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THIS WEEK'S MEETING: President Donna Duperron opened the meeting. Dr. Paul Hirano led us in the pledge of allegiance. Gayle CdeBaca was our song leader with "Take Me Out To The Ballgame." Tony Goorchenko blessed the meeting. Winning Raffle Ticket: Harvey Horwich but no joker 50 – 50 Raffle - \$85 collected and the winner was Lisa Applegate Guests: Lucas Fitzgerald, principal Pacific Lutheran High School – guest of Donna. Dorothea Jaster, board member, Pacific Lutheran High School – guest of Donna. Kenny Kelso, City of Torrance – guest of Dave Holper. Judy Moon, parent of THS KIWIN'S president Jessica Moon – guest of Dave Holper. Vi Ballard, Mental Health Provider – guest of David Kuroda. Sheila Hatcher, Connections Counseling Center – guest of David Kuroda. Barbara and Sophia Molino – guest of Tony

NEW MEMBER: Tony Molino inducted Jennifer Frew, sponsored but Donna Duperron, as a new member today. Jennifer is the Community Events Coordinator Public Relations at Green Hills Memorial Park. She has been very active in the community serving on the Pediatric Therapy Network Community Advisory Board, volunteering at YMCA camp, and a graduate of Leadership Torrance in 2004. Jennifer shared that she learned about Kiwanis at the Chamber Business Expo. She is interested in the work we doing making a better world for others. She credits her family for her values and wanting to put her heart and soul into building a pathway to a brighter future. Welcome Jennifer!



Jennifer Frew with sponsor Donna Duperron



Vi Ballard guest



Donna, Dorothea Jaster, board member, Pacific Lutheran High School
Lucas Fitzgerald, principal Pacific Lutheran High School – guest of
President Donna Duperron



(On right) Sophia Molino showing
A gift received from president Donna

PROGRAM: Kenny Kelso, Recreation Supervisor Youth Services, City of Torrance. Kenny has been with the city for twelve years. He was an outstanding baseball player at THS. He thanked us for our service to the community. Kenny gave us a very interesting overview of the Community Services Department at the City. It consists of Park Services, Administrative Services, Library Services, Cultural Services, and Recreation Services. The Department has a 20.9 million dollar budget a year. Interesting facts from Kenny's presentation:

- The S.E. Library has a homework center with free tutoring.
- Nakano Theater (named after George Nakano) hosts dance, martial arts, and several plays.
- Madrona Marsh Preserve now has a Nature Center.
- Benstead Plunge, built in 1956, is a premiere facility in the South Bay. 4,000 kids learn to swim there every year.
- Discovery Park, on Ocean Blvd just south of Sepulveda, is the newest park and is ADA compliant.
- Lago Seco Park hosts numerous community gardens.
- Wilson Park has a gymnasium, roller hockey, batting cages, a skateboard park, a "to-scale" locomotive, and the Annenberg Tree House, which is wheel chair accessible.
- The Attic is a teen center located on Plaza del Amo and Carson.
- And the city offers 14 afterschool programs at TUSD schools.
- WOW! Learn more at www.torrnet.com.



Kenny Kelso & Dave Holper



Speaker Kenny Kelso and guest Judy Moon

Sponsored Youth News

THS KIWIN'S , Dave Holper, needs help chaperoning convention April 11 – 13 at the Marriott in San Ramon and Kevin Paul volunteered. Thanks Kevin.

Casimir Middle School, Paul Hirano, please keep collecting pull tabs. Students are collecting these to send to Ronald McDonald House.

NEW TORRANCE KIWANIS WEB SITE: www.torrancekiwanis.org A special thank you goes to Connie and Brad Horstkotte who have worked on this web site for the last 6 months. Great job and now we can start to market our club and activities to others via the internet.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

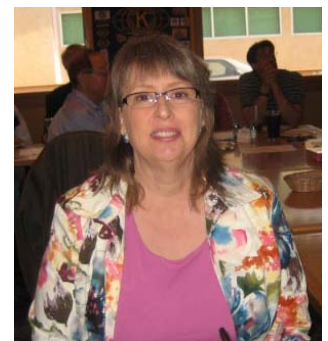
- ✓ **Special Olympics:** Harvey Horwich extended an invitation for Club members to attend the Special Olympics "Kick-Off Dinner" on March 7th at the Toyota Meeting Room at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center. Our Club will be receiving recognition at the dinner. Fifteen of our members will be attending.
- ✓ **CARSON KIWANIS RAFFLE:** Jackie Acosta announced her home club raffle. Kiwanis Club of Carson's 3rd Annual St. Patrick's Day Raffle and you may win BIG money! The odds of winning are 1 in 7...can't get those odds in Vegas! Here is how it works...Tickets cost \$100 each. Only 150 tickets will be sold. \$7,500.00 in cash prizes will be awarded

HAPPY ☺ & SAD ☹ DOLLARS: Judge Mark Arnold –☺Lisa back and he signed the warrant to arrest Paul's neighbor. Adrienne Brown – 2 \$ announcement "Partners in Policing" is starting



again, ☹ for missing 2 meetings, TUSD and all the school districts making cuts. Art Callen – ☺ Lisa's back, ☹ passing of Russ Nolte who was a commissioner on the Aging Commission and considered the father of senior services. Gayle CdeBaca – ☺ The success of Special Guest Day, daughter's ear surgery went well and a hopeful \$ for the State budget. Donna Duperron– ☺ Our guests, new member Jennifer, Lisa and Maureen ☹ Dr. Paul's family, State of Education. Christine Elia – ☺ Beautiful presentation today ☹ Schools and Dr. Paul's family. Jennifer Frew - ☺ To be inducted ☹ Laurie and TUSD. Michael Friedman– ☺ Maureen here, see Paul tomorrow ☹ Paul's family. Tony Goorchenko – ☺

Saw Ed Janik and he is doing well. Steve Hemingway – ☺ Lisa's back, Harvey being on the City's Strategic Plan committee because he can see through any smoke screen. Dr. Paul Hirano - ☹ His sister-in-law passed away, uncle's funeral was yesterday, and the assault weapons and drugs found in his neighborhood. Dave Holper– ☺ Today's program ☹ Our schools. Harvey Horwich – ☺ Ken, our speaker ☹ Funeral for Russ Nolte. Peter Issa, Peter – Wishful dollar that gas dollars went to education ☹ for our schools. Curtis Jones, Jr. – ☺ Tony Molino's Kiwanis on Trial at mid-year convention, 5 new members, Maureen, Sophia, great program, spending time with family in Singapore ☹ loss of Paul's family members, State budget Hopeful dollar that we can raise money to help the Torrance Education Foundation. Tammy Khan - ☺ TUSD cuts. Nadine Koerner – ☺ Excited about dinner Friday night ☹ Laurie and the other administrators. David Kuroda– ☺ His 3 guests filled out membership applications ☹ Gail Hirano Dr. Laurie Love– ☹ State budget. Dolores Lyttle – ☺ Guest Day ☹ State of the State. Milli McFadden - ☺ Arnold Elementary School, Costco's partner is up for CA Distinguished School. Charlotte Melsh, – ☺ Granddaughter's 17th birthday ☹ Grandkids in Torrance schools and sorry about the budget. Tony Molino – ☺ Lisa ☹ Class size going up in Torrance. Pastor Glen Moore– ☺ Good to be here. Kevin Paul – ☺ Lisa, happy to pull together and help THS ☹ TUSD. Tony Potenti – ☺ To be here and our guests. Bob Zappelli– ☺ Lakers ☹ Had to leave early. Maureen Watson – 20 ☺ \$ to be here. Judy Moon - ☺ Kevin for chaperoning and the services the city provides. Kenny Kelso - ☺ 2 siblings with medical issues are back home. Lucas Fitzgerald - ☹ One of their students was in a car accident and is in a coma. Dorothea Jaster – Hopeful \$ that the Lutheran Church on Prairie finds a pastor. Sophia Molino - ☺ Thank you for buying Girl Scout cookies.



Guest Shelia Hatcher

CALENDAR DATE TO MARK



- March 15th – Kiwanis Regional Conference, Hawthorne Memorial Center
- April 5th – Kiwanis One Day
- April 25th – Service Organization Lunch.
- May 10th – Special Olympics at West High School
- May 18th – Texas Hold 'Em Tournament
- May 27th – Scholarship Luncheon
- June 3rd – Brotherhood Luncheon- LA Laker Great A.C. Greene honored
- July – Happy 20th Anniversary Torrance Kiwanis Celebration

2008 REGIONAL CONFERENCE – Metro Region 8: Hawthorne Memorial Center, 3901 West El Segundo Blvd. Hawthorne, CA 90250 Saturday, March 15th - Noon to 3:00 PM, Admission Free. We need 2 Delegates from each club, but everyone is invited

A Few Reasons Why You Should Attend

- ☆ Vote on our Trustee that will represent us at District Board Meetings
- ☆ Support the new Metro Region for our Kiwanis Clubs
- ☆ DCM Attendance Credit
- ☆ Inter-club credit is available
- ☆ Information on Upcoming Conventions
- ☆ Information on the Kiwanis Doctor's Program
- ☆ Entertainment
- ☆ Socialize with Kiwanians from our new Metro Region

SPONSORED YOUTH PROGRAMS: Interested in working with our sponsored youth? We can always use more members to help us with our 700+ Sponsored Youth in the Torrance Schools. Please contact our member advisers if you can lend a hand.

High School Clubs

North High Key Club.....	John Hernandez
South High KIWIN'S	Bob Zappelli
Torrance High KIWIN'S.....	Dave Holper
West High Key Club.....	Kevin Paul

Member Advisor

Middle Schools

H. Hull M S Builders Club
Jefferson MS Builders Club
Casmir MS Builders Club
Richardson MS Builders Club

Member Advisor

Charlotte Melsh
Aaron Benton
Dr. Paul Hirano
Tony Goorchenko



KIWANIS BROTHERHOOD LUNCHEON HONORS A.C. GREEN:

Mark your calendar for **June 3rd** to attend the Brotherhood Luncheon, at the Double Tree Hotel in Torrance as we honor A. C. Green for his work with children in the community through his A.C. Green Foundation. A.C. currently owns the NBA Iron Man title, having played in 1,192 straight games and played in his 1000th game on March 13, 1999. A.C. won three championships with the Lakers spanning three decades. A.C. heart is dedicated to working with youth. Because of his love for young people, A.C. established the A.C. Green Youth Foundation in 1989, with the main focus on sexual abstinence education. Through his "I've Got The Power" and "Game Plan" abstinence curriculum, videos, leadership camps, and Club. AC.com youth web site, A.C.'s mission is to help young people build self-esteem. Please join us on June 3rd.



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One Can Make A Difference

"Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time."



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 are moving walls to give him a shower that he can use and make other modifications to 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.



PROJECT COMPLETION CELEBRATION: All Torrance Kiwanians are invited on **April 28th 1:00 PM** at the Torrance Library. The City of Torrance will be Honoring everyone that volunteered to make this wonderful project happen. This includes the Torrance Kiwanis, the ASID Designers, the contractors and people/companies that made donations. Mayor Scotto and Councilwoman Witkowsky will also be in attendance. Please join us in this celebration.



TORRANCE CHAMBER EVENT: Fireside Chat with Los Angeles District Attorney Steve Cooley, March 18th at the Torrance Holiday Inn 19800 S. Vermont Avenue. \$35 for Chamber members, \$45 for non-members. If you go as a Kiwanian since we are chamber members you will save \$10. For more information contact Steve Hemmingway at 310-433-2173 or the chamber at 310-540-5858.

Are **YOU** the one?

This truly is an exciting time to be a part of Kiwanis.

Clubs are increasing their service to children and communities worldwide and reporting thousands of success stories.

They are building parks, stocking school libraries, providing scholarships, recognizing elementary school students through Kiwanis' Terrific Kids and Bring Up Grades programs. And more. There still are children who need our help. The most effective way to reach these children is through expanding the Kiwanis membership in your club. Will you accept the challenge? Are you the one to make a difference in your community?



Make a difference. Change the world one child and one community at a time.

FUNNY PAGE

TONY MOLINO'S TOP 10 SIGNS YOU'VE HIRED THE WRONG FITNESS COACH

10. Insists a bag of Doritos is necessary for doing crunches.
9. Tells you to "feel the burn" while you are drinking a shot of tequila.
8. Those aren't typos on his business card; he really does work for "Belly Total Fatness."
7. His IM alias: PastramiKing
6. The skinny bastard can't seem to compliment your progress without adding "... for a fat guy."
5. Insists that "Calisthenics" is book by L. Ron Hubbard.
4. "What say you cut this set short and help me polish off this box of jelly-filledds?"
3. He uses a French fry as a bookmark in the training manual.
2. Makes a beeping noise like a truck backing up every time you walk across the room.
1. Gets winded unwrapping his cigarettes.

GREAT PHOTO (submitted by Barbara Molino)



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, Community Center, 801 Carson St. (1st & 3rd 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, 7th 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, Delzano's 179 Harbor Drive, 1:00 PM

INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT OFFICERS 2006-2007

International President Dave Curry
 CAL-NEV-HA District Governor Oscar Knight
 Division 19 Lt. Governor Pat Kearney
 Division 19 Lt. Gov. Elect..... Curtis Jones, Jr.

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.....	Charlotte Melsh
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
- ◆ Toy for the Troops' Kids
- ◆ Young Children Immunization Program

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