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**Preserving Yesterday,
Reporting Today**

Kiwanis
La Mirada

**Serving the Children of
the World**
**La Mirada Kiwanis Club,
La Mirada, CA**

All That Glitters

Our Speaker of the morning, introduced by President Steve was PAT ROJAS. Pat's background in Real Estate and finance is extensive but he admits his methods of today result from losing over a million some years ago. Losing a million is a good motivator. He brought along a number of books that he recommends. (Contact him for the exact titles.) He also suggests a securities company in which he has confidence.

His interests are wide and varied and he threw in facts about the Battle of Midway and Pearl Harbor that showed the results of ignoring the advice of junior officers. He encourages us to read up on the ways to invest. He talked of the difference between currency and real money. That which is just printed and that which has the backing of gold. He noted that the percentage of loss in value of the dollar since 1913 is around 97%. This is the year the Federal Reserve was instituted. (At the urging of Senator Aldrich, the maternal grandfather of Nelson Rockefeller.) Germany went off the gold standard and saw its currency drop well over the 97% mark. One ounce of gold in 1914 cost about 100 marks. Today the number of zeros after the one is staggering. He mentioned other books that cover these subjects.

Pat talked of the Battle of Waterloo that helped the Rothschilds. They increased their wealth by knowing how the battle came out. This is perhaps the first instance of inside trading. It is important to be ready for the future. "The prudent man sees the evil and hides himself," he quoted. In the area of inflation he quoted the automobile and a 1973 Caprice fully loaded that he purchased with all the available finery for a price that is now about one tenth of today's cost.

He warned that there is a call for a one world currency which would include the dollar and be an extension of the Euro. This would be a part of the International Monetary Fund. If your currency is controlled outside of your country so is your country.

Pat suggests that we invest in silver and gold as a hedge against inflation. Review your objectives every year. Asking for a one world currency makes him nervous, but he again suggests we study on our own and make decisions that are best for our own unique situation. The question was asked, why not a one world currency in that the Euro seems to be working well in European nations. Pat replied that it would take away the sovereignty of our nation and he does not want to be here when that happens.

He also noted the act to stop foreclosures. This is the same as happened in 1933. There were some 5000 banks that closed during the depression. In the past three years we are approaching 500. He said that in 2008 there was over 180 billion dollars pulled out of banks.

His job is to warn that we be prudent. He works now on behalf of his grandchildren's future.

We thank Pat for this sobering look at today's world.

California Coastal Cleanup

(A Belated Report)

The California Coastal Cleanup is the premier volunteer event that focuses on protecting our state's marine environment. Volunteers removed trash and non-native plants.

Together with the International Coastal Cleanup, the California Coastal Cleanup becomes part of the largest annual volunteer events. Representatives from Kiwanis of La Mirada participated at the California Coastal Cleanup 2010 that took place on Saturday, September 25, 2010.

(This was reported by SKIP RICARTE, but missed getting into the Chronicles.)

Grins and Grimaces-Oct.13th

President STEVE FORSTER opened the meeting by having ART LESLIE lead us in the Pledge. Dr. ED NORMAN gave the Invocation and PAT RUIZ led us in "You're a Grand Old Flag."

When it came time to fork lift the dollars, REED TAYLOR was there with his finely tuned machine. He started with GERALD PEEBLER who gave for no rain, noting that it rains in the winter time. He added one for the Club. LOU PILTZ gave one for no rain and then there was another for no rain. TED CEASU gave for a great weekend where the there was a get-together of his wife's family and a picture was taken of five generations.

TONY ARMAS gave for successful cataract surgery. ART LESLIE gave for Reed not having his suspenders on. PAT ROJAS gave for his daughter's marriage. PETER CHOW gave for a visit to the Air and Space Museum. He was impressed at all there was to see. He added for the rescue of the miners. Pastor JACK MIRANDA gave for the great Club. AMY SCHEIBEL gave for a lunch and PAT RUIZ gave for the miners' rescue. Dr. ED NORMAN gave for the efficiency of the collector and for a trip to New England.

STEVE FORSTER gave for the (Cincinnati) Red's lights being out, for a Notre Dame win, for USC and for hunting coming up. REED TAYLOR gave for his knees improving thanks to an old family secret medicine available at all pharmacies passed on by Doris Royston.

Harlan Comee Reports In

"Just a note to let you know that my daughter made me a grandfather Tuesday morning. A healthy boy weighing in at 7.6 pounds and 19 inches. Mother, baby AND father are all fine." (He didn't say how Granddad was doing.)



Giving Children Hope

A continuing session for the "Giving Children Hope" project will happen on Sat. Oct. 23 from 9 to noon on Commonwealth close to the Fullerton airport. This organization is a very active one as they put together back packs that have a weeks supply of goods for children who are considered homeless. The children return last week's empty back pack and in return receive a full one.

The organization also sponsors food drives and volunteers are encouraged to participate. La Mirada Kiwanians as well as La Mirada High Key Clubbers are active in this project.

Some Pictures taken by the Key Club at Last Month's "Giving Children Hope"



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The Objects of Kiwanis International

To give primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than to the 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 higher 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 co-operate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and goodwill.

The La Mirada Kiwanis Club is the home club of the following Past Lt. Governors : Dr. ED NORMAN, CARY MAYER and HARLAN COMEE and at one time was the home club of: HAL BENVENISTE, IRWIN KAISER, FRANK MCCOY, and GEORGE HARRISON, all Past Lt. Governors of Div. 30. It is the home club of Lt. Gov. DEBBIE SCHEIBEL



Legend:

Board Meeting 
 Today's Date 
 Evening Meeting 

October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Announcements

October 21-Bingo at Mirada Hills

November 11-Bingo at Imperial

December 9-Children's Shopping Spree

Anniversary: October 14 Pastor JACK MIRANDA,

Birthdays: October 30-JESSE URQUIDI

50/50 was won by AMY SCHEIBEL and the jar of pure maple butter that was donated by Dr. Ed was won by REED TAYLOR.

Calendar-Regular Meetings

Every Wednesday Morning

7:15 AM Gateway Holiday Inn

Monthly Evening Meeting-First Thursday

Volunteer Center Suite 4 (11900 La Mirada Blvd.)

7:00 PM