Hotel (1st & 3rd Wed. Only) Hermosa Beach- 2515 Valley Drive Hermosa Bch Lawndale-Community Center, Brown Bag Lunch. (1st & 3rd Wed.) San Pedro, The Whale & Ale Restaurant.	12:10 PM 12:10 PM
THURSDAY Eastview- Sheraton Hotel, Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro	12:10 PM 12:30 PM
FRIDAY Hawthorne- Western Credit Union, 14500 Aviation Blvd	12:10 PM

## **INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT OFFICERS 2014-2015**

International President	Dr. John Button
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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

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South High KIWIN'SWeekly Meeting -Friday at Noon
Torrance High KIWIN'SWeekly Meeting -Friday at Noon
West High Key Club Weekly Meeting – Friday at Noon
Bishop Montgomery High Key ClubWeekly Meeting – Wednesday 11:50 AM
Richardson Middle School Builders Club Weekly Meeting – Tuesday 3:00 PM



**CLUB OFFICERS 2014 - 2015** 

President ...... Carina Sokolich

President-Elect ...... Steve Makshanoff

Vice-President...... Milton Herring, Sr.

Treasurer..... Peter Issa

Secretary..... Open

Foundation Treasurer..... Phil Cook

Immediate Past-Pres. ..... Christine Elia

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# CLUB INFORMATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Charlotte Melsh Laurie Love

#### 2014-2016 TERM

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