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**Preserving Yesterday,
Reporting Today**

Kiwanis
La Mirada

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

Whittier Daily News

PAT RUIZ introduced our speaker of the morning, Tim Traeger. Tim is the editor of the Whittier Daily News which is a member of the San Gabriel Valley Newspaper Group. He has been a working journalist for the past twenty-five years, working as sports editor of the Burbank Leader and as editor for the Burbank Leader, the Glendale News-Press and Foothill Leader. He worked at the Tahoe Daily Tribune and then at the Pasadena Star-News and then on to the Whittier Daily News and the San Gabriel Valley Tribune.

Tim complimented the City of La Mirada on its beauty and thought it would be a great place to live. He loves his work even though newspapers are hurting at the moment. The Internet takes a lot of the blame for this. Why would anyone buy a newspaper subscription when they can get it free on the Internet. There are 16,000 journalists out of work.

He suggested that local newspapers can be responsible for a more educated electorate as those running for office become a part of the local news. Cities with local coverage stand out.

Tim told of one incident at Tahoe where he was on duty at the time when Sonny Bono was killed while skiing. He covered the event and ended up the next day on Larry King Live. He answered questions including receiving thanks for covering our local news such as the Kiwanis Meals-On-Wheels dinner. There were points made as how to increase sales and the lack of persons coming into the industry from our schools who are able to put together coherent sentences..

We thank Tim for bringing us up to date on the Whittier Daily News and are looking forward to its continued coverage of La Mirada news.

Meals-On-Wheels Dinner

The annual Meals-On-Wheels Dinner sponsored by the La Mirada Kiwanis Club with dessert by the Ebell Club took place Friday evening at the La Mirada High School Multi-Purpose Room. Some 250 persons were treated to a spaghetti dinner and a stage show that included some of the dance troop from the Palm Spring Follies.

There were helpers galore including the Key Clubs, and Positive Alternative. Kiwanians who checked in were TONY AIELLO, TONY & Mary Carmen ARMAS, SHERRY BRAKEBILL, PETER & SYLVIA CHOW, RUFFO & Gabriela ESPINOSA, STEVE FORSTER, ART LESLIE, JIM MCGIRR, Dr. ED NORMAN, GERALD & Harriette PEEBLER, LOU & Silvia PILTZ, Dr. JERRY ROODZANT. MARK & Doris ROYSTON, PAT RUIZ, AMY SCHEIBEL, DEBBIE & father, Fred SCHEIBEL, REED & Betty TAYLOR, TOM THORNTON, JOHN TOVAR, RICH TRUJILLO, and Dr. MIKE & Sheri WINTER.

High Schoolers helping that signed in were Ariana Ricarte, Selinna Williams, Patrice Dunn, Simon Flessahoye, Amanda Barajas, Priscilla Lee, Eric Nimma, Joel Rivera, David Ly, Troy Taylor, Samary Castro, Starla Macasil, Jeaninah Vilela, Mayra Matai, Paola Gutierrez, Marrison Wu, Steven Soto, Victoria Gravia, and Richard Chung.

As always, Bon Appétit of Biola University donated the food. We thank the Place Mat sponsors and the Ebell Club. We thank Jim Murvin from the school who is always generous with his time and energy in setting up the tables and clean up afterwards. The entertainment was great. JIM MCGIRR brought a lot of door prizes and sold some 150 of the 50/50 tickets.

LOU PILTZ chaired the event and as always, made it look easy. Dr. Ed coordinated getting the food from Bon Appétit. There were lots of door prizes and the 50/50 winner took home over \$200.

Grins and Grimaces-Jan. 27

President Jerry opened the meeting by asking Lt. Governor GEORGE HALLAK to lead us in the Pledge. Dr. ED NORMAN gave the Invocation and PAT RUIZ and Dr. MIKE WINTER led us in "America."

When it came time for the pockets to be picked, GENE GLEASON was the one called on to do the collecting. He started off by telling of his shooting par on his last outing, even though it was the 14th hole before it occurred. LOU PILTZ gave even though he left his wallet at home. REED TAYLOR gave for his 62 years of marriage, claiming that Betty should have an endurance award for the event.

GERALD PEEBLER gave \$10 for the rain, but only one for wife Harriette attending the meeting with him. (That should get him some cold dinners as the barometer falls.) SHERRY BRAKEBILL gave for the Toyota recall and for her loving the rain. LA DONNA MUNIER gave for job losses and IRA promotions.. PETER CHOW gave for the beginning of Duck Season, for the Trojan dominance over the Bruins and for a friend in Haiti who was joining the others looking for food.

Pastor JACK MIRANDA gave for the generosity of the Club and that of the Nation. He added one for Reed and his bride of 62 years. Dr. MIKE WINTER gave for our guests and for the Whittier Christian Key Club..John, Pastor Jack's guest, gave for meeting new friends. AMY SCHEIBEL gave for the weather. STEVE FORSTER gave for the end of Duck season and the beginning of Duck season. He added one relating to lateness. Dr. ED NORMAN made sure Steve got his duck by giving him one of the ducks from our upcoming Duck Race. JIM MCGIRR gave for our great club. PAT RUIZ, seeing the acknowledgement of other institutions of higher learning, gave for her school, the University of Dominican in the Bay area.

RUFFO ESPINOSA gave a twenty for UCLA and for his favorite school the Oregon Ducks. DEBBIE SCHEIBEL gave to promote the Soles for Souls charity which collects used shoes and sends them to Haiti. RICH TRUJILLO gave, wondering at the process of the getting clothes to the Haitians. TONY ARMAS gave a happy dollar. Lt. Governor GEORGE HALLAK gave, happy to be here. He took the opportunity to warn us of the many scams that come to the front when disaster strikes. He added that there is a Kiwanis Club in Puerto-Prince.

ART LESLIE gave for the upcoming State of the Union speech coming up tonight. JOHN TOVAR gave for Reed's anniversary. He gave another to show his pride for his school. They and other area high schoolers collected over \$4500 to send to Haiti. He gave again for the snow in Big Bear, but most especially for his son doing the digging out of the driveway. Dr. JERRY ROODZANT gave for his mother celebrating her 94th birthday and for our guests.

Duck Race

DEBBIE SCHEIBEL reports that the "Adoption Papers" are at the printers and will be available by the end of the month. Meetings are being held to get all interested parties working to sell Adoption Papers. There was a meeting held this past Monday evening which will be reported in next week's issue

Chamber Expo

AMY SCHEIBEL says that the Chamber Expo will be held on February 11 and that we will have a booth. Help was solicited to man the booth.

4-La Mirada Kids Carnival

The 4-La Mirada Kids Carnival will be held the weekend of April 23. We have once been invited to work at various locations. It has been a success for those groups serving the youth of La Mirada. Be sure and sign up to work.

Maddi's Closet Recognized for its Charitable Work

The Childrens Center for Cancer and Blood Diseases just released their Honor Roll of Donors for those making donations from January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2009. They broke the donors into various categories, depending on the total amount of their donations.

Maddi's Closet was recognized in the \$100,000 to \$500, 000 range. We salute Maddi's Closet for its great efforts.



The Fire Truck signals a Kiwanis Event.

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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. Elect DEBBIE SCHEIBEL

Kiwanis La Mirada

Legend:

Board Meeting 

Today's Date 

Evening Meeting 

February 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
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March 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Announcements

February 4-Evening Meeting

February 11-Bingo at Imperial

February 18-Bingo at Mirada Hills

March 6- Pancake Breakfast

April 3 Duck Race

April 22-25 4-La Mirada Kids Carnival

Birthdays: Feb. 9-Pastor JACK MIRANDA, Feb 13-GEORGE OROZCO

Visitors: Harriette Peebler, Lt. Gov. GEORGE HALLAK, Pastor John, guest of Pastor Jack

Anniversary: Feb. 13-Oscar Diaz, Feb. 17-BILL DAWSON

50/50 Drawing was won by PAT RUIZ and donated to the Haiti 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