

## THE TALK OF TORRANCE

*The Official Bulletin for the Kiwanis Club of Torrance*

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**TODAY'S MEETING:** President Donna Duperron opened today's meeting. Charlotte Melsh led us in the pledge of allegiance. Gayle CdeBaca led us in song with "Jingle Bells" and Mando Luna bless our meeting. Our guests included Doug Davies hubby of Susan and Coach Gary Duperron. Our guest Speaker Doug McCloud. The Kiwanis choir was at its best under the direction of our guest speaker. We honored Dolores Lyttle, Marlenia Myers, and Christine Elia. Peter Issa escaped our Happy Birthday chorus. Raffle Winners, Jon Kim but no Joker. Connie Horstkotte won the 50/50 and donated \$25 to the Toys for the Troops' Kids.

### **MEETING NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- ✓ Gayle CdeBaca – NHS Letterman Club has collected 30+ teddy bears and we are adding children's books to be donated to the Torrance Police Department. The Torrance PD will be at our next meeting so if you haven't brought a book yet, you can bring one next week.
- ✓ Salvation Army Bell Ringing on December 15<sup>th</sup>. We will have the same location as last year outside Trader Joe's on Crenshaw and PCH. Please call Gayle CdeBaca for more info.
- ✓ Bob Zappelli – Thanks to all that made the SHS KIWIN'S takeover successful. Raised \$600.
- ✓ John Hernandez – NHS gave us a check for the toy drive and he is challenging the other high schools to do the same.
- ✓ Steve Hemingway – Reports that we now have 46 members.
- ✓ Connie Horstkotte – Represented us at the Torrance Focus Group for the new Strategic Plan. The area that was most liked in the city was the Torrance Unified School District. The area of most concern is the condition of the schools and the recognition that the community needs to provide the funds to the necessary updates and repairs.
- ✓ Donna Duperron – Passed around two cards, one for Norm Towers who will be having knee replacement surgery and one for Ruby our food server to be presented next meeting.
- ✓ THS Kiwins Annual Dance will be January 18, 2008 at the Kiwanis Hall in Lomita. Dave Holper is asking for our help with chaperones.

**Toys for the Troops' Kids**



**TOYS FOR THE TROOPS' KIDS:** Tony Molino announced that we need 272 toys for the children of soldiers that are deployed in Iraq & Afghanistan. He received \$130 from Mid-Wilshire Kiwanians Tiffany Thrasher & Javier Gomez to help buy these toys. Donations also came in from Cathy Towers, Phil Cook, Bob Abelson, Adrienne Brown and Connie Horstkotte. Mando Luna is going to Mattel Employee Toy Center to buy these toys at a deep discount. John Hernandez has enlisted his NHS Key Club to get toys and money. **What a team effort in the true spirit of the Holiday Season.** Please bring toys next week to load in John's Van. For more info contact Tony Molino [molino@nowcom.com](mailto:molino@nowcom.com).



**TODAY'S PROGRAM:** Doug MacLeod is one of the last remaining Bluesman who learned from the old masters, lived the music, survived the life, and now continues to carry forward that valuable tradition. Within the blues world, MacLeod is known for his quality recordings which feature superb songwriting, guitar wizardry, warm soulful vocals, wit, and unforgettable live performances. Besides being a heart wrenching powerful live performer, Doug is also an extremely gifted storyteller and songwriter. His songs are born from experience. During performances he entertains and draws his audience closer by telling the stories that inspired the songs. Several of his songs have been covered by



many artists. From 1999 to 2004 Doug was the host for 'Nothin' but The Blues', the 10-hour weekend blues show on KLON – KKJZ in Los Angeles.

Doug was challenged with stuttering as a young boy. He withdrew and didn't speak until he picked up a guitar. He could sing anything without stuttering and found that the girls loved him. He joined the Navy and was stationed in Norfolk, VA. He had the opportunity to play in a coffee house there and earned the title of "King of the Blues" at the age of 20. He has played with some of the worlds greatest Blues performers such as Big Joe Turner ("Shake, Rattle and Roll: and "Carina, Carina".) Doug has a wonderful philosophy on life. Quotes from his talk:

*"Blues is a celebration of life."*

*"When you get up in the morning, pack your sense of humor."*

*"Laugh at yourself and the world and life will look good."*

*"Don't let any fool ruin your Yule."*



Doug had many interesting stories and we appreciate that he had time to spend with us today. His most popular albums are shown herein. Great program, thank Donna Duperron for having Doug as our speaker.

**HAPPY ☺ & SAD ☹ DOLLARS:** Judge Mark Arnold – ☺ Gary Duperron here and his greatest music idol, Doug MacLeod. Adrienne Brown– ☺ Our guest, my laugh for the day, Happy Hanukkah. Art "Gator" Callen,– ☺ Gator Tim Tebow receiving the Heisman Trophy. Gayle CdeBaca – ☺ Donna's party & daughter Megan receiving 2 awards at school. Phil "Tuna" Cook– ☺ Learning about the Blues. Christine Elia – ☺ Donna's party and Steve's daughter doing well. Kay Grundhaus – 5 ☺ \$ to be back after a great road trip, enjoyed sharing the new ring tone on her bad etiquette cell phone. Steve Hemingway – ☺ Donna's party, his daughter on the mend from appendicitis surgery. John Hernandez,- ☺ Getting to sit on Santa's lap, great party at Donna's ☺ NHS JV basketball team lost. Dave "AFLAC" Holper – ☺ Donna's party, Blue's dollars for Doug ☹ DA BEARS. Connie Horstkotte – ☺ Donna's party, Logan loved his basketball gift and that he could dunk. Harvey Horwich – ☺ Our guest speaker and his grandkids have two Holiday performances this week. Curtis Jones, Jr. – ☺ Donna's party, 5\$ for Doug, finally figured how to get an apartment for daughter Lauren in Singapore. Tammy Khan - ☹ Rough news week for TUSD. Jonathan Kim – ☺ Our guests, and being here today ☹ To miss Donna's party. Dr. Laurie Love – ☺ USC victory over UCLA, thanks Dolores for taking notes last week. Mando Luna– ☺ Donna's party and our guests. Doloris Lyttle– ☺ Our guest Doug ☹ sorry to miss the party. Milli McFadden - ☺ Our guests. Tony Molino– ☺ John helping with the toys. Marlena Myers, –☺ December birthdays, Doug's story, she was also a stutterer and is a big Blues fan. Kim Smith– ☺ The good old boys and that Judge Arnold is pumped up to have Doug MacLeod here today. Cathy Towers – ☺ Steve's daughter on the mend, ☹ Had a family commitment and had to miss Donna's party. Bob Zappelli– ☺ Our guest, the party, and has calendars to share.



Judge Markey with Santa

**TORRANCE KIWANIS HOLIDAY PARTY:** Donna & Gary Duperron hosted a fabulous Holiday party last Sunday for our club members and their families. Santa Clause aka Manny Sousa arrived and the children have a wonderful time as they received gifts from Old St. Nick. Thank you Donna & Gary for a great party.

Photo's by Barbara Molino

(On right) Gail CdeBaca with her daughters, no sure of Santa



Christine & Amanda with Santa



The Elia children with Santa



Cassandra Paul receiving a gift from Santa



Sophia Molino Happy to be with Santa Clause

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**CLUB CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER/JANUARY:** Since both Christmas and New Year's Day fall on a Tuesday this year there will be no meetings on December 25 and our January 1<sup>st</sup> meeting has been moved to January 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Hacienda Hotel in El Segundo for the Kiwanis International President's meeting. If you plan on attending please sign up so we can send our RSVP list to the El Segundo Kiwanis the host Club.

- **December 17<sup>th</sup>** Division Council Meeting at Lomita Kiwanis Hall. 5:30 PM Social, Dinner/Meeting 6:00 PM. If you can attend please contact Tony Goorchenko
- **January 25<sup>th</sup>** – Official Governor's Visit; Tentative location is the Alondra Club at the Golf Course. Social 5:30 PM, Dinner 6:30 PM, \$40 per person.



Governor Oscar Knight



Dave Curry KI President 2007-08

**KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT LUNCHEON:** On **January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2008** at the Hacienda Hotel in El Segundo, our Kiwanis International President Dave Curry will address the Kiwanians from Los Angeles and Orange County. Please plan on attending this event. Our club will NOT have a meeting on Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, so will replace that meeting. There is a sign up sheet at our meeting or e-mail Tony Molino at [molino@nowcom.com](mailto:molino@nowcom.com) if you plan on attending.



**AGING IN PLACE PROJECT:** The project has started where we will be remodeling the home of a local senior citizen so he can stay at home instead of relocating to a care facility. .

### **MEET HUGH OUR AGING IN PLACE RECIPIENT**

Hugh is a stroke victim. He was selected for a home makeover by the Aging In Place program. His long time home has architectural barriers. Our Aging in Place design team will move walls, give him a shower that he can use, and make other modifications that physically challenged seniors require. This will enable Hugh to live comfortably and remain in the community with his many long time friends...all made possible by the generous donations and contributions of our supporters. This is a joint project with ASID-Los Angeles and the Torrance Kiwanis.



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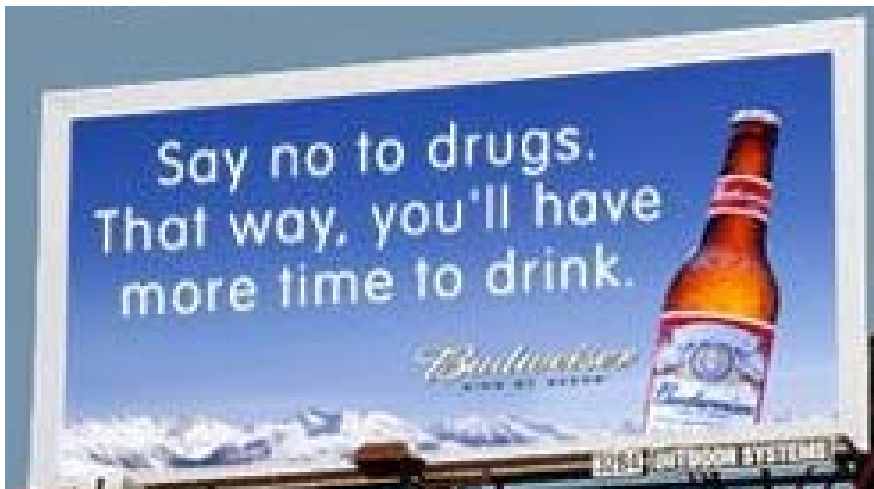
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### TOP 10 DEMANDS OF STRIKING HOLLYWOOD WRITERS:

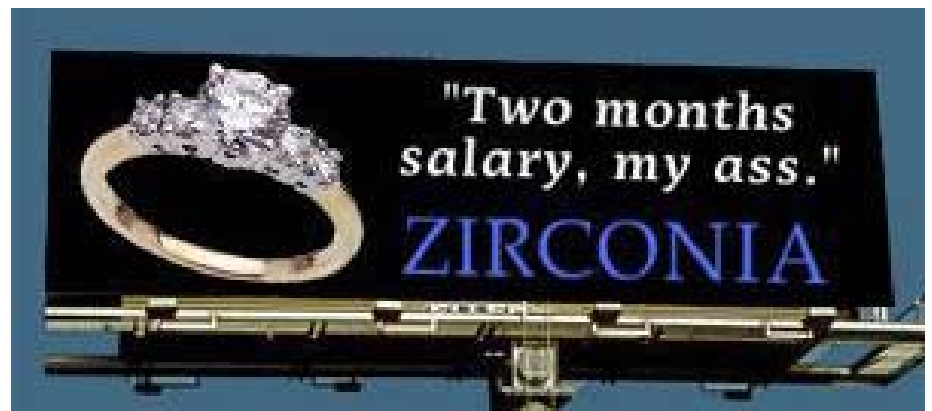
10. A cushier bench and lighter barbell for the bench press in the writers' gym.
9. New friends and family to replace the ones driven away by incessant "sharing" of rejected entries.
8. A higher funny-attractive-women-to-middle-aged-overweight- bearded-men ratio on the writing staff.
7. Stop buying the studio cafeteria's lunchmeat from China.
6. An occasional courtesy flush would be nice.
5. Health plan options that have doctors from medical schools other than the University of Jamaica.
4. Schedule the liquor delivery earlier in the day for those of us who don't have time for breakfast at home.
3. Less Tabasco on the tip of the cattle prod.
2. New toothbrushes for scrubbing the bathroom floors in Steven Spielberg's office.
1. Doors on the bathroom stalls. Who do you think we are? The Senate?

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### Phil "Tuna" Cook's Favorite Bill Boards



This must be the Scrooge coming out in Phil



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### CLUB OFFICERS 2007-2008

President ..... Donna Duperron  
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**2006-2008 TERM**  
Judge Mark Arnold  
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**2007-2009 TERM**  
Connie Horstkotte  
Cathy Towers  
Bob Zappelli

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Newsletter ..... Laurie Love/Tony Molino  
Santa's Visit ..... Tony Gorchenko  
Brotherhood Luncheon, John Hernandez  
Community Service..... Gayle CdeBaca  
Book Drive ..... Ed Janik/Christine Elia  
Membership.. Connie Horstkotte/Cathy Tower

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## 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**, Manhattan Beach Country Club..... 12:10 PM  
**Torrance**, Sizzler Restaurant 2880 Sepulveda Blvd. .... 12: 10 PM

#### WEDNESDAY

**Carson**, Double Tree Hotel, (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. Only) ..... 12:10 PM  
**Hermosa Beach**, 2515 Valley Drive Hermosa Bch. .... 12:10 PM  
**Lawndale**, Farmer Mkt Office- 14717 Hawthorne Blvd # 8..... 12:10 PM  
**San Pedro**, The Whale & Ale Restaurant, 7<sup>th</sup> St..... 12:10 PM

#### THURSDAY

**Eastview**, Sheraton Hotel, Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro..... 8:00 AM  
**Gardena Valley**, Normandie Casino, 1045 Rosecrans, ..... 12:10 PM  
**LAX**, Renaissance Hotel, 9620 Airport Blvd., at LAX ..... 12:10 PM  
**Rolling Hills/PV**, Red Onion Restaurant Rolling Hills Est..... 12:10 PM

#### FRIDAY

**Hawthorne**, Nat's Airport Café, Hawthorne Airport ..... 12:10 PM  
**Redondo Beach**, Delzано's 179 Harbor Drive, ..... 1:00 PM

#### INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT OFFICERS 2006-2007

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 Division 19 Lt. Governor ..... Pat Kearney

#### TORRANCE KIWANIS SPONSORED LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

<u>Club</u>	<u>Member Advisor</u>
North High Key Club.....	John Hernandez
Weekly Meeting - Fridays at Noon	
South High KIWIN'S .....	Bob Zappelli
Weekly Meeting -Friday at Noon	
Torrance High KIWIN'S.....	Dave Holper
Weekly Meeting -Tuesday at Noon	
West High Key Club.....	Kevin Paul
Weekly Meeting – Friday at Noon	
J.H. Hull Middle School Builders Club.....	Christine Elia
Weekly Meeting – Thursday 3:15 PM	
Jefferson Middle School Builders Club.....	Aaron Benton
Weekly Meeting – Tuesday 12:15 PM	
Casmir Middle School Builders Club.....	Dr. Paul Hirano
Weekly Meeting – Monday 3:15 PM	
Richardson Middle School Builders Club. ....	Tony Goorchenko
Weekly Meeting – Tuesday 3:15 PM	

## 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 have benefited from the Torrance Kiwanis Fund raising efforts. These charities are as follows:

- ◆ Aging In Place Seniors Program
- ◆ American Heart Association - Heart Walk LA
- ◆ Disaster Relief (Tsunami & Hurricane Katrina)
- ◆ Harbor UCLA Medical Center Santa's Visit
- ◆ Kiwanis/Benjamin Aranda III Scholarship Fund
- ◆ Kiwanis CAL-NEV-HA Foundation
- ◆ Kiwanis International Foundation
- ◆ L.A. Dept. of Child Services, Christmas Party
- ◆ Pediatric Therapy Network
- ◆ Salvation Army Christmas Bell Ringing
- ◆ Salvation Army Health Faire
- ◆ Special Olympics
- ◆ St Patrick's Day Charity 10 K Run
- ◆ Switzer Education Center
- ◆ Torrance Coordinating Council Scholarships
- ◆ Torrance Education Foundation
- ◆ Torrance YMCA
- ◆ Young Children Immunization Program

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