

THE TALK OF TORRANCE

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TODAY'S MEETING: Vice-President Dave Holper opened the meeting. The Pledge was led by Adrienne Brown. Song leader was Kevin Paul with "God Bless America." John Hernandez provided our inspirational message. **Guest today** were Dr. Rebecca Foo, Executive Director Switzer Learning Center, Rosario Vasquez and Maria Negron from Costco guest of Milli McFadden, Lynnette Perez guest and sister of Carina Sokolich, Terry Hughes, counselor Shery High School, Louis Mele and Arielle Huizar, students of the month from Shery High School. Raffle Winners Steve Hemmingway and he pulled the joker. Dolores Lyttle won the 50/50.

(on right) Connie Horstkotte
with Dr. Rebecca Foo



MEETING NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Thank you to Costco for bringing cookies for us to enjoy.
- Dave Holper read a nice thank you letter from Luke Gregory for the South Bay Children's Choir scholarship.
- Michael Friedman announced that we have five more clubs that we will try and have InterClubs with in the next few months. They are Lawndale, LAX, San Pedro, Rolling Hills, and Gardena.
- Tony Goorchenko informed us that the Kiwanis Prayer Breakfast will be Thursday, May 28th in Carson. More information will be coming.
- Laurie Love reminded everyone that the Scholarship Luncheon is next Tuesday at the Doubletree Hotel, 21333 Hawthorne Blvd. If you have not signed up and plan to attend let Laurie know ASAP.
- Congratulations Stephanie Yee on your appointment as the next year's Club Secretary.
- Terry Hughes introduced the Shery Students of the Month. Arielle Huizar will be returning to THS in the Fall. She plans to major in journalism in college. Louis Mele will be graduating this year. He plans to attend El Camino College, study criminal justice, and transfer to a 4-year college. Congratulations to these students.



Louis Mele and Arielle Huizar, Terry Hughes, counselor Shery High School

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Dr. Rebecca Foo, Executive Director, Switzer Learning Center
Dr. Foo joined the Switzer Center in 1988 and became executive director in 1994. A licensed psychologist, Dr. Foo has been honored as 2006 California Woman of the Year by the California State Legislature for her work with children with special needs and her leadership in the field of special education. Volunteers are needed. Here are a few of the areas where you can help:

- ♥ Join the Board of Directors or Board Committees
- ♥ Speak at graduation, student assemblies or career day
- ♥ Participate in one of our annual events
- ♥ Nominate a Woman of the Year
- ♥ Bring a foursome to the Red Balloon Golf Tournament
- ♥ Become an advisor in your area of expertise
- ♥ Help out in the cafeteria for Maison Mondays or Salad Bar Wednesdays
- ♥ Mentor a student
- ♥ Teach a class in drama, art, photography, woodworking, cooking or music
- ♥ Coach a Switzer team
- ♥ Help out in the offices or prepare mailing
- ♥ Adopt a family during the holidays

The highlight of Dr. Foo's presentation was her compelling story of her triumph over adversity. The following is a paraphrase of her heartfelt story. Dr. Foo came from a dysfunctional family with 3 brothers and sisters, all who had different fathers. Her family situation included abuse and no one recognizing she was capable. She grew up in Riverside, one of 3 Asian students in her graduating class of 1000. She married right out of high school into an abusive situation. She didn't meet her own Dad until she was 24. At age 23 she met her Henry Higgins who made her do things she never would have considered. She enrolled at El Camino, started learning, and decided to become a psychologist. She has degrees from both the University of Southern California and Stanford University. What a remarkable story of hope and determination. Thank you Dr. Foo for sharing with us.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- ★ **May 19th** – Scholarship Luncheon at Double Tree Hotel. Please let us know if you are attending.
- ★ **May 28th** – Division 19 Prayer Breakfast at Carson Community Center.
- ★ **June 13th-14th** Special Olympics' Summer Games at Long Beach State. See Gayle CdeBaca for info.
- ★ **September 13th** - Texas Hold 'Em Fund Raiser



(On Left) Rosario Vasquez and Maria Negron from Costco guest of Milli McFadden

(On Right) Lynnette Perez guest and sister of Carina Sokolich





HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS: Bob Abelson – ☺ His brother collecting pop tops for Kiwanis, Paul didn't tell a joke but he had one – How do prisoners communicate? With cell phones. ☺ Phil Cook and I had a bet and he didn't show up today and he owes me nickel. Judge Mark Arnold – ☺ Had heard of Switzer and is looking forward to helping. John Boyko - ☺ Guests and Dr. Foo and her remarkable story. Adrienne Brown, Adrienne – ☺ Amazed at the Shery students, Dr. Foo thank you for sharing and our other guests, Dave's manner of conducting our meeting. Art Callen– ☺ 2 years ago did a show on Switzer and the fantastic job they do, hopeful dollar for the Lakers. Gayle CdeBaca– ☺ Shery students, Switzer Center ☺ Construction site for the new bank, a water main erupted and took out all their curb prep work. Christine Elia – ☺ Dr. Foo, Happy Mother's Day, kids spoiled me. Jennifer Frew – ☺ Dr. Foo and her presentation, the students, conversation with her Kiwanis friends at the Medal of Valor Luncheon, upcoming Memorial Day. Michael Friedman, – ☺ Very happy and proud to see students knowing they will be come meaningful productive members of society, proud of them and wishes them luck, Dr. Foo. Tony Goorchenko – ☺ Wife's aunt turned 100 last week. Kay Grundhaus - ☺ Will be on vacation for a few weeks. Steve Hemingway – ☺ Dr. Foo, liked the talk better than seeing a video, Arielle and Louis. John Hernandez– ☺ Dr. Foo's great story, Peter coming by yesterday, thanks for the donation. Paul Hirano – ☺ To be here, happy that Michael is happy, in New York last week for his 25th anniversary, Dr. Foo what is your professional opinion about the person sitting across from you (who happened to be doing Happy/Sad \$)? Dr. Foo proclaims him to be a certified character. Dave Holper – ☺ Terry bringing our student guests, Dr. Foo, and our other guests, read a note "I don't have to pay Abelson the stinky nickel", from Tuna. Connie Horstkotte – ☺ Dr. Foo is an inspiration, wonderful kids from Shery. Harvey Horwich – ☺ Dr. Foo and the marvelous work, son was a student there. Peter Issa – ☺ Dr. Foo, to see you again, Miss California. David Kuroda – ☺ Dr. Foo's Henry Higgins story and now she is a Henry Higgins to her students after receiving degrees from USC and Stanford. Laurie Love – ☺ Who picked the Happy/Sad person? Lisa Luna – ☺ Hearing about Dr. Foo. Dolores Lyttle – ☺ Dr. Foo and the Switzer Center. Milli McFadden- ☺ Nice day today, maybe can get the homeless Switzer student a job. Charlotte Melsh – ☺ Granddaughter at THS a Special Education student is receiving an award at the Academic Achievement night. ☺ She won't be there to see it. Kevin Paul, Kevin – ☺ Dr. Foo's church angel that was her mentor, new play Hamlet 2 in San Pedro. Phyllis Rogers - ☺ The wonderful things Switzer is doing, more than she expected, son getting ready to graduate from 5th grade at Torrance Elementary, it is a great school with a great principal. Amanda Schwabenbauer - ☺ Older son got his first real paycheck ☺ Stephanie is returning to work next week, she has been honored to be here and will continue to volunteer when she can. Kim Smith – ☺ Finished his 1st outrigger race with the best skipper ☺ Came in dead last. Carina Sokolich – ☺ Guests, Dr. Foo, my sister thanks for the warm welcome ☺ last meeting before her baby arrives, will be missing us. Cathy Towers – ☺ Family took wonderful care of me on Mother's Day, friends from Shery, Dr. Foo thanks for sharing. Guests: Rebecca Foo – 10 ☺ \$ John Hernandez for helping to find a home for her student, Mark Arnold for being willing to speak to her students, Milli McFadden for the cookies and Gayle CdeBaca helping with their Olympic Day. Terry Hughes - ☺ Switzer, Kiwanis for inviting us each month to recognize our students of the month. Arielle Huizar - ☺ We are very nice and funny people.

2009 SPONSORED LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS: Interested in working with our sponsored youth? We need advisors to help us with our 800+ Sponsored Youth in the Torrance Schools. Please contact our member advisors if you can lend a hand.

Club

- North High Key Club..... John Hernandez
- South High KIWIN'S Eric Harris
- Torrance High KIWIN'S..... Dave Holper
- West High Key Club..... Cathy Towers
- Bishop Montgomery Key Club.... Tony Goorchenko/Liberty Thyme
- Richardson MS Builders Club..... Tony Goorchenko

Kiwanis Chair



PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Submitted by Past LTG Pat Kearney

CAL-NEV-HA KIWANIS AND KI FOUNDATION NEWS



The “Kiwaniis Doctor” Program: With the backing of a \$186,000 grant from the Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation trains doctors in the field of Pediatric Emergency Medicine. The doctors that have gone through this program then collaborated with Kiwanis Clubs to provide training in the field of pediatric trauma to paramedics, nurses and physicians in rural areas of the Cal-Nev-Ha District. The goal of the Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellowship is simple: Save the lives of children by training doctors about the latest in pediatric treatment. For more information go to www.cnhfoundation.org

Kiwanis

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

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

2010 KIWANIS ROSE FLOAT: The Kiwanis International Rose Float provides an opportunity for 8,000 Key Club, Kiwin's, Circle K, Builders Club, and Kiwanis members to decorate the float and 10 additional floats throughout December. The Fellowship Medallion Program. Donations of \$1000 go into a restricted fund and the interest is then used for future floats. If you donate, you also receive a handsome medallion to proudly wear at Kiwanis functions. For more info go to www.kiwanisrosefloat.com.



Nashville

June 25-28

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION: June 25th to 28th in Nashville, Tennessee. For more information and to book your hotel go to www.kiwanisone.org.

CAL-NEV-HA KIWANIS DISTRICT CONVENTION: August 13th -15th, 2009, Town and Country Resort & Convention Center, San Diego, CA.

For More Info go to www.cnhkiwanis.org

TORRANCE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S BUSINESS WATCH



The Torrance Police Department has been working on more effective means to update the Community with information regarding crime trends, crime prevention information and other information we believe the community wants to know. To that end, we have developed an e-mail database that we use to send this information out in the form of links to our website where the flyers and other information is posted. To receive the information, you need to request to be added to the database. All names and email addresses we receive are kept confidential and are not shared with anyone. We use the email database only to send out important information, not for any solicitation.

We have also begun to try other forms of communicating with the Community. Approximately one month ago, we began to use "Twitter" to get information out. This is currently a pilot project to see if it is a viable means of communication for us. If you are not familiar with "Twitter" you can find out more by going to <http://twitter.com>. Twitter is a free service that you need to sign up for. You only need to put in basic information to set up an account and you are not asked for any sensitive information. Once signed up, you can choose to "follow" Torrance PD and receive all updates via e-mail and/or text message on your phone. To view the Torrance PD Twitter site, go to <http://twitter.com/TorrancePD>

If you have any questions or if you want to sign up for the e-mail database, please let me know. Also, please feel free to forward this email to anyone you think might be interested in it.



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FUNNY PAGE

TOP 10 SURPRISES IN THE NEW STAR TREK MOVIE

10. The very first Starfleet Academy looks an awful lot like Mrs. Kirk's basement.
9. Young Scotty cries his eyes out when his Pinewood Derby car came in dead last.
8. Kirk marks human territory on new planets by urinating and exclaiming, "Just going where no man has gone before!"
7. To Leonard Nimoy's dismay, focus groups consider new Spock to be 20 percent Spockier.
6. Shatner's cameo as The Prime Negotiator on planet Priceline.
5. Sulu becomes noticeably aroused at every mention of the Captain's log.
4. Because of continuing fallout from the soaring national debt, the bold 5-year mission was reduced to a single weekend in Tijuana.
3. Enterprise warranty voided when General Starships files for Chapter 11.
2. Sulu was the first person admitted to Star Fleet under the new "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" program.
1. Adorable little Tribbles have been replaced by the Satanic Spawn of the Evil Octomom.

FIRST VICTIM IN UNITED STATES TO DIE OF SWINE FLU



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
- ♥ 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
- ♥ Pediatric Therapy Network
- ♥ Red Ribbon Week
- ♥ Salvation Army Christmas Bell Ringing
- ♥ Salvation Army 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 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- Manhattan Beach Country Club..... 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-Hanks Bistro, 14406 Hawthorne Blvd.(1st & 3rd Wed.) 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-Elks Lodge, 1735 W. 162 Street. Gardena, 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- (Rebuilding)

INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT OFFICERS 2008-2009

- International President Don Canady
 CAL-NEV-HA District Governor Dan Connolly
 Division 19 Lt. Governor Al Hoagland
 Division 19 Lt. Gov. Elect..... Pat Love

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	Eric Harris Weekly Meeting -Friday at Noon
Torrance High KIWIN'S.....	Dave Holper Weekly Meeting -Tuesday at Noon
West High Key Club.....	Cathy Towers Weekly Meeting – Friday at Noon
Bishop Montgomery High Key Club...	Tony Goorchenko/Liberty Thyme
Richardson Middle School Builders Club.	Tony Goorchenko Weekly Meeting – Tuesday 3:15 PM
Terrific Kids Program.....	Christine Elia Key Leader..... Steve Hemingway & Connie Horstkotte

CLUB INFORMATION

CLUB OFFICERS 2008-2009

President Donna Duperron
First V.P. Dave Holper
Second V.P. Kevin Paul
Treasurer..... Gayle CdeBacca
Secretary..... Steve Hemmingway
Immediate Past-Pres..... Curtis Jones, Jr.
Foundation Treasurer..... Phil Cook

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2008-2010 TERM
Judge Mark Arnold
Dr. Laurie Love
2007-2009 TERM
Connie Horstkotte
Cathy Towers
Bob Zappelli

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Newsletter Laurie Love/Tony Molino
Santa's Visit Tony Goorchenko
Terrific Kids..... Christine Elia
Community Service..... Gayle CdeBacca
Texas Hold 'EM..... Charlotte Melsh
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