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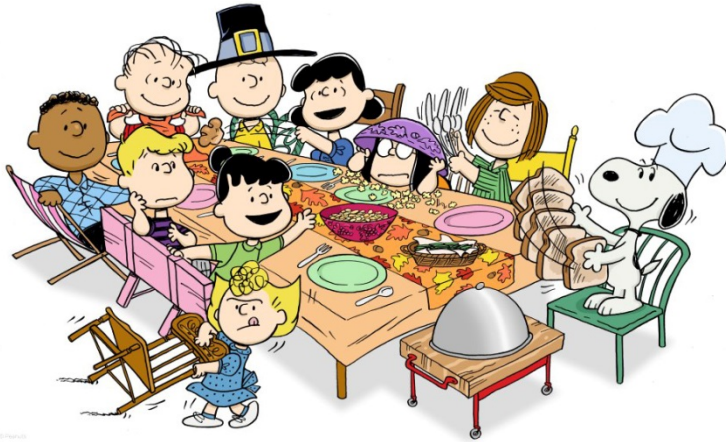
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Happy Thanksgiving



TODAY'S MEETING: President Steve Makshanoff opened today's meeting, Gayle CdeBaca led the Pledge of Allegiance, Kristina Keys (Bryan Grageda's wife and our guest) was our song leader and Brad Lyon provided the inspiration. Other guests today were the CdeBaca family, Craig, Megan, and Audrey with Gayle. Charlotte Svolos and Dave Holper were a little tardy for the meeting. Dave Holper won the card raffle but did not find the Joker and Steve Makshanoff won the 50/50 drawing. No program today due to our monthly board meeting.

Please read the newsletter for other important announcements.



It's a Secret!
Ruby is expecting and we are
planning a surprise at our
December 15th Meeting!



Ruby has been our food server for several years. She is expecting a baby and we will have a surprise gift for her. For more information contact Laurie Love.

HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS: Gayle CdeBaca – ☺ To have family here, ice skating outing to LA with her girls at Pershing square with it being 80° outside, Happy Thanksgiving. **Christine Elia** – ☺ To see Kristina and the CdeBacas, Happy Thanksgiving. **Tony Goorchenko**– ☺ USBA Expo, Milton and John Hernandez got a lot of interest. **Bryan Grageda** – ☺ His wife is here, happy for Ruby. **Kay Grundhaus** – ☺ Bob Abelson is doing better. **Dave Holper** – ☺ For our guests, Nick and the website ☹ late \$. **Curtis Jones Jr.** – ☺ All we have to be thankful for, friends here, troops around the world. **Laurie Love** – ☺ Attended the Rotary USC UCLA tailgate today, USC had the marching band, song girls, and Traveler, UCLA had their bear and a tape for their music, Happy Thanksgiving. **Brad Lyon**– ☺ For our guests, moved here 28 years ago. **Steve Makshanoff** – ☺ USC can still win the PAC-12 southern conference, happy for Dave to win. **Carina Sokolich** – ☺ All our guests. **Charlotte Svolos** - ☺ USBA Expo, Thanksgiving nail job. **Nick Svolos** – ☺ Happy to be here.



TORRANCE KIWANIS FOUNDATION SEE'S CANDY FUNDRAISER

To all members, we are selling See's Candy this Holiday Season to raise money for our Torrance Kiwanis Foundation. Please contact Carina Sokolich ASAP for your order form. All orders must be given to Carina on or before **December 4th**.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ✓ **November 28th** – Torrance Memorial Medical Center Foundation Holiday Festival tree decorating
- ✓ **December 3rd** – Torrance Police Officers Association Santa's Float Kiwanis Night, 5:00 PM, need volunteers.
- ✓ **December 4th** – Torrance Kiwanis See's Candy Order's must be turned in to Carina Sokolich.
- ✓ **December 8th** – *Torrance High KIWIN'S School Takeover*
- ✓ **December 9th & 10th** – Gift wrapping at Barnes & Noble. We need volunteers, contact Laurie Love.
- ✓ **December 12th** – Salvation Army Bell Ringing, see Tony Goorchenko for volunteer sign up.
- ✓ **December 15th** – Santa's visit to Harbor General Hospital, Stork Club and New Challenge Ministries
- ✓ **December 21st** - Division Council Meeting, Lomita Kiwanis Clubhouse, 6:00 PM, Christmas Cheer.
- ✓ **December 26th** – Rose Float Decorators Volunteer Lunch Feeding, see Tony Goorchenko for more info.
- ✓ **December 30th** – Kiwanis International President's Luncheon, Pasadena (see page for details)
- ✓ **January 12th** – *Bishop Montgomery HS Key Club Takeover*
- ✓ **February 9th** – *North High School Key Club Takeover*
- ✓ **March 8th** – *West High School Key Club Takeover*

Italic Tuesday Club Meeting



TORRANCE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION SANTA'S FLOAT December 3rd – 5:00 PM



Kiwanis members will run the Torrance Police Officers Association Santa's Float on December 3rd. We need Elf's to assist Santa. Please contact Tony Goorchenko to sign up for this fun event.



DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR

OUR ANNUAL SANTA'S VISIT TO HARBOR UCLA HOSPITAL, STORK CLUB & NEW CHALLENGE

Our Annual Santa's visit to Harbor UCLA General Hospital, the Stork Club and New Challenge Ministries is on December 15th at 9:00 am. All volunteers MUST have a current TB test to make the visit to the hospital. Please contact Tony Goorchenko for more information.

Photos are from our 2014 visit.



THE KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S INTER-CLUB LUNCHEON

Hosted by the Pasadena and Pasadena Rose Float Kiwanis Clubs,
the event will feature our Kiwanis International President
2015-2016 SUSAN A. "SUE" PETRISIN.

Wednesday, December 30th, 2015

11:30 AM to 2:00 P.M.

University Club of Pasadena

175 North Oakland, Pasadena, California

Luncheon Price: \$50.00 per person, Sponsored Youth \$45 per person. Please respond by December 28th, 2015

Please send payment (payable to Kiwanis Club of Pasadena) and RSVP to
Craig Wallace, Treasurer, at 626-449-3466, Ext. 241

Fax to 626-577-9361 or e-mail cWallace@m-k-m.com or mail to: P.O. Box 50484, Pasadena, CA 91115

Toys for the Troops' Kids



Help America's Troops
By Donating a New Unwrapped Toy
For a Soldier's Child

The Kiwanis Club of 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.

On Monday November 16th, please bring your donations to the DCM Meeting at the Lomita Kiwanis Hall, where the Torrance Kiwanis will be the host Club. All toys collected that evening along with all of our other donations from local businesses will be driven to the Los Air Force Base in early December. Your club may continue to participate and make donations through November and then make special drop off arrangements.

We welcome all members, friends and families to participate. Set up a Toy Drive at your place of business, talk to any organizations you are a part of to participate, etc.



Contact past Lt. Gov. Laurie Love at
laurielove@socal.rr.com
Or phone: 310-729-3676 with any questions or to
make special drop off arrangements.



OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Counseling4Kids Gifts4Kids 2015

C4K is a mental health agency that touches the lives of more than 1,600 children in foster care annually. This year, close to 20,000 children in Los Angeles County will spend Christmas in temporary placement away from family and friends. Donating a new gift through C4K's Annual Gifts4Kids toy drive is a perfect way to help a child feel loved and experience the magic of Christmas.

Beginning November 1, 2015 – December 11, 2015 donations are welcome at the following drop-off locations:

Counseling4Kids (Burbank Office)

601 S. Glenoaks Blvd Suite 200

Burbank, CA 91502

Counseling4Kids (Torrance Office)

19701 Hamilton Avenue Suite 160

Torrance, CA 90502

**Monetary donations can also be made at
www.Counseling4Kids.org**

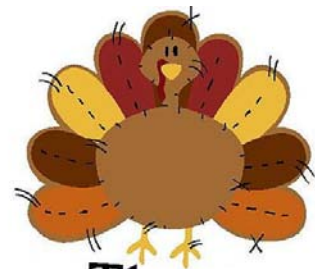
If you are interested in planning a gift drive, or would like additional information contact Neslie Akkol at:
(818) 333-8284



GIFT IDEAS:

**Sport Balls, Gift Cards for Teens,
Soft Dolls, Toy Cars and Art Supplies!**

A 501 (c)(3) nonprofit. Federal Tax ID 95-4628412. The services which Counseling4Kids provides are under an agreement funded by the County of Los Angeles, Department of Mental Health.



Happy Thanksgiving





THE 2015 WOMEN IN BUSINESS EVENT

A Celebration of Perseverance

Friday, December 4th
11:30am registration, 12:00pm event
DoubleTree by Hilton
21333 Torrance Blvd, Torrance

\$38 TACC MEMBERS

\$42 NON-MEMBERS

\$400 TABLE OF TEN



HONORING
2015 Athena Award Recipient
Elaine Thompson
Law Office of B. Elaine Thompson

RESERVATIONS
call (310) 540-5858
visit torrancechamber.com

SPEAKERS

A panel of extraordinary women who have overcome adversity share their stories this holiday season.



FUNNY PAGE



“Honestly Madam, do you expect this court to believe that *all* of your husbands mysteriously disappeared at this same time in November?”

Number 1 Reason to kick your husband out of the kitchen on Thanksgiving



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 (2nd Monday Only) 5:30 PM

TUESDAY

El Segundo- Second City Bistro, 223 Richmond St., (1st & 3rd Tuesday)..... 12:10 PM

Lomita/ Harbor City- 24822 Narbonne Ave. Lomita6:30 PM

Torrance, Sizzler Restaurant 2880 Sepulveda Blvd.12: 10 PM

WEDNESDAY

Carson- Double Tree Hotel (1st & 3rd Wednesday) 12:10 PM

Hermosa Beach- 2515 Valley Drive Hermosa Bch.12:10 PM

Lawndale-Community Center, Brown Bag Lunch.(1st & 3rd Wednesday).....12:10 PM

San Pedro, The Whale & Ale Restaurant.....12:10 PM

Santa Monica- Lowe's Beach Hotel .(1st & 3rd Wednesday)..... 12:10 PM

THURSDAY

Gardena Valley-Elks Lodge, 1735 W. 162 Street. Gardena 12:10 PM

LAX- Renaissance Hotel, 9620 Airport Blvd., at LAX 12:30 PM

Malibu- Guido's Restaurant, 3874 Cross Creek Road. 7:00 PM

Rolling Hills/PV- Red Onion Restaurant Rolling Hills Estates..... 12:10 PM

FRIDAY

Hawthorne- Western Credit Union, 14500 Aviation Blvd.12:10 PM

INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT OFFICERS 2015-2016

International President Susan Petrisin

CAL-NEV-HA District Governor Cherice Gilliam

CAL-NEV-HA- District Governor Elect Pete Edwards

Division 19 Lt. Governor Jackie Acosta

Division 19 Lt. Gov. Elect..... Laurence Martin

Region 8 Trustee..... Joni Ackerman

TORRANCE KIWANIS SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

North High Key Club..... Weekly Meeting - Fridays at Noon

South High KIWIN'SWeekly 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 ClubWeekly Meeting – Wednesday 11:50 AM

Richardson Middle School Builders Club. Weekly Meeting – Tuesday 3:00 PM

CLUB INFORMATION

CLUB OFFICERS 2015 - 2016

President Steve Makshanoff
 President-Elect Milton Herring, Sr.
 Vice-President..... Open
 Treasurer..... Peter Issa
 Secretary..... Cie Reynolds
 Foundation Treasurer..... Phil Cook
 Immediate Past-Pres. ... Carina Sokolich

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2013-2015 TERM
 Christine Elia
 Laurie Love
2014-2016 TERM
 Kay Grundhaus
 John Hernandez
 Curtis Jones, Jr.

COMMITTEE CHAIR

Santa's Visit Tony Goorchenko
 Texas Hold 'Em..... Steve Makshanoff
 Membership..... Kay Grundhaus
 Celebration of Community..... Cie Reynolds
 TACC Business Expo Carina Sokolich
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