

The Kiwanis Chronicles

News of the Club and the Community it Serves

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**Preserving Yesterday,
Reporting Today**

**Kiwanis
La Mirada**

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

Separation of Church and State

Our speaker of the morning was Warren Willis, who unsuccessfully ran for State Senate in the 30th District. He was introduced by PAT ROJAS who commented that Warren has a heart for the people. Warren started by saying that America has lost a few things in recent years and he concentrated on the fact that our founding fathers were believers in a creator. He quoted George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Patrick Henry, Andrew Jackson and Noah Webster to prove his point.

Warren has been active in the "Campus Crusade for Christ" for the past 44 years including ten years spent in Outer Mongolia. He came back because he thought America was slipping from its original direction. He grew up in Los Angeles and he began a program to encourage youths to speak out in school.

He noted that the term which has become popular, "Separation of Church and State" is not in the Constitution. The Constitution simply says that the government shall not establish a single religion, such as was the case in England at the time of the Revolutionary War.

He countered the concept that religion cannot be talked about in school. Anyone can tell anyone what they believe; they cannot tell anyone that they, too, have hold a certain belief.

He told of going to Biola and encouraging students there to return to their high school campuses and talk to the students. He has a group of attorneys ready to back up the students as they go. A booklet has been prepared to give the students an outline of the prevailing rules.

He gave as a reason for the falling standards in schools the exclusion of religion since the 60s. He listed the Christian faiths and the effect they should have on their representatives in Washington and the Statehouse. He complained that their Sunday belief does not coincide with the views of the person they elect to represent them.

He ended by saying that in the pursuit of being nice, we will end up like most of the countries in Europe.

Canned Food Drive

Don't forget the continuing canned food drive by the club to help those the Dulles K-Kids and La Mirada Key Club are and will be doing. The food drives will benefit Good Sam Pantry at Beatitudes and possibly "Giving Children Hope" in Buena Park. Make it a part of your weekly meeting.

Shopping Spree at Sears

We continue to pass around the Shopping Spree list to recruit signers to chaperone and to donate to the Sears Shopping Spree for Kids on December 9. Each child will be treated to \$100 worth of clothing and a breakfast at Ruby's. We will have around 50 kids to help shop. This is a major event and we look to the Key Club as a major supplier of chaperones. So far 18 Kiwanians have signed up to chaperone and 16 to donate \$1800 to support the kids.

Maddi's Closet Mad Dash a Success

TOM THORNTON gave a preliminary report that the Mad Dash netted around \$7000 last week

Placentia Membership Drive

Dr. ED NORMAN, working with our Lt. Governor has ongoing plans to establish a Kiwanis Club in Placentia. One of his devices involves members from other Clubs giving names of friends and acquaintances living in Placentia to be potential members. You do not have to make the call to them yourself, just give the name and number.

Grins and Grimaces-Nov. 17th

ALAN MORRISON stood in for the deer hunting STEVE FORSTER and opened the meeting promptly at 7:15 AM. BILL DAWSON was asked to lead us in the Pledge and Dr. ED NORMAN gave the Invocation. PAT RUIZ and Dr. MIKE WINTER led us in singing "God Bless America."

When the drilling for dollars began, Dr. Mike was asked to do some clean-up work and he started with PAT RUIZ. She gave for our morning speaker. Dr. ED NORMAN gave for his presentation concerning the new club in Placentia. GENE GLEASON, who gets his kicks in a number of ways, gave for a trip to a Galaxy game. He was truly impressed by their star Beckham.

DEBBIE SCHEIBEL gave for things looking up in business as one of their old customers returned to the fold with gusto. RICH TRUJILLO gave to promote the Christmas trees being sold by the La Mirada Softball team. TONY ARMAS gave for being a cut-up as he displayed a bandaged thumb. PETER CHOW gave a buck in anticipation of missing next week. PAT ROJAS gave a Happy Buck.

GERALD PEEBLER gave a buck for a busy Club. He reported on an Interclub at La Palma and one of their projects where \$30,000 was raised to help a family that had suffered a tragedy. While a buck wasn't passed you could sense the anticipation of a predicted rain this weekend. LOU PILTZ gave for missing the Mad Dash. RON KNIGHT left some dollars to celebrate arriving late and leaving early. BILL DAWSON gave for a trip to the desert. Dr. JERY ROODZANT gave for UCLA Sports including Football and basketball. (He didn't mention fencing at UCLA where the Scribe's grandson pokes around.) ALAN MORRISON gave for our morning speaker.

Harvey Says:

Now that the election is over, it's time to remember that our National emblem is not a hoot owl, a screech owl or a crow. It's the great bald eagle and its baldness resists having anyone try to part its scalp toward the left or the right.

Greater Anaheim Thanksgiving Day Meeting

Greater Anaheim will hold its regular meeting at the usual Thursday time on Thanksgiving Day. This is usually a day to visit Greater Anaheim, join in the festivities and check off an Inter Club.

An E-Mail received from Dana Taylor, wife of David

Hi Friends--

I'm sending this message to a short list of folks who know me personally and have been supportive in the past. I'm hoping some of you will participate in the book launch of my holiday story, [SHINY GREEN SHOES](#). I'm asking you to download it from Amazon and write a positive review. Those reviews really make a difference!

The story can be read in about half an hour, if you aren't already familiar with it. I'm planning on getting the audio version available soon. If you don't have a Kindle, there are applications for I-Phone, PC's, etc.

This project is pretty much turning into the Miracle Medical Fund for my broken leg and ankle. Our insurance expired at the end of August and we were working on getting David's in place before securing mine because I am the healthy one, right? Ironically, he received a phone call saying he'd been approved for his health insurance while waiting at the Branson hospital for my surgery. Currently bills are about 20 grand.

The theme of [Shiny Green Shoes](#) is "dreams do come true." Paying off the medical bills from the sales of books, is certainly a TALL order. But, with God (and friends) all things are possible.

Of course, feel free to tell your e-list about a charming holiday story named [Shiny Green Shoes](#)!

Thanks so much for your support!

Dana

Treat yourself to the holiday short story [SHINY GREEN SHOES](#). Just 99 cents!

Thanksgiving

At this time of the year we pause to give thanks for all the blessings we enjoy. Certainly the first that come to mind are family, friends and country. Each of us look out and see those who make our life a bit better.

One of the continuing joys is Kiwanis meetings and the people who make it the cohesive unit that it is. When any one is missing we ache a bit from the omission.

The Scribe thanks those who help with the bulletin, especially PAT RUIZ and BRIAN ILTEN at PIP.

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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 ◇

November 2010

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December 2010

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Announcements

December 9-Children's Shopping Spree
 December 9-Bingo at Imperial
 December 16-Bingo at Mirada Hills

Anniversary: Nov. 25- BRIAN ILTEN, Nov. 27-TOM THORNTON, Nov. 29-PAT ROJAS

Birthdays: Nov, 7-RICHARD RIVERA, Nov. 14-LOU PILTZ, Nov. 15-TONY ARMAS

50/50 Winner: was REED TAYLOR and as he had earlier departed, consensus gave to winnings to the Fire Truck Fund.

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